



Medina County 4-H



January Family Newsletter 2024



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January 2024

- **Beef Clinic** January 21st Nose printing and Check-in, Noon-3:00PM at the Medina County Fairgrounds. This is required for all Market and Carcass Beef.
- Dairy Beef Weigh-in for Finished Steer REQUIRED, 10:00AM-Noon, Beef Barn #37, Medina County Fairgrounds- January 21st
- Tractor Certification Registration Due January 22nd
 - Paper Copy of registration <u>here</u>
- New Volunteer Application Due January 31st
- Achievement Form Due January 31st
- Older Youth Opportunities Application Due January 31st
- MXC Making eXtreme Camp Counselors Statewide Counselor Workshop <u>Click</u> <u>here for more information</u> - Due January 31st

February 2024

- Beef Born and Raised Form Due February 1st
- Ohio 4-H Conference Registration Due February 9th for the March 11th conference
- Ohio 4-H Scholarship Applications Due February 15th via online submission, Click here for more information about Ohio 4-H Scholarships
- Financial Advisor <u>Training</u> February 7th, 6-8 PM
- Market Poultry Order Form Due February 15th by 5pm for Turkey and Goose Orders
- Background Checks- Due February 15th or Volunteers

Medina 4-H News

2024 Rule Books Now Online!

This year's copies of the 2024 Fair Rule books are now available on our website. Remember that in Medina County 4-H projects are split into two different fairs. Livestock projects including cows, poultry, goats, rabbits, sheep, swine and Performance Animals including horses and dog agility fall under the Medina County Junior Fair and will show during Fair Week. Poster/display projects including Art, food, fashion, natural resources, leadership, pet animals, and STEM are judged before fair and fall under Medina County Pre-Fair Judging.

Junior Fair Livestock Rule Book 2024

Pre-Fair Rule Book 2024

It is YOUR responsibility to read and understand the rules for your chosen project!

Poultry Zoom January 22nd 6:00pm



New rules are for Junior Fair Poultry Exhibitors are in effect for 2024. A virtual meeting is being held by our 4-H Poultry Volunteers to discuss these changes. Come learn everything you need to know ahead of the 2024 Fair on January 22nd at 6:00pm.

Click here to join the meeting January 22nd 6:00pm

Meeting ID: 278 313 523 243

Passcode: KwRDZi

New Volunteer Applications Due- Jan 31

4-H runs on the power of volunteers. Volunteers serve as role models, leaders, and inspire kids each day. They are at the heart of everything we do in 4-H, making an enormous impact on our kids and our community. Would you like to join these esteemed leaders in growing the next generation of thinkers, dreamers, and doers? Apply to be a 4-H volunteer TODAY!



Applications due by January 31st

Last Chance: Tractor Safety Certification

This is your last chance to join us for the 2024 Tractor Safety Certification Course. Successful completion of this 24-hour course along with passing scores on the written; skills; and driving exams, will certify a 14-15 year old youth to legally operate a tractor and farm machinery.

Registration is Due Monday January 22nd Classes Begin February 3rd





YOUR 2024 4-H

To Do List



1 ENROLL AT WWW.4HONLINE.COM

Everyone needs to enroll in 4-H online each year. Go to **www.4honline.com** and log in. Click the words "Enroll Now" beside the member's name. Check that all information is correct. Add the projects you will take for 2024. Hit "Submit" by April 15th.

TURN IN \$15 DUES TO YOUR CLUB

You will give your \$15 dues to your club leader and review the code of conduct. Your advisor will then turn in one check for your entire club. Once we receive confirmation your dues were paid you will be approved.

ORDER PROJECT BOOKS

There are three ways to order books: With your club, online at extensionpubs.osu.edu, or at the extension office durring business hours.

4 ENTER FAIR AT FAIRENTRY.COM

Fair Entry will open on April 16th and close on June 3rd. You must complete fair entry in order to show all projects at the Medina County Fair. Register at www.fairentry.com for Jr Fair and Pre-Fair.

QUESTIONS? 330-661-6405

4-H Online Enrollment

You do not have to wait until April 15th to enroll in 4-H. Enrollment for the 2023-2024 4-H year is open now! Both adult volunteers and youth members can complete their required yearly enrollment at: https://v2.4honline.com/#/user/sign-in



<u>4-H Family Guides</u> will once again be mailed to all 4-H families registered in 4-H online thanks to the generous donation from our sponsor **Kroger**. Yours should be arriving any day if it has not already. Use this guide to select projects for 2024.

Helpers Needed for Leadership Lock-in

Helpers are needed for the Leadership Lock-In taking place overnight on Friday, March 15th from 6:00pm to 7:00am at the Medina County Extension Office. We are looking for adults to help chaperone and lead activities that will build leadership skills for our teen participants. You do not have to be an approved volunteer to help at this event. If interested, please contact Sierra at baca.43@osu.edu.

Save the Date 4-H Week 2024!

Medina County will once again be celebrating 4-H week this year with a whole week of family friendly activities! For Service Sunday, plan a community service project with your club such as donating to the 4-H food drive! Share a 4-H post with us for Memory Monday and share 4-H with a friend for Talk to a Friend Tuesday. On Wellness Wednesday we will host a Family Zumba & Yoga class at 6:00pm at the Extension Office. Discover what 4-H is all about with a 4-H Open House on "This is 4-H Thursday" and show off your 4-H apparel on Fashion Friday! Finally, join us for the Ohio 4-H Conference Saturday in Columbus for an educational day of sessions for both teens and adults!

4-H Week March 3rd to 9th



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Memory Monday

March 4th

4-H builds memories that last a lifetime. Share a photo or post of your favorite 4-H memory on your social media.

Talk to a friend Tuesday March 5th

Share your 4-H experience! Talk to a friend you think might be interested in joining 4-H. Make a plan to attend Thursday's Open House

Wellness Wednesday *March 6th*

"I pledge my health to better living"

The 4th H is Health. Join us for a healthy living event in your county! or plan your own event!

This is 4-H Thursday! March 7th

Come learn about all that 4-H has to offer with a county wide new member open house!

4-H Fashion Friday March 8th

Wear your 4-H spirit gear to school, work, or just around town today!

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Service Sunday

March 3rd

"I pledge my hands to larger service"

Plan a 4-H service project as a club or individual. Share your experience with us on Facebook!



Medina.osu.edu 4046Medina Rd 330-725-4911





See Your Saturday!

March 9th

OPEN

The 4-H annual conference begins today at 8:00 am at the Greater Columbus Conference Center.

Volunteers and youth members are invited to attend. See you there!









Location: Medina County Fair Office 720 W. Smith Rd, Medina, Ohio 44256 Enjoy A Pasta Bar with Us

Find Out What Jr. Leaders Represents and Is All About
A Great Club To Grow Your Leadership and Socialization Skills
Gain Community Service Experience

A Great Place To Meet New Friends!

If You're Interested Contact Us at medinacountyjl@gmail.com

Required Beef Clinics in January

Beef Nose print Clinic- New date January 21st

Anyone planning to take a Market or Carcass Beef project in 2024 must attend this Nose printing Clinic on January 21st, at the Medina County Fairgrounds in Beef Barn #37. Check-in begins at Noon and runs till 3:00PM. A nose print fee of \$20 a head will be collected, cash or check only. All participants must remain in their vehicles until instructed to exit. If you have questions, contact a Beef Committee Member.

Dairy Beef Weigh-in – January 21st

If you will be showing a **finished steer** in 2024 you are **REQUIRED** to attend the weigh-in on January 21st from 10:00AM-Noon. It will be held in Beef Barn #37 at the Medina County Fairgrounds. If you have questions, contact a Dairy Beef Committee Member.



Old Business

In case you missed these reminders and opportunities from the last 4-H Family Newsletter or want to take a look again!

4-H Yard Signs Available!



Monday- Friday 8:00-12:00 & 1:00-5:00.

The Medina County Advisory Council ordered 4-H yard signs and they are available for purchase in the Medina County Extension Office. The suggested price per sign is \$10; however, to make the signs accessible for everyone in 4-H, you choose what you pay! All proceeds from the sale of signs go to the Advisory Council to help support 4-H scholarships. They are made of sturdy corrugated plastic and include a metal frame for installation. Get yours during any of our regularly scheduled business hours

4-H Conference Registration Now Open

- Where: Greater Columbus Convention Center
- Cost: \$40 but Free to the first 8 youth and first 12 adults who register
- How: Fill out a registration form and email to Rachel at chapman.894@osu.edu

The Ohio 4-H Conference is back for 2024! This educational opportunity for youth and adults is a great place to learn new skills, pick up tips, meet new people, and celebrate 4-H with people from around the state! You can find registration material and sessions on the conference web page <u>HERE</u>.

2024 Ohio 4-H Conference

How do I get my project books?

There are three ways to get 4-H project books in Medina County. To view a copy of the 2024 Ohio 4-H Family Guide with all the projects available click Here.

- 1. <u>www.extensionpubs.osu.edu</u> order online directly from the publisher.
- 2. Buy at the extension office for a discount! 4046 Medina Rd in Medina 8:00-Noon & 1:00-5:00pm Monday-Friday.
- 3. Buy with your club for a discount! Reach out to your club leader to find out when and how they will collect orders.



2024 Quality Assurance Dates

All youth taking a Market or Lactating animal are required to complete Quality Assurance (QA). Youth with three or more years of experience with QA may take the YQCA online training instead of attending the free in-person training. QA may be completed in either Medina or Lorain County. Please make sure to pay attention to the location and time. You can register for any of the trainings here:

2024 Medina Assuring Quality Care of Animals

Online YQCA; You must email Sierra a copy of your certificate! Test Out
Jan. 4th 5:00 pm6:30pm Medina
County Extension
Office

AQCA
Feb.19 1:00 pm3:00 Pm
Lorain County
Fairgrounds

AQCA
Mar.19 6:00 pm8:00 Pm
Medina County
Extension Office

AQCA for Winning Plan Members Apr. 24th BY APPOINTMENT Medina County Extension Office

AQCA 1st Members Apr. 25th 6:00 pm-8:00pm Medina County Fairprounds

AQCA May 7th 6:00 pm-8:00 Pm Lorain County Fairgrounds AQCA May 14th 6:00 pm-8:00 Pm Medina County Fairgrounds

Volunteers Needed for QA

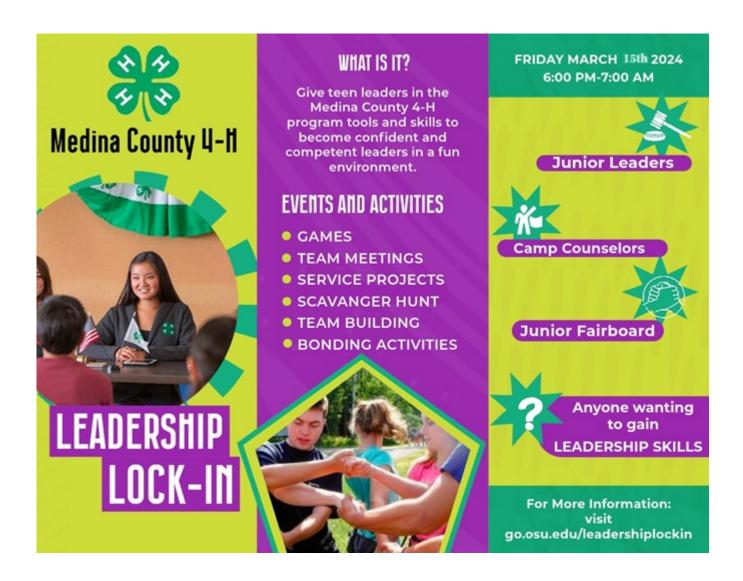
Helpers are needed for QA, especially the two main events happening in Medina on <u>March</u> <u>19th and May 14th from 6:00pm to 8:00pm at the Medina County Fairgrounds. If you can help either of these days or on one of the others, contact Sierra at <u>baca.43@osu.edu</u></u>



Build Your Teens Leadership Skills

Medina County 4-H is hosting a Leadership Lock-in! This fun event is for ages 13 and up and will help youth build leadership skills, foster confidence, and relate to their peers. The event will be held at the Medina Extension Office on Friday, March 15th from 6:00pm until 7:00am the next morning.

Click Here to Register



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4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

2024 TRACTOR SAFETY CERTIFICATION COURSE

Orientation Meeting – Saturday, February 3rd, 9:00am-10:00am
Classroom Sessions 1-6 – Saturdays, February 10th – March 16th
Promptly start at 8:15 am and end at 12:30pm, end at 1:00 pm, on 3/16
Tractor Skills & Driving Test – To be announced

Why: Successful completion of this 24-hour course along with passing scores on the written; skills; and driving exams, will certify a 14*-15 year old youth to legally operate a tractor and farm machinery and meeting the current Federal Bureau of Labor Standards for employment of a minor. *Participants must be age 14 by the course completion date.

Cost: \$50. Payment is required with registration. Course materials will be distributed at orientation. Make check payable to: **OSU Extension, Medina County**

Registration Deadline: January 22nd, Must have 4 enrolled by registration deadline for class to be offered.

Class Location: Medina County Agricultural Society – Fair Office 720 W. Smith Rd., Medina

Important Note: Students should have the basic ability to operate a farm tractor and have access to a farm tractor.

Questions: Contact Rachel Chapman 330-661-6405 or chapman.894@osu.edu

2024 Medina County 4-H Tractor Certification Course

Return this completed form with **\$50** check made payable to: **OSU Extension, Medina County** 4046 Medina Rd, Medina OH 44256

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Participant's Full Name							
Mailing Address							
City	ОН	Zip	County of Residence				
Daytime Phone		С	Cell Phone				
Birthdate (month/day/year)	Age (on Jan. 1)		Parent/Guardian's Signature				





COME JOIN OUR MEDINA 4-H

Medina County Home Ec. School is designed for 4-H members ages 9-19 who are interested in developing skills related to the Family and Consumer Science Projects and learning about project opportunities while completing or starting pieces of the projects. 4-H members engage in one track of focus based on preference and availability. All participants will complete a service-learning project.

Date: February 10-11
Location: Buckeye Schools
Time: 9:00 am- 4:00 pm
Cost: \$30.00
You will Recieve: A project
book, project materials,
lunch and snack each day

It's My thoughts
Thou

Cake
Decorating

JOIN NOW

go.osu.edu/
homeecschool

State 4-H News

Volunteers Needed for Ohio Beef Expo Livestock Judging

The 4-H Animal Sciences Team is looking for volunteers to help with the 2024 Ohio Beef Expo Livestock Judging Contest. This is an educational youth event where youth from multiple states compete to display their knowledge of cattle judging. We appreciate any support that you have to offer. Your willingness to help allows us to put on a successful contest for these competitive youth.

Date: March 15, 2024

Registration: 6:30 - 7:30 a.m.

Judging Begins: 9 a.m.

Location: Ohio State Fair Taft Coliseum



Link to sign up: https://go.osu.edu/beefexpovolunteer

2024 New and Revised 4-H Projects

NEW Gymkhana #186

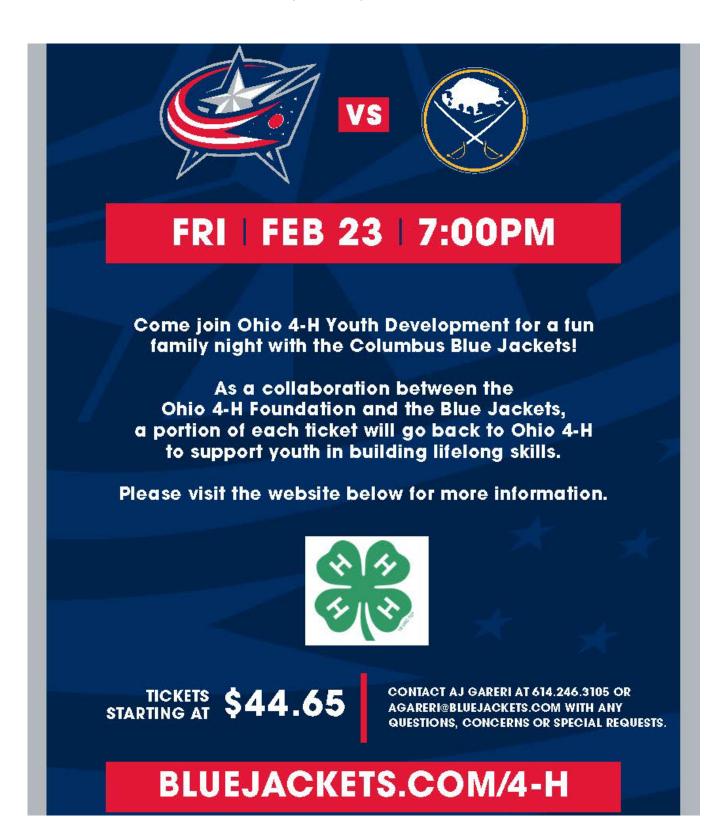
NEW Roping #187

NEW Assistance Animals in Action #210

NEW Relationships 101. #356



#179R Uniform Rules for 4-H Horse Shows (REVISED) #201R Dog Resource Handbook (REVISED) #228R Rabbit Resource Handbook (REVISED)



- What: A fun, family night for 4-H at the Columbus Blue Jackets (CBJ vs Buffalo Sabres). A portion of tickets sold will go to the Ohio 4-H program. This year we will have a pre-game meeting space in the arena (with appetizers) and an opportunity to take a post-game group picture on the ice. More details will be shared with those who purchase tickets.
- Who: This event will be marketed to all Ohio 4-H families (all 4-H professionals, donors/supporters, alumni, volunteers, members, and families).
- When: Friday, February 23 at 7pm.
- Where: Nationwide Arena in Columbus, OH.
- How: www.bluejackets.com/4-H
- Cost: \$44.65

Why/Purpose of the Event:

- Raise money for Ohio 4-H. A portion of the ticket sales (purchased on the website) will come back to Ohio 4-H.
- o **Provide a unique event** for 4-H alumni and current 4-H families.

Forestry Camp at Canters Cave

- **Dates:** April 19-21, 2024
- Location: Canter's Cave 4-H Camp located in Jackson County Ohio.
- **Open to Campers in grades 7-11 Older** 4-H members are encouraged to apply as counselors for this camp.
- Cost: Cost per camper \$115.00
- **Scholarships:** We have a limited number of \$60 scholarships available from the Ohio 4-H Foundation. These scholarships will be awarded based on need. A separate scholarship application will need to be submitted to apply for these scholarships. If counties choose to offer this camp as an award or local scholarship opportunity, please contact Tracy Winters to set up a fund transfer. Applicants should still register using the online registration process and select paying by check.
- Registration Deadline: March 28 by midnight
- Space limited: This camp is limited to 75 campers.
- Counselors are being accepted for this camp. Counselors must be aged 15 by January 1, 2024, and have at least one year of camping experience as a counselor. Preference is given to older counselors, counselors who have helped with this camp in the past, and those currently serving as county camp counselors. County Educator recommendations will be required before acceptance as a state camp counselor.

In addition to camp counselors, we are also seeking a camp nurse for this camp. Please send referrals to winters.5@osu.edu.

Camp registrations and counselor applications will be available after the beginning of the year, please watch for an email announcement and marketing materials. All registration information including counselor applications can be found on the camping website at https://ohio4h.org/camp/forestry-and-wildlife-conservation-camp

7:00 AM Rise and Shine – Pack to go home. Put luggage in common

area of Harrison Powell Lodge

7:30 AM Flags & Breakfast – **Main Lodge**

8:30 AM Choose it Sessions:

½ session 8:30-9:00 am then 9:00-9:30am

Full session 8:30 -9:30 am 1 choice

Session choices

Full session 60 min.

Eco-Hike with Jacob Winters Athens Soil & Water Nature Crafts with Christy Millhouse OSU Extension

1/2 sessions 30 minutes chose 2

Boating w/ Jo Williams OSU Extension & counselors Archery with Eric Clary Shooting Sports Instructor Investigating insects "what did we catch" – Dr. Lee

10:00AM Check-out Main Lodge

Please recycle name badge holders

Turn in evaluations!

Once you have signed out with a parent you may pick up

your belongings at the Harrison Powell Lodge

Thank you to the Ohio 4-H Foundation and the Division of Wildlife for their sponsorship of this camp.

If you would like to send a thank you card for a camp scholarship or to thank our camp sponsors, please mail them too.

The Ohio 4-H Foundation Attention Crystal Ott at Ohio 4-H Center 2201 Fred Taylor Dr. Columbus Ohio 43210

ODNR Division of Wildlife Attention Eric Postell 2045 Morse Rd. Columbus Ohio 43229





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Ohio 4-H Forestry Wildlife Conservation Camp



Canters Cave 4-H Camp Jackson County Ohio 1362 Caves Rd. Jackson Ohio 45640 April 28-30, 2023

Camp Directors – Tracy Winters, Jo Williams & Christy Millhouse

In partnership with Hocking College and the Division of Forestry

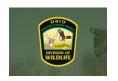
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OHIO 4-H Forestry Wildlife Conservation Camp		SATURDAY		
FRIDAY		7:30 AM	Flags & Breakfast – Dining Hall	
6:30 - 7:30PM		odge – Room Assignment & health		
8:00 PM	forms		8:20 AM	Forestry Sessions Groups will rotate through 5 stations
8:00 PW		ainted games Josh Winters OSU		before lunch. Station 1 Dendro Hike with Ron Cass and Dave Aspley
Extension, Summer Staff & Counselors 9:00 PM Outdoor cooking – Jo, Tracy, Christy & counselors			Station 2 Fishing with Grant Scholten and students	
10:00 PM Star Story Challenge – Christy Millhouse OSU Extension			Station 3 Sawmill with Mike Kessler	
10:30 PM Back to rooms			Station 4 Tree Climbing with Dale Hatfield	
11:00 PM	00 PM Lights out			Station 4 Dendrochronology with Stephanie & Jim Downs
Camp Counselors			12:30	Lunch – Dining Hall
Kate Acklin		Travis Allen	1 20 DV	
Emilee Bowlin	Emilee Bowling Reece Butler		1:30 PM	Tree Felling & Chainsaw safety with Mike Kessler
Haleigh Conant Joanna Flickinger		2:00	Wildlife sessions. Groups will rotate through 5 stations	
Shelby Greenlee Shane Griffith		2.00	before dinner.	
GraceLynn Harter Dakota Ketchum			Station 1 Hemlock Woolly Adelgid w/ Stephanie & Jim	
Kirsten Klem Madilyn Lawson			Downs	
Adrianna Meyer Braden Rapp			Station 2 Radiotelemetry with Dave Swanson	
Calvin Romeo Cooper Schagel Natalie Shriner Connor Snyder			Station 3 Animal ID (Traps, Snares & Blow darts) Sayre Flannagan	
Natalie Swain Connor Snyaer Andrew Wetherell			Station 4 Wilderness Survival with Homer Elliot	
Traidite Swain	,	indiew wenteren		Station 5 Pollinators with Maddie Allman
Canters Cave Summer Staff		5:30 PM	Dinnon Dining Holl	
Bethany Armstrong & Catherina Knope		3.30 FWI	Dinner – Dining Hall	
Community and a second		6:30 PM	Evening program Main Lodge	
Camp Nurse: Amanda Warren			6:30 PM	Live animal demonstrations – Pat Quackenbush and
Adult Staff & Guest presenters				students
Maddie Allma	-	Dave Aspley OSUE	7:30 PM	Break
Ron Cass HC		Eric Clary Shooting Sports	8:00 PM	Forest Insects at night program with Dr. Tae Lee OSU
Jim Downs Fo		Homer Elliot HC		Entomologist
Stephanie Do		Sayre Flannagan HC		
Dale Hatfield		Mike Kessler HC	9:00 PM	Snack/Break
Dr. Tae Lee C	S U	Pat Quackenbush HC	10:00 PM 11:00 PM	Campfine anagram with Dave Camples
Dave Samples	s Canters Cave	Grant Scholten HC		Campfire program with Dave Samples Lights out
Dave Swanson		Mark Warrens Shooting Sports	11.001111	Lights out
Jacob Winters	Athens SWCD	Josh Winters OSUE		

KELLEYS ISLAND 4-H CAMP SUMMER JOBS!



Spend your summer on an island with little to no expense earning \$5,000 or MORE!

Summer jobs available on Kelleys Island for 2024! We are hiring for ALL positions; Cooks, Naturalist, Lifeguards/Waterfront, Outdoor Recreation, and Maintenance. Our season starts June 2nd with staff move in and training. Our season ends August 11th.

All staff are paid biweekly, salary is \$900-\$1,000 per pay period depending on position. EARLY SIGN ON BONUS OF \$500 paid at the end of the season with final paycheck. We provide air conditioned housing, meals, ferry transportation, and an active and exciting work environment.

Visit our website: https://ki4hcamp.org/ for more information and application under employment.

Questions, email our camp director at campdirector@ki4hcamp.org or call 419. 975.0778

Thank you for being a part of 4-H in Medina County!

