Dear 4-H Volunteers, Parents, and Members:

We congratulate everyone who participated at the Ohio State Fair! County offices no longer receive county-specific results, but official results by category can be found at the following sites:

- Non-livestock: [http://www.ohio4h.org/families/ohio-state-fair](http://www.ohio4h.org/families/ohio-state-fair)
- 4-H Livestock events (livestock, horse, dog, and skillathons): [http://www.ohio4h.org/statewide-programs/animal-sciences](http://www.ohio4h.org/statewide-programs/animal-sciences)
- 2021 Competition Results: [https://ohiostatefair.com/competition-results/](https://ohiostatefair.com/competition-results/)

Important details are included in this newsletter to help ensure a smooth fair. Whether this is your 1st or 14th fair as a Jr. Fair participant, please read this information carefully and contact us with any questions. Also note changes to the 2021 schedule as listed in the Tuscarawas County Fair Book.

Fairgrounds Beautification – though there is no “official” Fairgrounds Work Day this year, there are still projects around the grounds that clubs can help with to spruce things up for fair. If you have a project in mind, please contact Kiersten (heckel.13@osu.edu) beforehand. She is keeping a running list of projects that clubs are doing.

Don’t forget to stop at the Clover Café during the fair for a great meal! This is our only fundraiser and supports the county 4-H program in many ways. If you or someone you know has four hours to volunteer with the Café during fair week, call Diane Glazer at 330-260-0760 for available shift times and to sign up. Members and parents can sign up without an entire club if wanted. High school students can use working in the Café to fulfill their community service credit for graduation.

If you are exhibiting an animal at the fair, make sure to read the Tuscarawas County Fair Book and review the Junior Fair Rules (beginning on page 44). Several questions can be answered on those pages, but don’t hesitate to contact us with any questions or concerns. The Jr. Fair Office number during fair week only is 330-364-9383.

The fair is the best 4-H marketing tool we have. Please remember that everyone needs to have a welcoming exhibit area and politely answer any questions. This is your chance to showcase your project. We need to work together fair week “To Make the Best Better” for 4-H’ers, advisors, families, friends, and fair attendees.

See you at the fair!

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4-H Motto
To Make the Best Better

4-H Pledge
I pledge

My Head to clearer thinking,  
My Heart to greater loyalty,  
My Hands to larger service,  
My health to better living for my club, my community, my country, and my world.
General Junior Fair Information

Project Completion Guidelines
In order to have completed a project all members must:
1. Have completed all local club guidelines and be in good standing;
2. Followed the club constitution;
3. Have attended an Interview Judging process.

Members should check with advisor regarding their status. If you have an incomplete project, you are not eligible to exhibit at the county fair.

Club Completion Sheets
Organizational Advisors are asked to verify members’ project(s) and club completion. This form specifies if members are exhibiting their project(s) and have completed everything necessary for the club in order to receive a fair wristband. These sheets determine wristband distribution and need to be completed by Monday, September 13 (as stated in the fair book on page 44); the sooner the better! This allows us enough time to get these ready for wristband distribution so no members are left waiting for an advisor to verify their enrollment.

Wristband Distribution
No wristbands will be distributed until Club Completion Sheets are returned by the advisor to the Extension office. Wristbands will be given only at the times listed. We only have them available to us at those times. Members/advisors/committee members must pick up their own wristband.

- Please remember that in order to receive a wristband a member (including Cloverbuds) must have met completion requirements and have an exhibit. Exhibiting at the fair means that members must either be taking an animal to the fair or have an educational display in a booth. Livestock posters in the barn or only a project book in a booth do not constitute a display.
- All advisors and committee members must be actively participating in the program in order to receive a wristband.
- Special arrangements must be made with the Extension office prior to September 13 if an animal is unable to be taken and a member needs booth space to set up a display (if their club doesn’t have a fair booth).

Update from the Senior Fair Office
The Senior Fair Board office has parking passes for $20. These are valid for the entire week of the fair for parking on the grounds any time there is space available. Feed can be delivered to the barns during the hours of 9:00 p.m. through 7:30 a.m. without a parking pass. Exceptions to these times may be necessary for the safety of the fair attendees and at the discretion of the parking personnel. Passes are available ONLY to JUNIOR and SENIOR Fair Participants with a limit of 2 passes per family. All vehicles will need a parking pass to enter the parking area. Daily parking is $5 per day for those without the parking pass. Sr. Fair Board office hours are August 16 - September 11; Monday - Friday 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

We recommend those individuals needing to bring feed onto the fairgrounds during the week do so in the morning. There is a greater chance of finding an infield parking space in the morning than later in the day.

Royalty Contest, Jr. Leader Award, 4-H Committee Scholarship, and Project Recognition Winners Announced
The Tuscarawas County Fair Royalty (king and queen), the Sandy Wardell Outstanding Jr. Leader Award recipient, and the 4-H Committee Scholarship winners will be announced September 19 at 6:30 p.m. in the Livestock Arena.

Individuals winning first place in their 4-H Miscellaneous, FCS winners, and Food & Nutrition projects as well as State Fair Clothing delegates, public speaking contest winners, and Companion Animal/Dog Show champions will receive their plaques at an awards ceremony on September 19 at 7 p.m. Those wishing to include their plaque with their project in a booth will have until 9 p.m. to do so without the club receiving a penalty.

Quilts of Valor
Any clubs that have completed a Quilts of Valor project must contact Chris Kendle to be part of the Quilts of Valor presentation on Sunday, September 19 at 7:00 p.m.

Clover Café Vouchers
Similar to our county commodity groups, the 4-H Committee is selling pre-paid Clover Café vouchers. $5 vouchers can be purchased beginning at 12 noon on Friday, September 17 in the Clover Café and will also be available during wristband distribution. Checks for vouchers should be made payable to the Tuscarawas County 4-H Committee.
General Junior Fair Information, cont.

**Cloverbud Club**
Join us for fun Cloverbud fun activities on Saturday, September 25, at 10 a.m. in front of the Grandstand. **Pre-registration is required.** Forms will be available at wristband distributions. This event is for currently enrolled Cloverbuds. Registration forms are due no later than September 22 to the Jr. Fair Office.

**Sponsor Thank You Notes**
Individuals and businesses have been gracious to purchase plaques and trophies for our members. A great way to show our appreciation is by writing a thank you.
- **Plaque winners** will receive a thank you along with their plaque packet. These should be returned to the Jr. Fair office by September 26.
- **Trophy winners** must complete and return a thank you note prior to receiving their trophy. Exhibitors will be provided with a card, sponsor’s address, and envelope. Postage will be paid. Return the card to the Jr. Fair office following the show, at which time the exhibitor will receive their trophy.

**Jr Fair T-Shirts**
The Jr. Fair Board will be selling 2021 Jr. Fair t-shirts. Pre-order for pick up at fair or order at the fair for pick up at check distribution. Order forms available on the Older Youth Facebook page and at the Jr. Fair Board office.

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**Want to Raise Some Money for Next Year’s Camp Fees?**
The Tuscarawas County 4-H Committee offer the opportunity to receive a $20 voucher to be applied toward camp cost. Members must work and complete a full 4-hour shift in the Clover Café during fair week in order to receive the voucher. Members will have a form to fill out at the Clover Café which must be signed by the shift supervisor and another adult working with the child. This will be kept on file at the Extension office.

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**Fair Booth Information**

**Helpers Needed for Set-Up & Tear Down**
Volunteers are needed to set up the fair booth structures on **September 8** at 6 p.m. We will begin work in the Commercial Building. The more help we have, the quicker the job will go! Tear down is **September 29** at 6 p.m. **All help is appreciated!**

**Booth Assignments**
The Fair Booth Assignment maps will be distributed to Organizational Advisors as well as being posted on our [web site](https://tuscarawas.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/tuscarawas-county-junior-fair). There will be no booth guarding this year. Please do not put valuable items in fair booths.

**Booth Decorating**
All Fair Booth information regarding regulations and decorating are on our [web site](https://tuscarawas.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/tuscarawas-county-junior-fair). Please carefully review this information while planning and setting up your club’s booth. A timer switch must be used to turn lights and electronic items off at 10 p.m. and on at 9 a.m.

It is recommended that booths be set up **September 18 and September 19** from 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. Booths must be in place by 6 p.m. on Sunday (plaques for 1st place winners may be placed until 9 p.m.). **Please note that pictures with names attached and full names of members are not required.**

**4-H Miscellaneous Booth**—If a club has three or fewer educational exhibits and has made prior arrangements for those to be displayed, those exhibits must be brought to the Jr. Fair Board office by 6 p.m. September 18.

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**Tuscarawas County 4-H Committee Scholarship**
The 4-H Committee’s annual scholarship application has been updated and posted on our website. The Tuscarawas County 4-H Committee is sponsoring scholarships for 2021 in the amount of $250 each. Individuals who are high school seniors or in their final year of 4-H and are currently enrolled in any course of study at an accredited post-secondary institution (or will be enrolled by August 2022) may apply. Applicants must also have been in the Tuscarawas County 4-H Program for the last 5 consecutive years. Applications are due to the Extension Office by 4:00 p.m. on September 10. Recipients will be recognized on Sunday, September 19, at the 4-H Awards Recognition Ceremony.

The scholarship was established by the Tuscarawas County 4-H Committee in honor of 4-H friends and fellow leaders. It aids current 4-H members in their efforts towards obtaining a Certificate/Associate or Bachelor’s Degree. This is a one-time-only scholarship. Link to the scholarship: [http://go.osu.edu/Tusc4-HCommitteeScholarship](http://go.osu.edu/Tusc4-HCommitteeScholarship)

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**Educational Fair Exhibits**
Booths are to be a cooperative effort of both advisors and members. The **main purpose for 4-H booths is to display non-livestock educational exhibits and promote 4-H in a creative, educational way. Those not bringing an animal to the fair should also have an educational display.** Members exhibiting a livestock project are also permitted to have an educational booth display. 4-H livestock projects can be acknowledged, but should not be the main emphasis of a booth.

As a reminder: An educational exhibit illustrates or describes some aspect of the project (see individual project guidelines). Observers should learn something about the members’ project work by viewing their exhibit.

Fair premiums will only be awarded to those members who have an educational exhibit OR animal on display.

**Community Service Booth**
We would like to highlight the service clubs provide to the community. Showcase your community service pictures on a 12x12 sheet of paper (preferably solid colored) and bring them to the Jr. Fair office to be included in the booth. Clubs can submit multiple activities. One page per activity please.

**Fair Ribbons**
Advisors can pick up ribbons for club booths at the Jr. Fair office on:

- **September 17**: 4 - 6 p.m.
- **September 18**: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
- **September 19**: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

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Drug Use Notification Forms (DUNF)
Every year, our exhibitors with market animals or animals in lactation (during exhibition) are required by the Ohio Department of Agriculture to fill out a Drug Use Notification Form (DUNF). This year, ODA has requested that instead of using paper forms, as we’ve done in the past that we switch to the online DUNF’s. Several counties pilot tested this version last year and we heard a lot of positive feedback. DUNF’s must be filled out PRIOR to your animal stepping foot on the grounds in order to exhibit but it’s not necessary to do it just yet! We just want you to be aware of this change and how to access the online DUNF. With the DUNF now moving online, this should make the process of collecting and submitting this information to ODA much more efficient. As a reminder, your animal must be drug-free before it steps onto the fairgrounds for exhibition. Please complete a DUNF for each animal no later than Wednesday, September 15. You can access the online DUNF here: go.osu.edu/2021TuscDUNF

School Absences
Letters will be sent to the exhibitor’s school listed on their Jr. Fair Livestock Entry. We ask that the schools grant excused absence for the day of show. The other days members request must be arranged between the school and the member.

Back Numbers
The new FairEntry system generates the back numbers for exhibitors. Each exhibitor will have one back number regardless of the number of species shown. Back numbers will be available for pick-up beginning Saturday, September 18 at the Junior Fair Board Office. Exhibitors must keep this back number for the entire week of fair.

Pen Assignments
If you haven’t heard, beef, hog, and poultry numbers are up this year. Please be patient while junior and senior fair staff work on plans to accommodate and house everyone comfortably.

Pen assignments will be posted the Wednesday evening before fair. We encourage you to know where your pen is and have it ready before you check in your animal. This will help make check in less stressful for everyone.

DO NOT switch pens without approval from an Extension professional.

Livestock Bedding
Each exhibitor is responsible for the proper bedding of their livestock project. Check the Tuscarawas County Fair Book for species specific guidelines. There will be no stock piling of bedding and several vendors will have baled shavings for sale on the grounds. It is suggested that each exhibitor take all steps to ensure that clean bedding is under their animal at all times throughout the week. In some cases, it is necessary to spread livestock lime, then shavings, and then straw or mulch to absorb the urine and the ammonia odor. Cleaning of pens is essential!

Clean Barns
Keeping the pen and area around it clean and dry is very important. Sweeping is an essential part of your animal project care. This process needs to be done more than once a day and is everyone’s responsibility. We want to send a positive message regarding the care of animals to all fair-goers and prospective buyers. Large crowds view the barns in the evening, so keep the pens clean.

Another part of care is to have the animals’ feed and water in containers that won’t spill or tip. Cleanliness and care is a constant job while your animal is at the fair.

Because of congestion and the number of hogs in the aisle, please DO NOT clean out hog pens during the shows on Tuesday or Wednesday, or the sale on Thursday. The Sr. Fair Board recommends that clubs limit the number of wheel barrows in the hog barn due to limited space.

ALL pens for rabbits, goats, sheep, and hogs must be completely cleaned out by 8:00 p.m. Sunday, September 26 or immediately following the loading out of your market livestock. 24 inches of bedding must be pulled away and cleaned between bedding and back wall for beef and dairy cattle. It is recommended that horse stalls be cleaned out Monday or Tuesday following fair. DO NOT clean out the pen while the animal is still in it!

Champions of Animal Care & 4-H Booth Awards
The Tuscarawas County Farm Bureau will again be sponsoring the Champions of Animal Care and 4-H Booth Exhibit awards at the fair. A rotating sign will be presented each day in each specie class. The club earning the most points for the week will receive a $50 Club Award.

One outstanding booth will be chosen and winning sign will be displayed during the fair. The winning club will receive a $50 Club Award.

Fight the Hunter, Stock the Trailer Campaign
We’ve been challenged to participate in Farm Credit Mid-America and Rural 1st’s Fight the Hunter, Stock the Trailer Campaign! There are 13 counties participating in this competition. The top three counties will win monetary prizes that go to support their junior fair.

T-County is in it to win it! We are inviting all clubs to participate and will be providing prizes to the club that donates the most items as determined by weight in each of three club size levels. Level 1: 5-10 members, Level 2: 11-20 members, and Level 3: 21-40 members. We will also be accepting monetary donations. Cash conversion will be $1=1 item or 1lb. There will be a trailer at fair to collect all of the canned goods and it will be weighed at fair with a Farm Credit representative in attendance. Prizes will be awarded based on total pound of food donated and all items will be donated to the Twin City Christian Service Center. If you have questions, please reach out to Jackie Schupp at 330-407-9095 or to Senior Fair Board Director, Doug Wills. Thank you for your consideration of helping out for a worthy cause!
Sale and Buyer Information

Jr. Fair Sale Information
Normally, we would have sent out buyers passes and a flyer to the previous year’s buyers by now; however, with the transition to the new FairEntry system, we want to make sure we have the details correct before we get it sent out. Those who purchased an animal in 2020 will receive a buyer’s pass and an updated sale flyer with 2021 information very soon!

If you or a buyer you are working with would like to pre-register for the sale, they can do so now online. It is very quick to complete and will save them a significant amount of time when they arrive at the fairgrounds. Visit http://go.osu.edu/2021TuscFairBuyerReg.

With the positive feedback from last year’s sale, we are sticking with the hybrid format again this year. Because it is necessary to have sale information to our partners in advance, please note that sale orders will be random once again following the Top 10 in each specie. This decision was made by the Jr. Fair Sales Committee and is also listed in the Tuscarawas County Fair book on page 48, Rule 31. All sales will take place in the Main Arena. See sale dates, times, and sale orders below.

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As a reminder, youth can only receive proceeds from TWO sales. If a member is exhibiting more than two animals and eligible for more than two revenue generating sales, the member must declare from which two sales he/she wishes to receive proceeds from 24 hours prior to the first sale. The proceeds from the third sale will be retained by the respective committee (Tuscarawas County Fair Book, page 48, rule 30).

Market Animal Non-Sale Forms
Any market steer, market lamb, or market goat exhibitor who does not wish to sell their animal must turn in a Non-Sale Form to the Jr. Fair office following the completion of their respective show and at least 24 hours prior to their respective sale. Forms will be available at the Jr. Fair office. All market poultry (ducks, broilers, turkeys), market rabbits, and market hogs must go through the auction. All Grand and Reserve champion animals must be slaughtered.

Tips for Approaching Buyers
When talking to potential buyers, let them know what order the animals will sell (see above). Let them know that you are a Jr. Fair exhibitor and ask them for their support. Here are a few guidelines to keep in mind when contacting buyers.

1. **Be polite!** If you are visiting in person, introduce yourself and give your reason for visiting. If the potential buyer does not appear interested, thank them and leave. Do not interrupt them while they are waiting on a customer or if they appear busy.

2. Remember, you are **inviting** them to the sale and inviting them to **consider purchasing** an animal/product. Let the potential buyers know that you are a 4-H or FFA member, and that you hope they will consider supporting the Jr. Fair Sales. It is not appropriate to pressure a potential buyer into buying your animal.

3. Please remember that potential buyers receive several letters and visits and cannot buy everyone’s animal.

4. Give the potential buyer the time and date of the sales. Let them know they will be recognized through advertisements in the newspaper and at the fair.

5. If you are writing to potential buyers, keep in mind that neatly written letters are a must!

6. If someone purchased your animal the previous year, please give them a call or note and invite them to the sale again.

7. Sale orders will be random following the Top 10 in each specie. Sale catalogs will be posted online by Wednesday, Sept. 22.

8. When a buyer purchases your animal/product, please tell them “thank you” personally as soon as possible. When considering a token of appreciation for your buyers, please keep in mind that they often buy multiple animals and do have to walk to their cars. Delivering something at their business after the fair might be more convenient for everyone.

Sale Check Pick Up
Check pick up will be **November 5 from 4:30-6:30 p.m. or November 6 from 10:00 a.m.—Noon at Broadway United Methodist Church.** Checks will be distributed for small livestock, market livestock, and dairy (November 6 only). **Thank yours are due along with completed record books.** All envelopes must be properly addressed, have a return address, and proper postage affixed.