

**Weekly 4-H Email Update**  
**March 19, 2021**

**Dear Members, Volunteers & Parents:**

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**4-H Family Magic Show**

Join Clinton County 4-H for a Virtual Family Magic Show with Entertainment by Conrad Cologne on Saturday March 27 at 7pm! Experience an interactive magic show where the magic happens in your hands and everyone has a front-row seat. Conrad is a 4-H alumnus, former Outstanding 4-Her, and professional family entertainer. Hope you can join in the fun. Get registered <https://tinyurl.com/ClintonVMSOH>. To get what you need to have before the show go to the website: <https://tinyurl.com/4hcardtrick>. **FREE TO ATTEND**

**Cloverbuds**

The County Cloverbud meetings will be held in-person at the OSU Extension office or fairground monthly. The next meeting is March 20 from 10:30-11:30 a.m. at the Clinton County Fairground, Expo Building. Each event is designed for County 4-H Cloverbud Members age 5 and in kindergarten to 8 years old. During each session members learn more about 4-H, interact with other Cloverbuds from the county; participate in hands-on learning activities, games, and snacks. If you are planning to attend, you MUST email [montague.18@osu.edu](mailto:montague.18@osu.edu) or call the Extension office 937-382-0901 by March 19. This will help us prepare for activities and snacks as well as meet COVID-19 requirements.

**New Member Sessions**

Due to changes in our meeting locations at the Extension Office and multiple events the New Member Day will be offered in a different format this year. A virtual session will be hosted on March 29 at 7:00 pm. (Zoom link below.) We will also offer an in-person session on April 9 from 10am-12pm at the Extension Office. Feel free to stop in to look at project books and ask questions about fees, books, projects, and entries. These sessions will give any new or newer families the opportunity to ask 4-H questions.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://osu.zoom.us/j/97691659571?pwd=dTgyTGxsdUZUSzFmQ0dFZk13d3l0UT09>

Dial in: 1 312 626 6799 US

Meeting ID: 976 9165 9571

Password: 935898

### **2021 Swine Start Up Program-SPACE IS STILL AVAILABLE!**

The swine committee is looking for new and current 4-H members that would like to participate in the Swine Start Up Program for 2021. To learn more or sign up contact the OSU Extension office today at 937.382.0901. Swine Start Up is for first time swine exhibitors. Exhibitors must sign up for a market swine project and pay a \$25 non-refundable deposit by April 1 at the OSU Extension office. The total cost for the program is \$125 and is due by project pick up in April. Members will receive a market hog from a local breeder plus other start up supplies and special educational sessions and Quality Assurance (QA) training.

### **2021 Poultry Hatch Dates**

Birds entered in the meat classes (roasters, fryers, meat pens, commercial waterfowl, and turkeys) must meet the following hatching guidelines to exhibit:

- a. Turkeys - Must be between the ages of 14 and 18 weeks of age. Hatching dates must be between March 7th and April 4th of the current year.
- b. Meat Pens and Single Roasters - Meat pens and roasters must not exceed 9 weeks of age at fair. Meat pens and roasters can be hatched no earlier than May 9th, current year.
- c. Single Fryers - Fryers must not exceed 7 weeks of age at fair. Fryers can be hatched no earlier than May 23rd of the current year.
- d. Commercial Waterfowl-Market Ducks-must be between 8 and 11 weeks of age at the fair. Can be hatched no earlier than April 25th and no later than May 16th.

### **4-H Roping**

This year marks the fifth year for the Clinton County 4-H Roping Show & Projects! It is open to any county 4-Her that would like to learn how to rope or has an interest. No horse is needed, and you can sign-up in any existing 4-H club using the project code 539. For questions or info contact Josh Dixon at 937-302-6511.

### **Ohio 4-H Family Guide**

Check your mailbox for your copy of the Ohio 4-H Family Guide. Please start looking through it to learn about new projects and select your 2021 projects. It is helpful to go through the guide and select your projects before you enroll online. <https://ohio4h.org/familyguide>

### **Quality Assurance (QA) New QA registration links will be available after March 23!**

4-H/FFA members who want to show and/or sell market steers, market hogs, market lambs, market goats, market dairy steers, feeder calves, lactating dairy cattle, market poultry, market rabbits and lactating dairy goats must attend a Quality Assurance Training at a designated time. Clinton County 4-H/FFA members are required to attend a QA session. Youth 8-18 years old must attend a face-to-face QA, County Zoom QA, or complete the online Youth for the Quality Care for Animals (YQCA) certification to meet the county QA requirement. YQCA is the only online certification accepted. Parent/Guardian are encouraged to attend a QA session with the exhibitor. Youth in Clinton County may attend QA outside the county if it is a certified program and OSUE in Clinton County receives documentation the member participated. QA certification must be completed by May 26.

In person Quality Assurance is held at the Clinton County Fairground-Expo Building. You must **RSVP** if you would like to attend. We will follow OSU and health department guidelines. Please limit extra

family members to one parent and participants. March 6 & 23 QA sessions are full. Future dates that will require registration include April 28, 6:30 pm & May 20, 6:30pm. Zoom sessions include: March 30, 6:30 pm, April 7, 6:30 pm and May 8, 9:30 am. Quality Assurance will be offered for youth in the Start Up Hog & Goat programs during county meetings. **If you are looking for zoom links and registration for upcoming QA sessions that will be available after March 23.**

### **Enrollment**

Please check in with your 4-H club advisors for enrollment and meeting information. Online enrollment can be accessed at <https://v2.4honline.com>. To help you and prepare for the season the enrollment deadline has been moved to **April 1, 2021!** This is only for this year. You will have from **April 2-9** to make any changes to your enrollment such as adding, dropping, or changing a project by calling the OSUE Office.

Eligibility for 4-H Cloverbud membership begins when a child has reached age 5 and is enrolled in Kindergarten as of January 1 of the current year. Project membership begins when a child is at least age 8 and enrolled in the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade as of January 1 of the current year. Ohio 4-H Membership ends December 31 of the year an individual attains the age of 19. Any youth age 9 or above is eligible for project membership regardless of grade level.

### **Junior Fair Requirements Book**

The junior fair schedule and book is getting finalized. The book is being posted online by department.

### **All County Meetings**

You might have noticed on the 4-H calendar a new event, All County Meeting for 4-H members. Volunteers and parents are also invited to join in the meeting. The meetings will be held virtually. We will cover enrollment, fair entries, and special topics/speakers. Attendance will be emailed to the main club leader following the event. Check with your club volunteer to see if it can count for a club meeting. Watch for details coming soon on the next meeting on April 1!

### **OSU Extension Office, Clinton County office hours**

Our office is open by appointment only. We continue to respond to phone, email and voice messages during normal office hours (M-F | 8:00 am – 4:30 pm).

### **Upcoming Events**

#### **March**

20 Cloverbud Club for County 4-H Cloverbud Members, 10:30-11:30am (Fairground-Expo/RSVP required)  
22 JFB, 6:30pm (Fairground-Expo Center)  
23 QA 6:30pm (Fairground-Expo Center)  
25 CPR for Counselor Training, 4pm (Laurel Oaks Wilmington Campus)  
29 Virtual New Member Day, 7pm  
30 QA Zoom 6:30pm

#### **April**

##### **1 4-H Enrollment Deadline (2-9 drop/change/add by calling office, 937-382-0901)**

1 All County Mtg for members, volunteers & parents 6:30pm (Virtual-Link will be shared in weekly updates.)

5 SFB, 7pm (Fair office)  
7 QA Zoom, 6:30 p.m.  
8 Carteens, 6-8pm  
9 **Final Deadline to drop/change/add**  
12 4-H Comm., 7pm (Location TBD)  
14 Camp Counselor Zoom, 7pm  
16 County Dairy Cattle Exhibitor Meeting (Required for Exhibitors), 7pm (Location-Fairgrounds-Expo Center)  
17 Swine Start Up, 10am Project Pick Up (Fair-Hog Barn)  
17 Goat Start Up, 10am Project Pick Up (Fair-Goat & Sheep Barn)  
19 Dog Comm., 6:30pm & Horse Comm., 7pm  
25 Counselor Training, 1-3 pm (Location-Fairgrounds-Expo Center)  
25 Cloverbud Counselor Training, 3-4:15pm (Fairgrounds-Expo Center)  
26 JFB, 6:30pm (Location TBD)  
28 QA, 6:30pm (Fairground-Expo Center)  
28 Cloverbud Club for County 4-H Cloverbud Members, 5:30-6:30 pm (Cloverbud Cooking Challenge Practice!) (Fairgrounds-Expo Center)

\*Clinton County Fair July 10-17

\* Ohio State Fair-Wed, Jul 28, 2021 – Sun, Aug 8, 2021

**Key**

JFB, Junior Fair Board

SFB, Senior Fair Board

Comm., Committee

Mtg., Meeting

FCS, Family & Consumer Sciences

QA, Quality Assurance

OSUE, Ohio State University Extension

Please visit the county website for additional 4-H information: [clinton.osu.edu](http://clinton.osu.edu).

Please contact our office with any questions at 937-382-0901.

Thank you,  
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