

Weekly 4-H Email Update
October 17, 2023

Dear Members, Volunteers & Parents:

Weekly Update Topics:

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Ohio State Fair Beef Information

The Ohio State Fair requires all market beef entered in the 2024 Ohio State Fair to have individual DNA samples taken from each animal that may potentially be entered. These DNA samples must be in the possession of the Ohio State Fair by January 15. **NEW for 2024: Ohio State Fair will NOT be providing EID tags for market beef entries.** Exhibitors must get their own 840 tags for their entries. The EID 840 tag number MUST be listed on the envelope with the DNA sample.

DNA sample collection kits may be picked up at the Clinton County Extension Office in early December and will be available at the December 6, 2023, Beef Tag In. Prior to submission, the nomination envelope for each sample kit remitted must be signed by either the 4-H professional or FFA advisor, depending on which organization the youth is taking the market animal(s).

Also, note that youth showing at any of the BEST sanctioned shows must have EID tags in their calves prior to the first show in which they exhibit. BEST shows prior to the January 15 deadline to submit samples to OSF include *Mardi Gras Masquerade* (November 17-19, Circleville), *AGR Holiday Classic* (December 8-10, Columbus), *Saddle & Siroloin Spectacular* (December 29-31, Circleville), and *Scarlet & Gray Midwest Showdown* (January 5-7, Columbus).

Jr Fair Thank You Notes

Please take a few minutes to send your junior fair award donor a thank you note. We wouldn't be able to provide awards for the junior fair without our wonderful community donors. If you need a donor name or address, please email foxworthy.1@osu.edu. Most fair awards had a label with the donor's name and address. When writing a thank you note let the donor know you appreciate the award they provided and maybe tell them something about your project or about your fair experience this year!

Jr Fair Sale Exhibitors

Thank you to all 4-H & FFA members who were able to pick up sale checks last week. ALL remaining fair livestock checks have been mailed. A lot of our county members have received them. If you haven't received your check, please wait a couple weeks, and then contact our office. Also, what you receive might be different than what you were expecting. Please remember committee fees and a processing fee have been deducted. This helps us run the sale, junior fair, and make improvements in the barns.

New 4-H Volunteer Orientation

The next county new volunteer orientation is October 26 at 6:30 p.m. at the Extension office. This is for individuals wanting to serve as a club volunteer. If you are interested, please contact the Extension Office at 937.382.0901. The volunteer process includes an orientation, application, references, interview, background check, and 1.50 training.

Teens!

Please look for a mailing regarding teen opportunities. This is your time to learn about and apply for awards, scholarships, Camp Counselor, Carteens or Junior Fair Board. Most county and state opportunities are available for 4-H youth 14 years and older. If you want to learn more visit our website at <https://clinton.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development>. If you can't find the application you are looking for, please contact our office at 937.382.0901.

2024 Junior Fair Board

The Clinton County Junior Fair Board (JFB) application has been posted! If you want to get more involved with the fair, JFB could be for you. Members announce at events and shows, work with committee members, media, senior fair board, OSUE staff and more. They complete fundraisers, service projects and more. The Clinton County Junior Fair Board is open to any youth age 14 by Jan. 1, 2024, who is interested in obtaining leadership and public speaking skills. The application is due October 2nd to OUSE Office. The selection night will be held on Monday, October 23. **The application is due October 19.**

Real Money Real World

If any high school youth or adults want to help with *Real Money Real World*, we will be conducting the real-life simulation at Wilmington High School on November 3 from 8 a.m.-10:30 a.m. This is a session where OSUE partners with community members and the schools to offer a simulation on monthly spending. Volunteers help at different stations like housing, childcare, food, transportation, insurance, etc. If you want to help, please call the office.

OSU Extension, Clinton County Office Hours

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

Upcoming 4-H Events

October

23 JFB Selection Night, 5-8pm
26 New Volunteer Orientation, 6:30pm

November

1 Camp Counselor Applications Due
2 Teen Awards & Scholarship Info Night, 6:30pm
6 SFB, 7pm (Fair office)
9 Carteens, 6-8pm
10 OSU Closed
13 4-H Comm., 7pm
15 Jr Beef Applications Due
23 OSU Closed
24 OSU Closed
27 JFB, 6:30pm

*OSUE Clinton County will be closed on Tuesday, November 14 for a regional in-service.

*2024 Camp Dates:

Jr Overnight Camp-June 17-21
Multi-County Cloverbud Overnight Camp-June 2 & 3
Cloverbud Day Camp at the Clinton County Fair-TBD

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.

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

Thank you,

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This email provides information for 4-H members, Junior Fair for FFA members, and Junior Fair events and requirements.

