



Connections

Jackson County 4-H Newsletter

March 2024

A Note from Maddie:

Dear Jackson County 4-H Families,

Happy March!

I invite you all to celebrate Ohio 4-H Week with us, March 3rd-9th, by participating in our many social media posts. Don't forget to wear your 4-H clovers to work or school! I hope to see many of you wearing your 4-H green to work or school for Saint Patrick's Day! Don't forget to tag us in your photos if you do, we love to see it!

4-H Enrollments are due on April 1st, so please encourage your friends and family to join in on the fun and join 4-H this month!

We have so many things to be excited for this month, and so many shoutouts to extend to our kiddos for the awesome 4-H project work they are doing. Check out the newsletter for shoutouts of our awesome 4-H members!

I hope to see you all at the Spring Project Fair and 4-H Open House, happening on

Thursday, March 7th from 5:30-7:30 PM at the Jackson County Fairgrounds. You won't want to miss this awesome event. Invite your friends to learn more about different 4-H projects and opportunities. We will have games, food, live animals, and more. Please support this event as we seek to grow our 4-H program!

This newsletter contains important information about upcoming deadlines and events. Please read the newsletter in its entirety so you don't miss out! Please reach out with any questions. We are here to help!

Yours in 4-H,

Maddie Allman

Maddie Allman
Extension Educator,
4-H Youth Development
OSU Extension Jackson County



February Recap

Teen Winter Retreat

Several teens from Jackson County and the surrounding area had a blast at Canter's Cave 4-H Camp the first weekend of February. They practiced their teambuilding, leadership, and communication skills throughout the weekend, all while making new friendships and creating new 4-H memories.



Several 4-H members spoke to their schools this month about joining 4-H! We are so proud of these future leaders!

4-H Members promote 4-H enrollment at their Schools



Coleson Smalley, Corn Fed Crew 4-H Club



Linden Lewis, Barnyard Rascals 4-H Club



Hadley & McKenlee Carper, Barnyard Rascals 4-H Club



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Open House!



DATE:

Thursday, March 7, 2024

TIME:

5:30 PM – 7:30 PM

LOCATION:

Jackson County Fairgrounds
96 Meadow Run Rd,
Wellston, OH 45692

COST:

FREE!

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Jackson County 4-H Presents...

Spring Project Fair & 4-H Open House

Visit the Jackson County 4-H Spring Project Fair and Open House to learn more about 4-H! 4-H is much more than cows and plows. Check out what Jackson County 4-H is doing youth in your area. Open to all youth ages 5-18, grades K-12.

Food, games, and prizes available for all youth that attend. Project displays, including live animals, crafts, and more. **Join the fun and join 4-H!**

For more information, visit jackson.osu.edu

Thank You to the Jackson County Community Fund for their support of this event!



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March 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 4-H Scholarship Applications Due 4-H Club Reporting Packets Due	2
3	4 Royalty Application Training @ 6:00 PM, Extension Office	5	6 QA Clinic at ParksEdge @ 6:00 PM *Pre- Registration Required	7 4-H Open House 5:30- 7:30 PM at Fairgrounds	8	9 Ohio 4-H Conference (Columbus)
10	11 4-H Advisory Council Meeting @ 6:00 PM Livestock Committee Meeting @ 7:00 PM	12	13	14 Junior Fair Board meeting @ 6:00 PM Camp Counselor Training @ 7:00 PM	15	16
17	18	19 Horse Committee Meeting @ 6:00 PM	20	21 Royalty Applications Due to Extension Office @ 4:30 PM EquiSTEP Training 6-8 PM @ Fairgrounds	22	23 CCU Training <u>Canter's Cave</u>
24 CCU Training <u>Canter's Cave</u>	25 Royalty Mandatory Meeting @ 6:00 PM, Extension Office	26	27	28 Royalty Mandatory Meeting @ 6:00 PM, Extension Office	29	30
31	1 4-H Enrollment Deadline!!! 					

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Calendar Updated 2/29/2024

Celebrating Ohio 4-H Week

March 3-9, 2024

Celebrate Ohio 4-H Week with Us!

Join us March 3-9, 2024, for a week of celebration as we recognize our members, volunteers, professionals, and supporters who bring Jackson County 4-H programming to life. Starting Sunday, March 3, we invite our 4-H families, alumni, and friends to join us in our daily social media challenges.

This year, we have daily themes:

Sunday – give a shout-out to a fantastic 4-H volunteer!

Monday – encourage someone in the community to get their family involved in 4-H

Tuesday – wear your 4-H green with pride.

Wednesday – tell us why you give to 4-H.

Thursday – let us know who you're thankful for in Ohio 4-H

Friday – share your favorite things about 4-H with us!

Saturday – celebrate 4-H making the best better by letting us know why you love 4-H

Completing your online enrollment for the 2024 4-H program year is another way you can get in the spirit of Ohio 4-H Week! Through 4-H, youth participate in hands-on, experiential learning activities that help them grow into caring, competent, confident leaders of tomorrow, all while having fun and forming friendships that will last a lifetime!



To learn more about how to get started in 4-H, visit jackson.osu.edu. There, you can find information about the various community clubs in Jackson County and learn how to select a project. Enrollment can be completed on 4-H Online through April 1st. Please contact Maddie Allman at allman.68@osu.edu or (740) 286-5044 with any questions.

Finally, don't forget to show your support for Jackson County 4-H by making a gift to our 4-H Endowment fund at <https://www.giveto.osu.edu/makeagift/details/60341>. All donations directly support Jackson County 4-H programming that inspires curiosity, fuels adventure, and builds lifelong skills to grow tomorrow's leaders today.





Ohio

4-H Week



SUNDAY

Super Supporter Sunday

MONDAY

4-H Member Monday

TUESDAY

Turn it Green Tuesday

WEDNESDAY

Why 4-H Wednesday

THURSDAY

Thankful Thursday

FRIDAY

4-H Favorites Friday

SATURDAY

Celebrate Saturday

Join us March 3-9!

Teen Opportunities

Awards, Scholarships, Leadership Opportunities & More!



Awards & Scholarships

Ohio 4-H Achievement Record

The deadline for Ohio 4-H Achievement Awards has passed. Check back next year!

Jackson County 4-H Scholarships

Submit your Scholarship Application to allman.68@osu.edu by **March 1st** to be considered for county 4-H scholarships.

Applications can be found online at go.osu.edu/Jackson4HTeens.

DUE MARCH 1ST

GRADUATING SENIORS MUST APPLY!

JACKSON COUNTY 4-H SCHOLARSHIPS

Applications (Word & PDF) can be found online at jackson.osu.edu. Scholarship applications are due March 1st, 2024. Questions? Contact Maddie Allman at Allman.68@osu.edu | (740) 286-5044

[GO.OSU.EDU/JACKSON4HTEENS](https://go.osu.edu/Jackson4HTeens)

Stay Connected with 4-H!



Stay connected with 4-H by following these social media pages:



@ JacksonCoExtension

@ Jackson County Livestock Committee

@ CantersCave4hCamp

@ Canter's Cave 4-H Alumni

@ Jackson County 4-H Horse Program

@ Ohio 4-H Youth Development

@ Ohio 4-H Foundation Board

@ Collegiate 4-H at The Ohio State University

@ 4-H



@ OSUEJackson

@ national4h

@ collegiate4hosu

@ CantersCave4hCamp



@OSUEExtensionJacksonCounty



Graduating Seniors! Order your 4-H Graduation Chords by April 1st!

Visit go.osu.edu/JacksonSeniors
to order!



Any Jackson County 4-H graduating senior who has completed at least 4 years in the 4-H program are eligible for a FREE 4-H graduation chord to wear at their school's graduation ceremony & a senior board to display at the county fair.

Youth who order a graduation chord will also be featured on our social media pages and in the newsletter!

Submit Your 2024 Jackson County Junior Fair Theme Suggestions!



Submissions due by April 15th!

Submit your theme idea at go.osu.edu/JacksonFairTheme

- ☐ Themes must be 5 words and include the word “4-H”
- ☐ Entries should be submitted by 4-H members who are at least age 8 and in the 3rd grade (as of January 1st). No Cloverbuds may enter suggestions (due to the competition factor).
- ☐ All themes must be submitted online through this submission form.
- ☐ The winning theme will be used for the 2024 Jackson County Fair on the Fair Book cover, club booths, and will be featured on the Friday Junior Fair Board shirts. The winner will receive a free t-shirt featuring their winning theme.



Youth Quality Assurance Training



Pre-Register at
go.osu.edu/JacksonQAReg

Any youth member planning to exhibit a market animal at the Jackson County Junior Fair is **REQUIRED** to complete annual Quality Assurance Training.


Please pre-register for a QA session below. More information about QA, including other opportunities to complete the requirement, can be found at go.osu.edu/AnimalProjects.

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TRAINING

FEBRUARY 08	7:00 PM	QA TEST OUT @ EXTENSION OFFICE <i>*Must be 15 or older*</i>
MARCH 06	6:00 PM	@ PARKEDGE EVENT CENTER <i>*Limited to 150 people*</i>
APRIL 06	10:00 AM	@ EXTENSION OFFICE
MAY 01	6:00 PM	@ EXTENSION OFFICE
MAY 23	4:30 PM	MAKEUP TRAINING \$10.00 FEE

All exhibitors **MUST** Pre-Register at
go.osu.edu/JacksonQAReg



TIME IS TICKING!

ENROLL BY
APRIL 1st



4HONLINE.COM



Jackson County Junior Fair Royalty

Apply to be on the 2024 Jackson County Junior Fair Royalty Court! Head to go.osu.edu/FairQueens to download the applications. Applications are due to the Extension Office by 4:30 PM on Thursday, March 21st.

Important Royalty dates to add to your Calendar:

- March 4th, 6:00 PM – Application Training @ Extension Office.
- March 21st, 4:30 PM – ALL Royalty applications due to Extension Office by 4:30 PM. NO exceptions. You may turn it in before deadline.
- March 25th, 6:00 PM – Mandatory Meeting @ Extension Office.
- March 28th, 6:00 PM – Interview & Contest Practice @ Extension Office.
- April 3rd, 6:00 PM – Interview & Contest Practice @ ParksEdge.
- April 6th – Royalty Interviews @ ParksEdge Event Center.
- April 6th – Royalty Contest @ ParksEdge Event Center.
- April 11th – Contract Signing of Winners

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JUNIOR FAIR ROYALTY



APPLY BY: MARCH 21



jackson.osu.edu

under the Jackson County Fair tab



Congratulations Cole Callahan!

Recipient of the United States Presidential Gold Medal for Community Service



Cole Callahan, member of the Ridge Runners 4-H Club of Jackson County, received the United States Presidential Gold Medal for Community Service earlier this year. Cole completed over 500 Community Service Hours, most of which were completed through 4-H and Junior Fair activities.

Presenting him with the award was Susan Rogers, a Jackson County 4-H Volunteer.

This is an outstanding honor, and we could not be prouder of Cole and his achievement.

Let us all congratulate Cole for this honor!

Check out the 4-H Calendar!



Visit the 4-H Calendar page on the Jackson.osu.edu website for THREE downloadable options for 4-H Dates and Deadlines!

Find the Printable 4-H Calendar online now! Keep track of your family's own events using our printable 4-H calendar, showcasing a month-by-month breakdown of what's happening in Jackson County 4-H!

You can also download the important dates page, for an at-a-glance of the important dates by topic. Need to know when QA is? What about camp? Check out the at-a-glance page for that information!

Finally, you can download the historic Jackson County Dates page that includes livestock information.

Visit Jackson.osu.edu → 4-H Youth Development → 4-H Calendar for more information!





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JOIN OUR TEAM AS A STUDENT ASSISTANT

4-H Youth
Development

Jackson County

POSITION HIGHLIGHTS

The primary role of the summer student assistant in Jackson County is to support the local Extension staff and provide information to the public – including:

- Support educational programming and community engagement in Jackson County.
- Work directly with Extension professionals and staff who lead efforts to address community-based issues and educational programming.
- Greet customers, manage the phone, and support volunteers.
- Support 4-H Youth Development, Family and Consumer Sciences, and Agriculture and Natural Resources through assisting with educational materials, programming, and activities.
- Participate in the design, implementation, and evaluation of programs for a well-rounded experience of Extension programming.
- Work the summer months, negotiable based on school calendar.

HOW TO APPLY

Visit: hr.osu.edu/careers and search for job #R99147 (Student Assistant) to view the complete position description and to apply.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

Open until March 17th, 2024

hr.osu.edu/careers



Fundraising

Candy Bar Orders

4-H Clubs can now submit their 2024 4-H Fundraising Candy Bar Orders!

Clubs can place their orders at
[**go.osu.edu/Jackson4HFundraiser**](https://go.osu.edu/Jackson4HFundraiser)

DEADLINE EXTENDED: Clubs should place orders by **Friday, March 8th!**



4-H Discount Cards

4-H Discount Cards are still available at the Extension Office! **Limited amount left!**

Discount cards are good from now until October 2024 and are \$5.00 each.

There is an 80% profit margin for this fundraiser. Your club would make \$4 per card.

Interested in selling discount cards? Stop by the Office and pick up a bundle to sell!



4-H Resource of the Month:

Ohio 4-H Club Financial Management

Are you a 4-H Club Volunteer or Treasurer looking for more resources on how to manage your club's financials?

Check out the Ohio 4-H Financial Management Forms and Links page!

Managing club financials can be a big task, but it doesn't have to be! Check out these resources to be more organized and knowledgeable about these club policies and procedures.

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**Financial Management
at a Quick Glance**



Obtain EIN from IRS. **NEVER** open an account with a Social Security number!




Name of your account should be your 4-H club name, with 4-H in the title.



Always have 2 unrelated signers on every account.




Keep written record of every transaction that happens, both income and expenses.



Review bank statements to potentially identify red flags. Should be a non-signer of the account.



Reconciliation should happen monthly by the treasurer.



Financial review is done annually. Audit is completed every 3 years.



File Club/Affiliate yearly financial summary with the Extension office (maintain your club charter)



Pay with check whenever possible. Check with your 4-H professional for other acceptable forms of payment.

*If you collect any money with-in your club, your club **must** have an active account at a financial institution, checking account is the option **preferred**. This is a quick reference guide. To view the full financial guidelines, visit <https://go.osu.edu/financial4h>.



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Collegiate 4-H Presents:

PLOWBOY *Prom*

*LINE
DANCING*

*GAMES AND
SNACKS*

MARCH 9, 2024 - 7:00-9:30PM

NATIONWIDE AND OHIO FARM BUREAU 4-H CENTER

2201 FRED TAYLOR DRIVE, COLUMBUS, OH

DRESS CODE: 80'S DISCO NIGHT

YOUTH:

\$5

ADULTS:

**DONATIONS
APPRECIATED**

RIDGE RUNNERS 4-H CLUB SPAGHETTI DINNER



4-H Fundraiser for Ridge Runners 4-H Club

at Wesley Church 1384 Cove Rd.

Saturday, March 23, 2024; 5-7pm

Donations Only!

2024 OHIO YOUTH POULTRY CLINIC

**APRIL 13TH, 2024
8:15 A.M. TO 4:15 P.M.**

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1328 DOVER ROAD WOOSTER, OH 44691**

COST \$25 per person (includes morning refreshments and lunch)

DEADLINE Registration and payment postmarked by Tuesday, April 2nd, 2024

CONTACT Michael Cressman, cressman.2@osu.edu

SCHEDULE

8:15-8:55 – Registration/Refreshments. Equipment and Housing Exhibits Open.

9:00-9:15 – Introduction, Schedule Overview.

50-minute sessions: Poultry Nutrition, Slaughter, Quality Assurance (60 min, during lunch), Biosecurity, 4H Poultry Judging, Showmanship & Exhibition Poultry, 4H Avian Bowl & Poultry Skillathon, Q&A Corner (15 min, end of day)

REGISTRATION

Check or Credit Card Accepted

Make checks (\$25.00 per person) payable to The Ohio State University. On memo line write “2024 Youth Poultry Clinic.” Mail reservation (below) and payment postmarked by April 2nd to:
Attn: Michael Cressman, Dept. of Animal Sciences, 2029 Fyffe Court, Columbus, OH 43210.

To register, visit <https://go.osu.edu/osupoultryclinic> or scan the QR code below.



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General Livestock Judging Webinars

Join our monthly Livestock Judging Webinars with OSU coaches, Matthew Chaney (Main) and Seth Ebert (ATI), as they break down getting starting. Each webinar will focus on a different aspect of Livestock Judging. They will be sharing resources and tools available to youth judging in Ohio, their parents, as well as coaches.

DATE: Monthly
TIME: 7:00–8:00 p.m.
LOCATION: ZOOM



go.osu.edu/livestockevaluation

January 24:
Let's Start a Team

An interactive session on what all goes into getting started and who/what resources are available .

May 20:
Goats 101

An interactive session on goat evaluation. Breaking down the basics to set you up for success.

February 19:
Beef 101

An interactive session focusing on cattle evaluation. Breaking down the basics to set you up for success.

June 17:
EPDs & Scenarios

An interactive session giving you the skills to read and understand EPDs and scenarios. You've been given this paper full of information, now what....

March 18:
Swine 101

An interactive session on swine evaluation. Breaking down the basics to set you up for success.

July 8:
Reasons, Part 1

An interactive session preparing you with the necessary tools to present an oral set of reasons. From note taking to presentation, they've got you covered.

April 15:
Sheep 101

An interactive session on sheep evaluation. Breaking down the basics to set you up for success.

July 10:
Reasons, Part 2

An interactive session continuing content and information covered in part 1. Let's put the finishing touches on your presentation skills.

EVENT SPONSORS: Animal Science Design Team, OSU Livestock Judging Team, and OSU ATI Livestock Judging Team



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All About Goats! Spring Webinar Series

Register online at
go.osu.edu/allaboutgoats

Time: 7:00pm-8:00pm

March 11th

Getting Started with Goats

During this session, experts will review goat breeds, their uses, and how to best incorporate them into your own operation based upon production goals.

Presenters: Pressley Buurma & Trevor Corboy- Extension Educators

April 22nd

Feeding Your Herd

Join us as we discuss the nutritional needs and requirements of Dairy and Meat Goat herds and how those demands change throughout the year.

Presenter: Dr. Brady Campbell- State Small Ruminant Extension Specialist

March 25th

Live Animal Evaluation

This session will discuss the differences between meat and dairy goats and review what to look for when purchasing or retaining breeding stock in your herd.

Presenters: Pressley Buurma- Extension Educator & Matthew Chaney- OSU Livestock Judging Coach

May 6th

General Reproduction

Experts will cover various reproductive techniques in goat production including pre- and post-breeding management decisions and specific doe needs.

Presenter: Jacci Smith- Extension Educator

April 8th

Goat Management

Throughout this presentation, experts will explain the differences and similarities between Dairy and Meat Goat care and share some tips and tricks for your herd.

Presenters: Pressley Buurma- Extension Educator & Gregg Fogle- OARDC Manager

May 13th

Udder Health and Milk Quality

Viewers will learn the importance of udder health and milk quality within their herds while also learning prevention and care techniques.

Presenter: Dr. Luciana da Costa- Veterinary Extension Specialist



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4-H CLOVERBUD ENGINEERING ADVENTURE

The 2024 theme is *Going WILD*. Create a model of the habitat that includes animals and/or plants that you might find. Include a moving part in your habitat.

The project showcase is the opportunity to share their creations. Showcases will be held in June at locations throughout Ohio. Your team can choose the location that works best.

Find more information about the challenge by visiting go.osu.edu/cloverbudengineeringadventure

Register by April 19, 2024 at go.osu.edu/2024cloverbudengineeringadventure

Ohio 4-H 
Cloverbuds

Don't miss the chance for your Cloverbuds to participate in the 2024 challenge!

2024 Jackson County Junior Fair Market Poultry Ordering



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MARKET TURKEYS

Order by February 15th

go.osu.edu/JacksonTurkeyForm



MARKET DUCKS

Order by February 15th

go.osu.edu/JacksonDuckForm

**DEADLINE
CHANGE!**



MARKET CHICKENS

Order by May 15th

go.osu.edu/JacksonChickenForm

More information on the Animal Project Information Page at jackson.osu.edu
Reminder: ALL market poultry MUST be ordered through the Extension Office.



Join us for the Best Summer Ever at 4-H Camp!

2024 Canter's Cave 4-H Camp Information

More information at go.osu.edu/Jackson4HCamp

Forestry & Wildlife Camp

- April 19-21, 2024
- Grades 7-11
- Cost: \$100.00

Spring Fling

- April 27-28, 2024
- Grades 3-6
- Cost: \$40.00

4-H STEM Camp

- June 10-12, 2024
- Grades 5-7
- Cost: \$100.00

4-H Special Needs Camp

- June 13-16, 2024
- Cost: \$125.00



Junior Shooting Sports Camp

- June 7-9, 2024
- Grades 3-6
- Cost: \$250.00

Senior Shooting Sports Camp

- July 14-19, 2024
- Grades 7-12
- Cost: \$375.00

Cloverbud Overnight Camp

- June 28-29, 2024
- Ages 5-7
- Cost: \$60.00

Beginner 4-H Camp

- June 17-20, 2024
- Grades 3-5
- Cost: \$165.00

Junior High 4-H Camp

- June 24-27, 2024
- Grades 6-8
- Cost: \$165.00

Teen 4-H Camp

- June 21-24, 2024
- Grades 9-12
- Cost: \$170.00



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