

***Email via 4HOnline sent November 3, 2020***

Greetings T-County 4-H!

Today is a super important day for our nation and a chance to let our voices be heard. If you have not already voted, I hope you do so before the polls close. Regardless of the outcome, we're all Americans and we're in this together. I wanted to send out an update email with a few reminders and information for the coming weeks. Please read over this information closely and let me know if you have any questions!

### **Older Youth Applications**

Older youth applications are due to the Extension office no later than this Friday, November 6 at 4:00 p.m. Please place them in the black drop box right outside the front door. In addition to submitting completed applications, applicants need to set their own interview time using SignUpGenius. Interview slots are first-come, first-serve, and will take place on November 16, 17, and 18. All new and returning camp counselor and Jr. Fair Board applicants need to turn in their FULL application (including a cover sheet) and be interviewed. If we do not receive your packet by November 6 at 4:00, your interview time will be released and you will not be eligible to apply. Youth only interested in Food and Fashion Board, Leadership Camp, Citizen Washington Focus, or Leadership Washington Focus need to submit a completed cover sheet but do not need an interview.

Applications, interview sign up, and additional information can be found at <https://go.osu.edu/olderyouth>.

### **Livestock Check Distribution – CHANGE**

Last month we sent out an email regarding changes to check distribution this year. Check distribution remains this Friday, November 6 from 4:30-6:30 p.m. and Saturday, November 7 from 10:00 a.m. to noon and will be a drive-thru at the **FAIRGROUNDS**. When arriving at the fairgrounds, **proceed to the overhang behind the grandstands**. We had planned to hold the drive-thru by the Clover Café but have recently been informed the Clover Café is rented out that day so we need to move to another spot. Representatives from the Jr. Fair committees will be there with the sale checks. Please have your thank-you cards ready when you pull up. If

something is missing/incorrect (no stamp, no address), you'll be asked to pull over into a waiting area and someone will assist you. Please do not exit your vehicle. If you do not have a stamp on your thank-you card, they will be available for \$1 each. If you need an address for a buyer, please email myself ([heckel.13@osu.edu](mailto:heckel.13@osu.edu)) or Astra ([armstrong.133@osu.edu](mailto:armstrong.133@osu.edu)) and we will assist you. Buyer lists (without addresses) are posted on our website: <https://tuscarawas.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/tuscarawas-county-junior-fair>. Project books are not required this year due to COVID.

### **Beef Tag-In**

Market beef tag-in will be December 12 from 9:00 a.m. to noon in the Main Show Arena at the Tuscarawas County Fairgrounds. For those with unavoidable scheduling conflicts, we have set aside December 14 from 6 to 7 p.m. You must pre-register for the 14<sup>th</sup> by calling the Extension office by December 10 (when leaving a message on our recorder, state your name, phone number, and number of animals you'll be bringing). If arrangements are not made by December 10, you will not be permitted to tag-in or exhibit. More information can be found at <https://tuscarawas.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/4-h-livestock/large-livestock-projects>

### **4-H Online Rollover**

4-H Online 1.0 is being updated to 4-H Online 2.0! We are excited about the new reports and features that will be available in the updated version. This is the time of year when the state pulls all of the data from the 4-H Online system for required reporting, so please do not log into your accounts at this time. If you need to make profile updates (i.e., phone numbers, address changes, etc.), please contact Astra ([armstrong.133@osu.edu](mailto:armstrong.133@osu.edu)) and she will make those changes for you. We will notify you when the 4-H Online 2.0 system is ready to go and you can start submitting enrollments for the 2021 program year!

### **2020 Club Secretary and Treasurer Books**

In order for the 4-H program (as a whole) to maintain its local/state/national tax status with the IRS, Kiersten must verify that certain criteria have been met by clubs within our program. Thus, clubs are required to submit their 2020 secretary and treasurer books. After much discussion, it has been decided that while the books are still required, clubs will have the option to have books

“graded” for outstanding secretary/treasurer consideration **or** simply submitted for “review” to ensure minimum club requirements were met (as stated in your club charter). We all know that 2020 has been difficult and clubs were not able to meet in person for the majority of the year. We also recognize that in some cases, due to the timing of club elections and the COVID shut down, some club secretaries and treasurers never received their books. Please submit what you are able to submit as an honest and truthful representation of your club year. Books will be due to the Extension office by the Friday before Martin Luther King Jr. Day (January 15, 2021).

### **2021 Ohio 4-H Family Guides**

The 2021 Ohio 4-H Family Guide is now up on the state webpage and can be accessed at <https://ohio4h.org/familyguide>.

The State 4-H Office is going to be mailing a Family Guide to everyone who was enrolled in 4-H during the 2020 program year. If you know of a family who dropped out of 4-H due to the circumstances this year but will want to return to the program in 2021, I have requested that a box of Family Guides be sent to our office. Hard copies of the Family Guide will be in a plastic tote by the drop box for people to pick up if they so choose (after we have received them).

### **Mental Health First Aid**

After the mental health session we held during the January 2020 Advisor Update, several advisors expressed an interest in becoming Mental Health First Aiders. We will be holding a virtual Mental Health First Aid training on Tuesday, December 2 from 10:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. If you are interested in registering, please let me know ASAP and I will send you the registration link. Participants are required to complete a 2-hour, self-paced online class in order to participate in the 4-hour, instructor-led training. This virtual option replaces the 8-hour in-person training that was previously offered for MHFA training. Registration will close two weeks prior to the training and seats for the class are on a first-come, first-serve basis. This training is FREE and designed for the general public.

Have a great remainder of your week!

Kiersten