

Clark County 4-H Weekly Update Feb. 16, 2024

Clark County 4-H Families and Volunteers:

2024 Clark County 4-H Kick-Off

Wednesday, February 28, 2024

5:30 PM to 8 PM

Clark County Fairgrounds, Annex and Complex

Join us for 30 Hands-On Activities...Enjoy

- Tie Dye a Drawstring Bag for Your 4-H Travels
- Make Cowhide Keychains
- Learn First Aid & Assemble a Mini First Aid Kit
- Photo Booth Shoot with Props, Instant Photos, DIY Frames
- Cookie Decorating Challenge
- Dippin Dots and Fruit Smoothies
- Fly Drones and Code Spheros
- Test Your Sharp Shooter Skills
- Discover 4-H animals and plants up close and personal
- Participate in Games, Make & Take Crafts and More!

COLLEGE of FOOD, AGRICULTURAL, and ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES CFAES

Join Us for a fun night filled with Hands-On Activities

- Discovering 4-H projects up close and personal
- Enjoy great door prizes and food!
- Participate in Games, Make & Take Crafts and More!

Event is Free

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28 February 2024

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Clark County Fairgrounds - Annex Building

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You Can Also...

- **Purchase 4-H project books at the Kick-Off.** To guarantee you get the project books you need, send an email to patterson.1332@osu.edu or newman.221@osu.edu by noon on February 28, so they can have your project books at the Kick-Off for you to pick up and pay for. You may pay by credit card, check or cash.
- **Pay your 4-H Activity Fees at 4-H Kick-Off.** \$25/member and \$5/cloverbud. Pay by cash or check to the Clark County 4-H Committee in the **4-H Marketplace.**
- **Bring a friend that is not currently in 4-H and receive 5 extra door prize tickets for drawings for Fair Passes, Camp Scholarships, Project Books and More.** Earn more door prize tickets for every activity you visit for more chances to win these prizes and more.
- **Enjoy food and fellowship with family, friends and your 4-H club.** Make it a 4-H club meeting too.
- **Enroll in 4-H on-line and download the 4-H app onto your phone with the help from OSU Extension staff in the Annex.** You can also pick up 4-H parent guides, family guides, project requirement guides, calendars, 4-H fundraising packets and more.

Upcoming 4-H Committee Meetings

- **Sheep Committee**, Feb. 19, 6:30 PM, Extension Office
- **Horse Committee**, Feb. 19, 7 PM, Extension Office

CFAES provides research and related educational programs to clientele on a non-discriminatory basis. For more information: <http://go.osu.edu/cfaesdiversity>. OSU Extension, Clark County and 4-H Youth Development educational programs provided with major support by the Clark County Commissioners: Melanie Flax Wilt, Lowell McGlothlin, Sasha Rittenhouse

Enroll in 4-H On-Line

Who: ALL 4-H volunteers, members and cloverbuds

When: NOW and before April 15, 2024

How: Go to <https://oh.4honline.com/>

What:

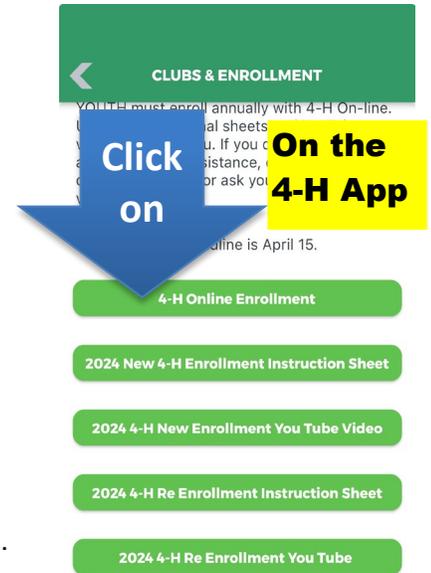
- Check to make sure your Address, E-mail and Phone Numbers are CORRECT! **Update if needed.**
- Enroll in projects and in the clubs you want to take those projects in If you are a member in multiple clubs.

Why:

- To be able to receive e-mail and text message blasts when sent.
- To be eligible to participate in 4-H Skill-a-thon and Project Judging, Clark County Fair and/or the Ohio State Fair with your projects.
- To be eligible for all 4-H opportunities, events, and awards.
- To get Fair Premium Check from the Auction when mailed.
- To have OSU match BCI background checks in the system for volunteers.

Need Help: Call **937-398-7600 Option 6** or e-mail

patterson.1332@osu.edu, newman.221@osu.edu, house.18@osu.edu



Earn Your 2024 Clark Co. 4-H Activity Fee and MORE!

4-H members may participate in the **2024 Clark County 4-H Fundraisers** to earn their 2024 4-H activity fee.

You have two different fundraising opportunities:

- **Sell Otis Spunkmeyer Frozen Cookie Dough and Other Products** – Now until April 12 – Product would be available for pick-up on May 21 - **Order Forms and Product Brochure Available from your club advisor, at the Extension Office and at the 4-H Kick-Off on Feb.28.**

You can also direct people to purchase on-line at

<https://go.osu.edu/2024clarkco4hclubschoicefundraisingclar48>

Clark Co. 4-H School Code is CLAR48

- **Sell Anthony Thomas Candy Bars** – April 12 to May 21 **Candy orders for clubs to sell due by March 29.** Go to <https://go.osu.edu/2024clarkco4hcandybardorderform> to complete for your club. New this year, you can order bags with single kind candy bars instead of mixed bar bags.

Clubs earn 10% from the fundraisers. Members earn activity fee, project book or campership coupons and potential for high seller cash awards. Sell \$100 earn activity fee and 1 project book or campership coupon (\$8 value). For each additional \$35 sold earn another project book or campership coupon (\$8 value).

4-H Calendar – Check it Out!

Don't miss any of the 4-H events, activities, or deadlines! Use the 4-H calendar on the 4-H App.

- Click on the Interactive 4-H Calendar.
- Add dates to favorites
- Add dates to your phone calendar.

The month by month calendars posted are not updated the same as the day by day interactive 4-H calendar.



Spring Beef Classic & QA**Sat., March 9, Cattle Arena, Clark Co. Fairgrounds****Who:** All 4-H and FFA beef project members**What:** Opportunity to show your market and breeding beef projects in showmanship and classes for awards.**When:** 8 AM to 9 AM – Weigh-In and Check-In**9:45 AM to 10:45 AM – QUALITY ASSURANCE – Open to any 4-H or FFA member with a marketable project regardless of species to meet the annual quality assurance requirement.**

11 AM – Showmanship

1 PM – Breeding Show followed by market steers and market heifers

Note: All scramble steers must show in the Spring Beef Classic**4-H and FFA Rabbit & Cavy Clinic & QA****Sat. March 2, Youth Bldg., Clark County Fairgrounds****Quality Assurance – 10 AM-11 AM Open** to any market livestock exhibitor that needs to complete their annual quality assurance training.**Clinic – 11 AM to Noonish:** Rabbit cages and equipment will be available for purchase. Selection, care, and health related topics will be covered as well as review of the rules. Door prizes too!**4-H Project Books will be available for purchase.** The cost for each book is listed below. Please make checks payable to OSU Extension, Clark County. If paying by cash, please have exact cash. You may also pay by credit card.

- Rabbit Book - \$8.58
- Rabbit Resource Handbook - \$18.50
- Cavy Book - \$8.58
- Cavy Resource Handbook - \$17.70

Commercial Market Hog Applications Due**Who:** Any 4-H or FFA member, age eligible to show a market hog.**What:**

- May choose to purchase and show a maximum of 2 commercial market hogs.
- **Can not SHOW MORE THAN 2 TOTAL MARKET HOGS AT THE CLARK COUNTY JR. FAIR. You CAN'T show 2 commercial market hogs and 2 other market hogs.**
- 1st year 4-H members may show 2 market hogs, one of the market hogs must be a purebred.
- New for 2024: Rate of Gain Contest
- New for 2024: Minimum fair weigh of 200 lbs., but no upper weight limit.

When:

- **March 15**– deadline to make application and pay \$150/commercial market hog
Go to <https://go.osu.edu/2024clarkcojrfaircommercialmarkethogapp>
- **April 13** – 10 AM, Swine Arena, Pick up commercial market hog(s). Selection will be a random drawing – the number selected will correspond to a pig.

Clark County Fair Book Cover Contest**What:** Hand Draw or Computer Generate a Design for the 2024 Clark County Fair Book cover**Who:** Any 4-H member may make entry**Requirements:**

- Design must be 8 ½ x 11 portrait design.
- Design brings to life the 2024 Fair Theme – **Clark Co. Fair ...Your Passport to Fun!**
- Include 2024 Clark County Fair...Your Passport for Fun! and the designer's name in the design.

Deadline: Submit entry by **March 15** to laura@clarkcoag.com or drop off to the Fair Office.**Selection:** The Clark Co. Fair Board will select the winner at their March Board meeting.**Winner:** Receives 2 Fair Passes (one 4-H member pass and one adult pass)

Want Help With Your 2024 4-H Clothing Project

4-H clothing volunteers on the Family and Consumers Sciences committee and Food and Fashion Board members have some great events planned to help you. Visit the links below to register and to learn more about these opportunities.

- **Clothing Clinics** - <https://go.osu.edu/2024clarkco4hclothingclinics>
March 10, April 29, June 30 – 3 PM to 5 PM - Attend one or all three
- **Sewing Sessions** - <https://go.osu.edu/2024clarkco4hsewingsessionsreg>
June 2, 2 PM-7 PM & June 6, 5 PM to 9 PM, Extension Office
For clothing members in their 2nd year and beyond
- **Sew Fun Camp** - <https://go.osu.edu/2024clarkco4hsewfuncamp>
June 3-5, 5:30 PM to 8:30 PM, Extension Office
For 1st year clothing members taking the Sew Fun Project

2024 Ohio State Fair Scholarships – 25 scholarships to be awarded

Who: H.S. Jr. & Sr. or graduates not older than 19 pursuing a degree at an accredited institution

When: Apply by April 1, 2024

Requirements: Must have been an active participant in the Ohio State Fair and the Clark Co. Fair.

Apply at: <https://www.ohiostatefair.com/p/get-involved/scholarships>

CLUB ADVISORS Livestock Quality Assurance Training

When: Tues., Feb. 20 **Time:** 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM

Where: Extension Office, Large Conference Room

What: Receive training on the required 2024 Livestock Quality Assurance GPP's and training materials to be able to offer youth livestock quality assurance in your clubs. All 4-H club volunteers as well as FFA instructors must utilize the Clark County Youth Livestock Quality Assurance materials that meet the Ohio requirements.

CLOVERBUD VOLUNTEER TRAINING

When: Thursday, Feb. 22 **Time:** 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM

Where: Extension Office, Large Conference Room

What: Hands-on educational materials and cloverbud curriculum to be used in your cloverbud meetings, information about the Cloverbot Challenge, Cloverbud Camp, Cloverbud Show-N-Tell and more.

REQUIRED 4-H VOLUNTEER TRAINING – FINAL ONE!

When: Thursday, Feb. 29 **Time:** 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM

Where: Extension Office, Large Conference Room

What: Annual required training for all returning 4-H volunteers that have not already attended one of the previous 8 training sessions offered!

Register at: <https://go.osu.edu/2024clarkco4hrequiredvolunteertraining>

Want to Become a Certified Shooting Sports Instructor or Add a Discipline

Who: Any current approved 4-H volunteer or any adult interested in becoming an approved 4-H volunteer

What: Attend the Spring Shooting Sports Instructor Training

When: April 5-7, 2024 **Where:** Canter's Cave Camp, Jackson, Ohio

Cost: \$110/person

Registration Required by: **March 5** Go to https://osu.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6rILXLW1RJNtljw

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