

Medina County 4-H



March Family Newsletter

4-H Week!

March 5: Service Sunday

March 6: Memory Monday

March 7: Talk to a Friend Tuesday

March 8: Wellness Wednesday

March 9: This is 4-H Thursday

March 10: 4-H Fashion Friday

March 11: See You Saturday!



**This
is
4-H**

March 2023

- [4-H Week](#) March 5-11th
- **Request for Across County Lines 4-H Membership Form** - Due March 15th (30 days before county 4-H membership enrollment deadline, earlier if seeking membership in a county outside of Medina County)
- **Ohio Youth Poultry Clinic**- March 18th
- **Volunteer Training**- March 22nd
- **Endowment Request** - Due March 31st

April 2023

- **Volunteer Training (Committee)**- April 6th
- **New Volunteer Orientation**- April 13th
- **Dairy Beef Pictures for Starter, Light, & Heavy Feeders** Due April 15th
- **4-H Online Enrollment** - Due April 17th
- **Horse Permission to Participate – Due April 17th**
- **4-H Member Enrollment** - Due April 17th in 4Honline for returning members
- **4-H New Member Enrollment** - Due April 17th
- **Club Enrollment (Due to the extension office)**- Due April 17th
- **Required Forms For Clubs**- Due April 17th
- **Market Poultry Order Form** - Due April 27th by 5 pm for Duck and Broiler Orders



Medina News

BIG NEWS! Ohio 4-H Week is **HERE!**

This year, we are celebrating Ohio 4-H Week with a week full of 4-H events and opportunities for volunteers, youth, alumni, and families. The week begins on Sunday March 5th with community service and ends Saturday March 11th with the Ohio 4-H Annual Conference! The biggest county event will be our 4-H Open House on March 9th from 6pm-8pm at the A.I Root Candle Community Room. This event will highlight opportunities in Medina 4-H with fun, hands-on activities, and information! This is a fantastic opportunity for 4-Hers looking to explore new projects and those who are interested in joining 4-H. We appreciate your help in sharing the week's activities and the open house with as many people as you can!



Service Sunday: Collect canned foods to bring to the office during 4-H week and help us beat Lorain and Summit Counties. This is a fun way to get your club involved and helps the people of Medina County. We have already had our first two donations collecting over 200 items from Sharon Flying Horse & Pony, and Chippewa Chipmunks!

This is 4-H Thursday: Plan to attend the open house as a club and invite new or perspective 4-H families to join you. It is an exciting time to learn about new projects and opportunities with Medina 4-H! If you have been considering trying out a new project but are not sure what it takes to raise a pygmy goat, sew a coat, show a chicken or are looking for something entirely new you will find it here!

FREE FAMILY ZUMBA
With Mrs. Erin



Medina County Extension Office 120 West
Washington St Medina Ohio 44256

**WEDNESDAY
6:00-6:45PM**

Join the Club
4-H Empowers young people with the skills to lead for a lifetime

4-H Open House



4-H has over 200 project topics from Animals to STEM to Art to Service! Discover them all at the open house:

MARCH 9 • 6 PM - 8 PM
A.I ROOT CANDLE 623 W LIBERTY ST MEDINA

contact us: 330-725-4911 or baca.43@osu.edu

Wellness Wednesday: Work with your clubs Healthy Living Officer to plan a wellness activity! Check out these great activity ideas from Michigan State 4-H: [Healthy Youth Activities for 4-H Clubs!](#) Do not Forget to register for the Free Family Zumba! Registration Required, class will be canceled if minimum participants are not met. www.go.osu.edu/medinazumba

Ohio 4-H Week Photo Contest!

In honor of Ohio 4-H week, the Ohio 4-H Foundation is launching a ***This is Ohio 4-H!*** photo contest. This is a fun opportunity for youth members to submit their best work. Any 4-H member may submit photos there will be two age divisions. The winners will be featured in a special *Ohio 4-H Highlights* newsletter and used to promote 4-H around the state.

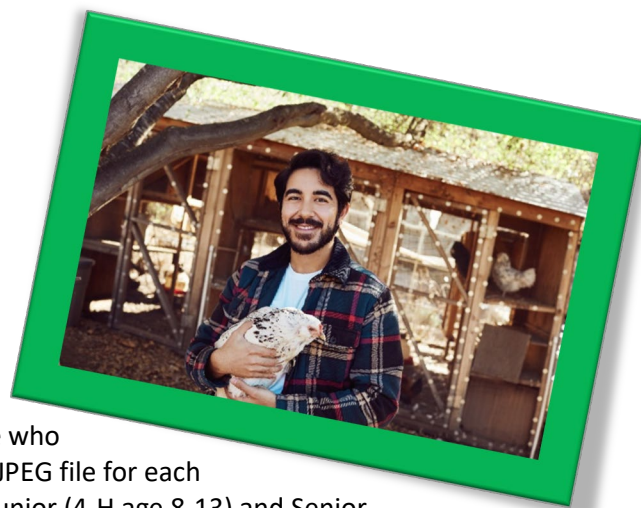
Instructions:

Help recognize the 4-H members, volunteers, or educators in your life who embody *This is Ohio 4-H!* by submitting your photos. Please submit a JPEG file for each photo. One photo may be submitted per category. Age divisions are Junior (4-H age 8-13) and Senior (4-H age 14-19). See Photo Contest Guidelines Below for more details.

Submissions for the Junior division: go.osu.edu/photocontestjr2023.

Submissions for the Senior division: go.osu.edu/photocontestsr2023.

All entries must be submitted no later than Wednesday, May 17.



Officer Shout Out!

Thank you to the following youth who attended the statewide 4-H Officer Virtual Training! Your participation in this training helps to improve your community 4-H Club and our county program!



State Officer Training

**Atlee- Sharpshooters
Anna- Guilford Go-Fers
Paige- Multiple Clubs
Kerrigan -Mallet Creek
Mea- Mallet Creek**

Thank you to the youth who attended the Statewide 4-H Officer Virtual Training on February 27th! Your participation in the program helps to improve your community 4-H Club!

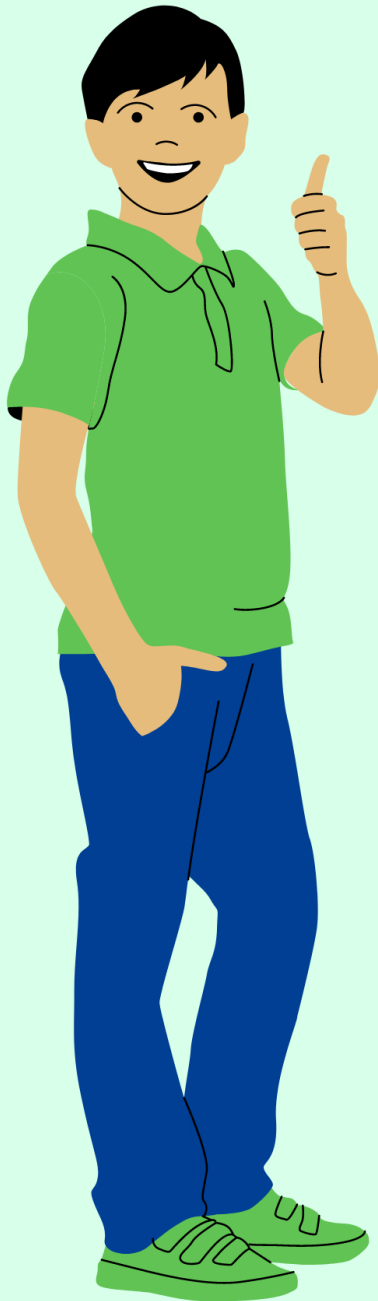
What is “good standing” in 4-H?

A member in “good standing” is someone who has completed all the requirements to participate in 4-H. Only members in good standing will receive a free fair pass. To be considered a member in good standing in Medina County 4-H you need to:

1. Pay your \$15 yearly dues (max of \$45 per family)
2. Take at least one project per club (max of 10 projects)
3. Attend 50% or more of your clubs’ meetings (but no less than 4 per year)
4. Follow all the rules in the 4-H Code of Conduct



YOUR 2023 4-H To Do List



1

**ENROLL AT
OH.4HONLINE.COM**

Everyone needs to enroll each year in 4-H Online. Go to <https://oh.4honline.com> and log in. Click the words "Enroll Now" beside the person's name. Check that all information is correct. Add the projects you will take for 2023. Hit "Submit" by April 17th.

2

**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.

3

**ORDER PROJECT
BOOKS**

There are three ways to order books in Medina County this year. With your club, online at extensionpubs.osu.edu, or stop in to purchase books available in the extension office.

4

**ENTER FAIR AT
FAIRENTRY.COM**

Fair Entry will open on April 18th and close on June 1st. You must complete fair entry in order to show any project at the Medina County Fair. Go to <https://fairentry.com> to register

QUESTIONS? 330-661-6405



Animal Updates



2023 Horse Program Requirements

EquiSTEP

As a reminder, ALL members taking a horse project in 2023 must complete the EquiSTEP Program online. EquiSTEP is an annual statewide requirement for all youth participating in Ohio 4-H Horse Program activities. EquiSTEP is designed to be completed online by each participant individually through Scarlet Canvas or administered in a group setting by a county 4-H educator to their participants, like QA (Quality Assurance) for livestock market projects.

Here is the link to enroll in/access EquiSTEP: go.osu.edu/equistep2023

Permission to Participate Form

The Permission to Participate form is still an annual statewide requirement for all youth participating in Ohio 4-H Horse Program activities. Here is a link to the form available online:

<https://ohio4h.org/sites/ohio4h/files/imce/PermissiontoParticipate2023.pdf>

Ohio Youth Poultry Clinic- March 18th



WHEN: March 18th

WHERE: OSU ATI, Wooster, OH

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: March 7th

COST: \$20.00 per youth and \$25.00 per adult.

Topics include Poultry Nutrition, Broiler Evaluation, Poultry Necropsy – Comparative Anatomy, Mortality Disposal, Biosecurity/HPAI, Poultry Carcass Cut-up, Q & A Corner.

Everyone MUST register to eat refreshments and/or lunch, whether attending sessions. Poultry Quality Assurance will be offered after lunch for Ohio youth needing Youth Quality Assurance certification for 2023.

Register at: <https://ohio4h.org/events/2023-ohio-youth-poultry-clinic>

Medina Sheep Clinic- April 16th



When: April 16th at from 2:00-4:00pm

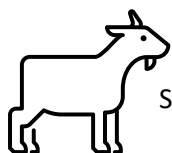
Where: 7433 Guilford Rd Seville, OH 44273

Register: [Sheep Clinic Sign Up](#)

This year the Medina County Sheep Committee is excited to be hosting a clinic for the new, intermediate, and old showmen. This event although geared towards new showmen, is a great learning opportunity for all! We have partnered up with local companies to educate you as a 4-H member on judging, picking out the right lamb, feeding your project and more! We are excited about this, and hope that you will come! Whether it is your first year or you have been showing sheep for years, we want to see you there! Parents are more than welcome to attend to learn as well. Plus, there may be some prizes involved! If you have any questions, please email Wyatt Kayser at: wyattk@innovativeaudiovisions.com

[Follow us on Facebook](#) for more information about the 2023 season

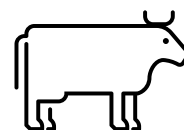
Market Goats Possession Deadline May 1



The state office would like you to know that the OSF Possession deadline for Market Goats is now **MAY 1st**, not May 26th. This is a recent change to be aware of if you want to show Market Goats at the State Fair.

Dairy Palooza

2023 DairyPalooza will take place April 22 at the Wayne County Fairgrounds. QA training and workshops will be offered in the afternoon related to dairy and the GPP content. More details and updates to follow in the first week of March. <https://ohio4h.org/statewide-programs/animal-sciences/dairy/events>.



[Click Here to Register for Quality Assurance](#)

Assuring Quality Care of Animals

If you have taken livestock projects for 3 or more years you can take the online YQCA. See Medina Website for link.

In-person dates and locations are below.

Medina County

January 16
10:00- Noon
Medina County Fair
Community Center

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1:00-3:00
Medina County Fair
Community Center

April 19
6:00-8:00
Medina County Fair
Community Center

Lorain County

February 20
10:00- Noon
Lorain County Fair

February 20
1:00-3:00
Lorain County Fair

May 2
6:00-8:00
Lorain County Fair

Summit County

March 22
6:00-8:00
Summit County Fair

Please Bring

- Clip Board or Something to write on
- Pencil or Pen
- Calculator

Earth Day NACD's Poster Contest: (Grades 7-12)

The National Association of Conservation Districts' yearly poster contest is open! Students have the chance to have their art displayed as part of a national conservation outreach initiative. It is open to public, private, and home-schooled students. The top three posters in each category of the national contest will receive monetary prizes.

This year's theme is One Water.

Contest Rules:

- Media: paint, crayon, colored pencil, stickers, paper, and other 2-dimensional supplies
- Size: 8.5"x11" and packaged so poster remains flat in mail
- All posters are to be created by an individual student, not a team of students
- A signed entry form (see below) needs to be taped on the poster's back to be eligible.
- Medina SWCD awards: 1st place-\$25, 2nd place- \$15, 3rd place-\$10

SWCD Evaluation: Conservation message (50%), Visual layout (30%), Originality (10%), General Appeal (10%)

Winners will be entered into the national contest. For more information: www.medinaswcd.org/student-programs/ or contact Abby Costilow at 330-722-9318, acostilow@medinaco.org



*** Mail or drop off posters by September 15 to Medina SWCD, 6090 Wedgewood Rd, Medina, Ohio 44256 ***

27TH ANNUAL MEDINA COUNTY **EARTH DAY FESTIVAL**

FREE FAMILY FUN EVENT

FOOD, ACTIVITIES & ENTERTAINMENT

April 22nd, 2023

10 AM - 4 PM

**KID'S
CRAFTS &
ACTIVITIES**

**RAFFLE
PRIZES**

**LIBRARY
BOOKMOBILE**



ECO FAIR & MARKET



**Nate the Great
Magic Show**
1:00 & 3:00 PM

Bring a houseplant
**HOUSE PLANT
SWAP**



BUG ZOO

**ANNUAL FAMILY
FISHING DERBY**

11:00 AM - 3:00 PM



**ALL DAY
FOOD TRUCKS**



ANNUAL EARTH DAY FESTIVAL

April 22nd, 10 AM - 4 PM

Buffalo Creek Retreat

8708 Hubbard Valley Rd., Seville

ABSOLUTLEY FREE



SCAN ME



@earth_day_medina_county



@medinacountyearthdayfestival

EXPLORING YOUR FUTURE AND GROWING A CAREER

VIRTUAL CAREER FAIR

MARCH 21, 2023

6:00 PM MDT VIA ZOOM

UNIVERSITY
OF WYOMING
EXTENSION



Meet with professionals in a variety of fields to explore your interests!
Scan the QR code to visit our website to learn more or get registered.

Ryan "Cal" Callaghan MEATEATER

Harley Rhodes Designer

Claver Street- Marathon K9 Academy

SCAN ME

**Questions?
Contact:
AMBER ARMAJO
amwall@uwyo.edu
(307)347-3431
WYOMING4H.ORG/VIRTUAL-CAREER-NIGHT**

Small Producer

Have you ever thought about being a zookeeper, a chef, a police dog trainer, doing livestock embryo transfer, an electrician or even being a doctor? Then this event is for YOU! Join us to explore a variety of career options and get your questions answered about what degree do you need, should you do an internship, what you need to do in high school to get ready for a career and much more! We will have door prizes we are giving away and lots of fun to be had throughout the evening. Join us March 21st at 6pm (MST) for a fun evening of exploring careers. For more information and to register for this free event go to: <https://wyoming4h.org/virtual-career-night/>

HAMBURG, NY

YOUTH LIVESTOCK EXPO

AUGUST 9-20, 2023

BEEF • GOAT • LAMB • HOG

**OPEN TO EXHIBITORS AGES 4-21 FROM
THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA**



PAYOUTS

PER SPECIE

GRAND CHAMPION	\$1000
RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION	\$750
HONORABLE MENTION	\$500
FOURTH OVERALL	\$300
FIFTH OVERALL	\$200

SHOWMANSHIP

GRAND CHAMPION	\$1000
RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION	\$750
DIVISION CHAMPION	\$100
RESERVE DIVISION CHAMPION	\$75

OPPORTUNITY TO SELL AT

AUCTION

SATURDAY, AUGUST 19 @ NOON

NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED

JUDGES

\$10,000

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



**PREMIUM BOOKS NOW AVAILABLE
ENTRY REGISTRATION OPENS MAY 1ST
VISIT [ECFAIR.ORG](https://ecfair.org)**

- 1** WIN 3 OF THE 4 GRAND CHAMPION SHOWMANSHIP AWARDS
- 2** WIN 3 OF THE 4 GRAND CHAMPION MARKET ANIMAL AWARDS

This is Ohio 4-H! Photo Contest

Sponsored by the Ohio 4-H Foundation

Since 1902, Ohio 4-H has championed and supported youth by inspiring curiosity, building lifelong skills, fueling adventure, and growing true leaders. Help recognize the 4-H members, Cloverbuds, volunteers, or educators in your life who embody *This is Ohio 4-H!* by submitting your photos to one or more of the categories outlined below. Any 4-H member may submit photos for the *This is Ohio 4-H! Photo Contest*. There will be two divisions, Junior (4-H age 8-13) and Senior (4-H age 14-19). All entries must be submitted by May 17. Winners will be notified by June 16.

Categories:

Show us the 4-H members, Cloverbuds, volunteers, or educators who have helped you:

- Inspire curiosity
- Build lifelong skills
- Fuel adventure
- Grow leaders
- Uncover new career pathways
- Create lasting friendships

Rules and Guidelines:

- Photo(s) should be the original work of the member and fit into one of the outlined categories.
- **Photos must include a 4-H member, Cloverbud, volunteer, or educator and 4-H apparel is strongly encouraged.**
- Use of copyrighted or protected characters or logos is not permitted, except for the 4-H emblem.
- Photos must be submitted electronically.
- Evaluation will be based on the quality, creativity, and originality of the photo.
- Winning photos from each category will be featured in a special *Ohio 4-H Highlights* newsletter and used to promote Ohio 4-H on our social media pages, newsletter, and in various publications throughout the year. Even if your photo is not selected as a winner, it may be used for promotional purposes.
- By submitting an entry, you give Ohio 4-H the right to use your photo(s) in print or electronic materials related to the promotion and recognition of the Ohio 4-H program. This could include, but is not limited to: 4-H brochures, impact reports, the Family Guide, etc. When photos are used, the 4-H member's first name and county may be displayed.

Submission:

Please submit a JPEG file for each photo. One photo may be submitted per category.

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If you have any questions, please email ohio4hfoundation@osu.edu.



SUMMER JOB OPPORTUNITIES AT KELLEYS ISLAND 4-H CAMP!

ki4hcamp.org/

*Spend your summer on the beautiful
Kelleys Island earning \$5,500-\$6,000!
Housing, ferry transpiration and meals are
all provided with **no extra cost.***

*Visit **ki4hcamp.org/employment** for
more information. Serious inquiries only.*

Hiring: Kitchen Staff • Naturalists • Lifeguards • Outdoor Recreation Leaders • Maintenance



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

