



THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY
EXTENSION



The Clover Communique

Champaign County

February 9, 2024



ENROLLMENT DEADLINE MARCH 31st

4H ONLINE ENROLLMENT OPEN

Enrollments are now open for 2024. If you are a returning member, sign into your existing account. If you don't remember your username or password, please DO NOT create a new account, contact the Extension Office. Your user-name is your email in which you receive information from Extension Office. If you don't remember your password, you can call the office or click on reset password. If your email changed and you want the user-name changed, contact the office, DO NOT create new account. FFA members, if you were previously in 4-H, DO NOT create a new account. Call or email and we will have to take you out of being archived. Enrollment steps and tips:

1. [CLICK HERE](#) to go to sign on page.
2. Select member to enroll and click "Enroll Now"
3. Check information rolled over from last year is still correct.
4. If changing Clubs, select new club and delete old if not longer going to be in it. NEW: if you are in 4-H and FFA, be sure to select your FFA chapter as well as your 4-H Club. Select your project from Family Guide. If are taking an animal project, [CLICK HERE](#) for a Help Sheet in selecting correct project number. If you are in more than one club or in 4-H and FFA, make sure you get the correct projects in the correct club/chapter.

There will be an open session on March 9th 10am-noon for anyone needing assistance with enrollments.

If you would like me to come to your club meeting to help with enrollments, please contact me at ryan.1608@osu.edu or 937-772-6018

DID YOU KNOW?

Your club can earn \$50 by becoming a 2024 4-H Honor Club. Organizational Advisor received the form in club organizational packet.

The 4-H Motto is
"To Make the
Best Better"
Challenge
Yourself in
2024 and set a
4-H goal.

Each year a member can earn a
BRONZE, SILVER, or GOLD
"EXTREME" HONOR MEMBER
AWARD.
[Click here for form.](#)



Champaign County 2024 Easter Egg Hunt

March 30, 2024



SPONSORED BY 4-H YOUTH BOARD

At The Champaign County Fairgrounds

Please Bring Your Own Basket or Bags

Check-in by bleachers at horse arena

Organizing in Groups will start at 10:45

Hunt Starts at 11:00am

Enter Fairgrounds from Powell Ave. Event will take place in various parts of the Horse area of the fairgrounds by age groups.

1-2 years old 3-4 years old 5-6 years old 7-9 years old 10-11 years old



Scholarships Available

Seniors check out the A.B. Graham Scholarship and Todd Conrad Scholarship opportunities. [Click here for more details and applications:](#) Scholarships are at the bottom of the linked page. Matt Calland Scholarship will be coming soon.

Swine Information

Market Swine Change

The farrowing date for market swine has been changed to match state fair. Purebred market swine must be farrowed after November 1st. Crossbreds do not have a farrowing age limit for 2024 show season.

Beef Information

Beef Feeder Changes

NEW: Heifers may show either in the beef feeder show or in the heifer show. Member will need to choose which show they want to participate by July 1 when you do fair entries. Exhibitors may not show the same heifer in both the feeder show and the heifer show.

Advisor Information

NEW VOLUNTEERS

Deadline February 15, 2024

New Advisor applications are available on the website and at the Extension Office. New Volunteers will need to attend one of the New Volunteer Trainings.. New Volunteers are welcome to attend the returning advisor trainings and updates as well but not required. PLEASE RSVP for the trainings you plan to attend.

New Volunteer Training Dates: February 20th at 10am or 6pm

March 14th at 10am or 6pm

Once we receive your references back, I will be contacting each of you to schedule your new volunteer interview.



Advisor Reminders

- When enrolling in 4-Honline DO NOT SELECT ANY PROJECTS. Only members take projects. You should only select COP-Adults if it requires you enter a project.
- Deadline for all registrations – March 31st.
- Notify the office of any project changes.
- Be sure to cover the material with your members that was covered in advisor training.
- All clubs must have a checking account to be a club. NO Exceptions per Ohio 4-H.

4-H Membership Dues

County membership dues remain at \$25 per year for all members including cloverbuds. Dues are payable to the club and the club writes one check or money order from their club checking account to the Champaign County 4-H Committee for all members. If a member is in more than one club, they only pay in their primary club. Dues are to be turned in no later than April 1, 2024 BY THE CLUB ADVISOR. If there is a hardship case or you have questions, contact Melinda Ryan, 4-H Educator.

Shooting Sports Information

Skillathon

Any shooting sports members are welcome to attend the Skillathon on June 9, 2024 from 5pm-6pm at Archery Park just outside Urbana. This is great practice for judging. All clubs with shooting sports members are welcome. For more information, contact Ken McCabe.

Goat Information

Changes for 2024

- Market Goats will weigh in first on Friday of the fair.
- Pygmy Goat Show followed by Dairy Goat Show followed by Pygmy and Dairy Goat Showmanship will be the 1st Friday of fair starting at 8am.
- Market Goat Showmanship followed by Production Showmanship followed by Overall Goat Showman will begin on the 1st Friday of fair beginning at 12pm.
- PeeWee Goat showmanship will be 2pm on Saturday of fair.
- Dress-a-Goat will begin at 12:00pm on Monday

Sheep Information

Changes for 2024

- Sheep will weigh in after goats on Friday of fair.
- Sheep show will begin at 3:00pm on Monday
- Wether Dam Class will bring top 3 in each class back for Division Champions
- Market classes will bring back top 3 in each class for Division Champions
- Wether Dam ID must be submitted by May 15th in 4Honline.
- NO HORNS on Pygmy or Dairy or Market class

General 4-H Information

Changes for 2024

- All animal projects must complete a book. Advisors have details they should be sharing at meetings.
- Books must be turned in at skillathon. Book awards will be given.
- There will be no interviews during skillathon this year.
- All animal project ID information must be entered in 4Honline by May 15th. Swine will still need to turn in paper picture ID's

New for 2024

- There will be an overall skillathon champion awarded at the King of the Ring. Members can take as many skillathons as they choose. They do not have to be enrolled in the project to take the skillathon to compete for Overall Skillathon Champion. A champion will be awarded for 3 levels – Junior, Intermediate and Senior.
- There will be an interview contest for each age division. This is optional but a great opportunity to win another type of award and gain valuable life skills for college and future jobs. Deadline to sign up for interviews will be June 1. Interviews will be held same week as judging and skillathons. Those participating will receive a time for their interview when they sign up. More details forthcoming.

Non-Livestock Project Information

Reminders/ Changes for 2024

- All clubs with non-livestock projects must have a booth at the fair. A theme will be announced when it is selected. If a club only has cloverbuds, they can choose to do a club booth or display in an area designated for the cloverbuds.
- Activities Building tear down will be from 9am – 1pm the last Friday of the Fair.

Horse Project Information

Reminders/ Changes for 2024

- Equistep is open and must be completed no later than June 1, 2024. Go to website horse.osu.edu for more details and sign-in
- Gymkana and Roping Books are new and available.
- Horse Rule Books have been ordered.
- Body score cards will be distributed at next horse advisors meeting. One card per member or family.

Poultry Information

Market Duck and Market Turkey Order forms

If a member is planning to take a market duck or market turkey project, those must be ordered through the Poultry Council. Here is the link to the forms:

[Market Duck Form Click Here](#)

[Market Turkey Form Click Here](#)

Dairy Information

Dairy Steer and Dairy Feeder Changes for 2024

- Dairy Feeder followed by Dairy Steer Showmanship will begin at 5pm on the first Friday of Fair.



STEPS IN COMPLETING YOUR PROJECT and ELIGIBILITY FOR COUNTY and STATE FAIR



Completing all steps, making deadlines, and being in good standing makes you eligible for participation in county or state fair.



Above are the minimum steps of being a part of 4-H. There are many more opportunities:

- ✿ Join a County Jr. Specie Council (most groups start in January- not to late to join this year)
- ✿ Attend 4-H Camp (Registrations available in April – due by June 1)
- ✿ Be a Camp Counselor (selections are done in October)
- ✿ Apply for Junior Fair Board (selections done in November)
- ✿ Apply for 4-H Youth Board (selections done in October)
- ✿ Apply for Food & Fashion Board (selections in the November)
- ✿ Apply for scholarships.
- ✿ Participate in state-wide 4-H activities and events.
- ✿ Complete 4-H Achievement Form and win a FREE trip to National 4-H Conference in Atlanta, GA and have your picture displayed in Ohio 4-H Center for a year.
- ✿ Gain life skills you won't get anywhere else. 4-H is FOREVER.

Wishing our Members and Advisors a Happy February Birthday

Jay	Gehres	Lauren	Donohoe	Ashley	Howell
Cale	Hall	Trey	Sparks	Elijah	Cayten
Averee	Cavanaugh	Bayleigh	Deam	Austin	Puckett
Mason	Hinds	Olivia	Bowers	Christina	Oelker
Makena	Harless	Griffin	Kimball	Charli	Ankrom
Maliah	Harless	Shana Marie	Feasel	Kenneth	McCabe
Emorie	Tatman	McKenzie	Karg	Carol	Hunter
Aleigha	Ebert	Timothy	Chipp	Shawn	Truesdale
Katherine	Hoskinson	Lyla	Pack	Grace	Tyler
Shonda	Hoops	Uriah	Clarkson	Ava	Phillips
Ann	Sowers	Kenneth	Ford	Hannah	Argabright
Madeline	Fernandez	Jacob	Haser	Harper	Myers
Halle	Funderburgh	Malionna	Karg	Clayton	Maxson
Sarah	Huffman	Ella	Bahan	Jennifer	Wright
Kerri	Ritchie	Lexi	Bowers	Colton	Randall
Jeannie	Nesbitt	Isabelle	Nelson	Silas	Shearer
Nathan	Crisler	Melanie	MacRae	Terry	Sowers
Mia	Conley	Hayley	Hanson	Paysley	Wesson
Tucker	Spriggs	Coraline	Underwood	PIPER	ANDERSON
Megan	Arthur	Landon	Prickett	Morgan	Sollenberger
Erin	Morris	Elizabeth	FRIIS	Landree	Powell
Reagan	Winters	Molly	Carroll	Angie	Thomas
zachary	hofman	Broderick	MacRae		
Landon	Hoops	Samuel	Lamb		
Ainsley	Drexler	Peyton	Shroyer		
Shawna	Bentz	Dillan	Maurice		
David	Patrick III	Jaxon	Hall		
Ella	Conley	Shae	Conrad		
Harley	Linton	Ellie	Titus		
Clara	Forrest	Xavier	Garcia		
Ava	Ream	Evie	Jackson		
Lydia	Breon	Jorden	Hillman		
		Adler	Perry		
		Jill	Titus		
		Gwyneth	Uhl		
		Hailey	Sparks		
		Kolbie	Crowder		
		Tucker	Tatman		
		Kelly	Huffman		





2024 Important Dates

Date	Event Name	Time	Location
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2024

February

02/12/24	FCS Meeting	6:30pm	Auditorium
02/14/24	Jr Goat Council Meeting	6pm	Room B
02/14/24	Sr Horse Advisors Meeting	6pm	Auditorium
02/14/24	Jr Horse Council Meeting	7pm	Room B
02/14/24	Sr Goat Council Meeting	7pm	Auditorium
02/15/24	NEW Advisor Applications Due	-	-
02/18/24	Horse Tack Swap	9am	Fairgrounds
02/20/24	Cloverbud Advisor Training	9am	Auditorium
02/20/24	NEW Advisor Training	10am	Auditorium
02/20/24	Cloverbud Advisor Training	5pm	Auditorium
02/20/24	NEW Advisor Training	6pm	Auditorium
02/28/24	Camp Counselor Training	6-8pm	Auditorium
3/2 - 3/3	Flea Market Weekend	-	Fairgrounds
03/04/24	Jr Rabbit/Cavy Council Meeting	6pm	Room B
03/04/24	Sr Rabbit/Cavy Council Meeting	7pm	Room B
03/05/24	4-H Project Exploration	5pm	Auditorium
03/05/24	Sheepman's Association Meeting	6pm	Room B
03/07/24	Fairboard Meeting	7pm	Fairgrounds
03/09/24	4HOnline Enrollment Training	10am	Auditorium
03/11/24	FCS Meeting	6:30pm	Room C
03/11/24	Dairy Council Meeting	7pm	Auditorium
03/12/24	4-H Project Exploration	5pm	Auditorium
03/12/24	Jr Poultry Council Meeting	6pm	Room B
03/12/24	Sr Poultry Council Meeting	7pm	Room B
03/13/24	Jr Goat Council Meeting	6pm	Room B
03/13/24	Sr Horse Advisors Meeting	6pm	Auditorium
03/13/24	Jr Horse Council Meeting	7pm	Room B
03/13/24	Sr Goat Council Meeting	7pm	Auditorium

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03/14/24	Cloverbud Advisor Training	9am	Auditorium
03/14/24	NEW Advisor Training	10am	Auditorium
03/14/24	Cloverbud Advisor Training	5pm	Auditorium
03/14/24	NEW Advisor Training	6pm	Auditorium
03/18/24	4-H Committee Meeting	5:30pm	Room B
03/18/24	New 4-H Family Orientation RSVP	6pm	Auditorium
03/19/24	4-H Project Exploration	5pm	Auditorium
03/26/24	4-H Project Exploration	5pm	Auditorium
03/28/24	Camp Counselors Training	6-8pm	Auditorium
03/30/24	Easter Egg Hunt (ages 1-11)	9am	Fairgrounds
03/31/24	4-H Enrollment Deadline	-	-
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04/01/24	Quality Assurance Training	6pm	Auditorium
04/01/24	Jr Rabbit/Cavy Council Meeting	6pm	Room B
04/01/24	Sr Rabbit/Cavy Council Meeting	7pm	Room B
04/04/24	Fairboard Meeting	7pm	Fairgrounds
4/6 - 4/7	Flea Market Weekend	-	Fairgrounds
04/10/24	Jr Goat Council Meeting	6pm	Room B
04/10/24	Sr Horse Advisors Meeting	6pm	Auditorium
04/10/24	Jr Horse Council Meeting	7pm	Room B
04/10/24	Sr Goat Council Meeting	7pm	Auditorium
04/13/24	Poultry Clinic & QA Training	9am	Fairgrounds
04/14/24	Lamb Clinic	10am	Fairgrounds
04/15/24	FCS Meeting	6:30pm	Auditorium
04/18/24	Quality Assurance Training	6pm	Auditorium
04/20/24	Scramble Pig Selection	8-9am	Fairgrounds
04/20/24	Performance Pig Weigh-In	9am-12pm	Fairgrounds
04/20/24	Rabbit/Cavy Clinic & QA Training	9:30-11:30am	Auditorium
4/20 - 4/21	Camp Counselor Training	4:30pm-1:00pm	Camp Clifton
May			
05/01/24	Animals in Possession of Exhibitors	-	-
05/01/24	Market Goat & Sheep Tag-In	5-7pm	Fairgrounds
05/02/24	Fairboard Meeting	7pm	Fairgrounds
5/4 / 5/5	Flea Market Weekend	-	Fairgrounds
05/06/24	Jr Rabbit/Cavy Council Meeting	6pm	Room B
05/06/24	Sr Rabbit/Cavy Council Meeting	7pm	Room B
05/07/24	Sheepman's Association Meeting	6pm	Auditorium
05/07/24	Jr Goat Council Meeting	6pm	Room B
05/07/24	Sr Horse Advisors Meeting	6pm	Auditorium
05/08/24	Jr Horse Council Meeting	7pm	Room B
05/08/24	Sr Goat Council Meeting	7pm	Auditorium

Date	Event Name	Time	Location
05/11/24	Dairy Feeder Weigh-In	9-11am	Fairgrounds
05/11/24	Spring Rabbit Show	8am-5pm	Rabbit Barn
05/13/24	Dairy Council Meeting	7pm	Auditorium
05/14/24	Jr Poultry Council Meeting	6pm	Room B
05/14/24	Camp Counselors Training	6-8pm	Auditorium
05/14/24	Sr Poultry Council Meeting	7pm	Room B
05/15/24	Animal ID Forms Deadline	-	-
05/16/24	Quality Assurance Training	6pm	Auditorium
05/20/24	4-H Committee Meeting	5:30pm	Auditorium
05/21/24	Quality Assurance Training	6pm	Auditorium
05/27/24	Extension Office Closed	-	-
June			
06/01/24	Quality Assurance/Equistep Deadline	-	-
6/1 - 6/2	Flea Market Weekend	-	Fairgrounds
6/03/24	FCS Meeting	6pm	Auditorium
06/03/24	Jr Rabbit/Cavy Council Meeting	6pm	Room B
06/03/24	Sr Rabbit/Cavy Council Meeting	7pm	Room B
06/06/24	Fairboard Meeting	7pm	Fairgrounds
06/08/24	Showmanship Clinics (except horse)	9am-3pm	Fairgrounds
06/08/24	PAS Horse Show	8am	Fairgrounds
06/10/24	Dairy Council Meeting	7pm	Auditorium
6/10 - 6/13	Non-Livestock Project Clinics	5-7pm	Fairgrounds
06/12/24	Jr Goat Council Meeting	6pm	Room B
06/12/24	Sr Horse Advisors Meeting	6pm	Auditorium
06/12/24	Jr Horse Council Meeting	7pm	Room B
06/12/24	Sr Goat Council Meeting	7pm	Auditorium
06/14/24	Discovery Day Camp	TBA	Fairgrounds
06/17/24	Camp Counselors Packing Preparation	10am-5pm	Auditorium
06/17/24	4-H Committee Meeting	5:30pm	Room B
06/18/24	Camp Counselors Training	5:30-8pm	Auditorium
06/19/24	Extension Office Closed	-	-
06/20/24	Health & Safety Public Speaking Contest	6pm	Auditorium
6/23 - 6/27	4-H Camp	-	Camp Clifton

Date	Event Name	Time	Location
July			
07/01/24	Skillathon Checkout Cutoff	-	-
07/01/24	Jr Rabbit/Cavy Council Meeting	6pm	Room B
07/01/24	Sr Rabbit/Cavy Council Meeting	7pm	Room B
07/02/24	Sheepman's Association Meeting	6pm	Auditorium
07/04/24	Extension Office Closed	-	-
7/6 - 7/7	Flea Market Weekend	-	Fairgrounds
07/08/24	Dairy Council Meeting	7pm	Auditorium
07/09/24	Non-Livestock Mock Project Judging	5-7pm	Fairgrounds
7/9 - 7/10	Open Skillathon Practice Hours	10am-7pm	Auditorium
07/09/24	Jr Poultry Council Meeting	6pm	Room B
07/09/24	Sr Poultry Council Meeting	7pm	Room B
07/10/24	Jr Goat Council Meeting	6pm	Room B
07/10/24	Sr Horse Advisors Meeting	6pm	Auditorium
07/10/24	Jr Horse Council Meeting	7pm	Room B
07/10/24	Sr Goat Council Meeting	7pm	Auditorium
7/10 - 7/13	Non-Livestock Project Judging	TBA	Fairgrounds
7/11 - 7/12	Animal Skillathons (walk-in this year)	8am-8pm	Auditorium
7/11 - 7/12	4-H Interview Contests	4-7pm	Room B
07/14/24	Cavy Skillathon, Poster, Royalty Contests	5pm	Fairgrounds
07/15/24	Cloverbud Camp	TBA	Camp Clifton
07/15/24	4-H Committee Meeting	7pm	Auditorium
07/22/24	4-H Boy & Girl of Year Interviews	4pm	Room B
07/24/24	Non-Livestock Post Judging	TBA	Auditorium
07/24/24	Ohio State Fair Begins	-	-
07/31/24	4-H Booth Setup	4-9pm	Fairgrounds

Date	Event Name	Time	Location
August			
08/01/24	4-H Booth Setup	9am-2pm	Fairgrounds
8/2 - 8/9	2024 Champaign County Fair	-	-
September			
09/02/24	Extension Office Closed	-	-
09/03/24	Sheepman's Association Meeting	6pm	Auditorium
09/05/24	Fairboard Meeting	7pm	Fairgrounds
9/7 - 9/8	Flea Market Weekend	-	Fairgrounds
09/09/24	Jr Rabbit/Cavy Council Meeting	6pm	Room B
09/09/24	FCS Meeting	6:30pm	Room C
09/09/24	Sr Rabbit/Cavy Council Meeting	7pm	Room B
09/09/24	Dairy Council Meeting	7pm	Auditorium
09/10/24	Jr Poultry Council Meeting	6pm	Room B
09/10/24	Sr Poultry Council Meeting	7pm	Room B
09/11/24	Jr Goat Council Meeting	6pm	Room B
09/11/24	Sr Horse Advisors Meeting	6pm	Auditorium
09/11/24	Jr Horse Council Meeting	7pm	Room B
09/11/24	Sr Goat Council Meeting	7pm	Auditorium
09/16/24	4-H Committee Meeting	5:30pm	Auditorium
October			
10/03/24	Fairboard Meeting	7pm	Fairgrounds
10/5 - 10/6	Flea Market Weekend	-	-
10/07/24	Jr Rabbit/Cavy Council Meeting	6pm	Room B
10/07/24	Sr Rabbit/Cavy Council Meeting	7pm	Room B
10/09/24	Jr Goat Council Meeting	6pm	Room B
10/09/24	Sr Horse Advisors Meeting	6pm	Auditorium
10/09/24	Jr Horse Council Meeting	7pm	Room B
10/09/24	Sr Goat Council Meeting	7pm	Auditorium
10/14/24	FCS Meeting	6:30pm	Room C
10/14/24	Dairy Council Meeting	7pm	Auditorium
10/21/24	4-H Committee Meeting	5:30pm	Auditorium
November			
11/2 - 11/3	Flea Market Weekend	-	Fairgrounds
11/04/24	Jr Rabbit/Cavy Council Meeting	6pm	Room B
11/04/24	Sr Rabbit/Cavy Council Meeting	7pm	Room B
11/05/24	Sheepman's Association Meeting	6pm	Room B
11/07/24	Fairboard Meeting	7pm	Fairgrounds
11/11/24	Extension Office Closed	-	-
11/12/24	Jr Poultry Council Meeting	6pm	Room B
11/12/24	Sr Poultry Council Meeting	7pm	Room B

Date	Event Name	Time	Location
November			
11/13/24	Jr Goat Council Meeting	6pm	Room B
11/13/24	Sr Goat Council Meeting	7pm	Auditorium
11/28 - 11/29	Extension Office Closed	-	-
December			
12/02/24	Jr Rabbit/Cavy Council Meeting	6pm	Room B
12/02/24	Sr Rabbit/Cavy Council Meeting	7pm	Room B
12/05/24	Fairboard Meeting	7pm	Fairgrounds
12/7 - 12/8	Flea Market Weekend	-	Fairgrounds
12/14/24	Dairy/Beef Steer Weigh-In	9am-12pm	Fairgrounds
12/24 - 12/25	Extension Office Closed	-	-

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