

Email via 4-H Online sent April 10, 2024

Hello T-County 4-H!

This update is packed with information and upcoming events. Members who have not submitted their current year enrollment or are awaiting approval may not receive this email, so please read and share!

Tuscarawas County 4-H Square Dance

Please join us (and bring a friend) for the Tuscarawas County 4-H Square and Line Dance on **Friday, April 12, 7-10 p.m. at the Ragtown Coop** (8600 Crooked Run Rd. SW, Sugarcreek). Admission is **free** although we will be accepting donations to offset the cost of the dance with any proceedings benefitting the Tuscarawas County Junior Leaders. All are welcome! Drinks and snacks will be available for purchase.

Enrollment Deadline

Enrollments are due April 15, 2024. Contact our office if you have any enrollment questions or challenges – we are happy to help! Enrollment information can also be found on our website at <https://tuscarawas.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/4-h-parents-and-volunteers/4-h-enrollment>.

Livestock Quality Assurance

Quality Assurance (QA) is a requirement put forth by the Ohio Department of Agriculture for youth who are exhibiting livestock at a county fair. If you are taking an animal to the fair (whether 4-H or FFA), you **MUST** complete an approved QA program.

Remaining sessions will be held:

- **Monday, April 15, 6:30 PM at Dover Middle School**
- **Sunday, April 21, 2:00 PM, Union Hill UMC** (Registration begins at 1:30 PM) – Dairy Emphasis

Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) is an online based QA and is also available to members but remember, it does cost a small fee that cannot be waived as this platform does not belong to Ohio State. More info on QA (including YQCA) can be found on our website: <https://go.osu.edu/tusc4-hqa>.

Members completing QA at a state event or online must provide proof of their completion and stop by the office to pick up their county QA packet (must be signed for) by May 31.

Horse EquiSTEP

Members taking a horse project must complete EquiSTEP annually. EquiSTEP, the horse program equivalent of Quality Assurance, is a state requirement that must be completed before participating in any workouts or riding in other 4-H horse related activities. You can access the EquiSTEP program here: <https://cfaesosu.catalog.instructure.com/courses/EquiSTEP-2024>. EquiSTEP must be completed by May 17.



Market Poultry Projects

If you plan to exhibit market chickens, market ducks, or market turkeys at the fair this year, you need to submit a poultry order form and payment to our office **by April 15**. The form can be found at <https://tuscarawas.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/4-h-livestock/small-animals>.

Self-Determined Projects

All members taking a general self-determined project (#365) do not have a book that is ordered through the club book order but do need to complete a self-determined project plan and submit it to the office by June 3. The project plan can be accessed by members online at https://tuscarawas.osu.edu/sites/tuscarawas/files/imce/Program_Pages/4H/Guidelines/%23365%20Self-Determined%20Project%20Plan%20CFAES2024%20FILLABLE.pdf.

Those taking a self-determined idea starter (list and project guides found at https://ohio4h.org/selfdetermined?_gl=1*1dj3upb*_ga*MTU4MTgxNjQ1NS4xNzEwODU4MDI5*_ga_09WC99HMPE*MTcxMjY3OTMwNC4xOC4xLjE3MTI2Nzk0NjkuNDMuMC4w) **do not need to complete the project plan**, but should bring their completed idea starter project guide to judging.

Animal Clinics and Learning Opportunities

The **Carroll County Show Stock Seminar**, sponsored by Carroll County Farm Bureau and OSU Extension, will be held on **April 20** at the Carrollton Livestock Auction Barn. The event, which runs from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., is free and open to any youth exhibitor. Sessions include chickens, sheep, hogs, goats, and cattle. (Flyer available in the March 12 4-H Newsletter.)

Tuscarawas County Horse Camp will be held June 1 at the Tuscarawas County Fairgrounds. Register online at go.osu.edu/TuscHorseCamp or use the QR code, right. See attached flyer for more information. A county **horse show** will follow on June 2.



Older Youth Beef Production Field Day is an opportunity for youth 14 and older to learn about the beef industry. The event will be held on June 15 and costs \$30 for youth and \$15 for parents. Registration is limited to the first 30 youth and can be found at go.osu.edu/2024youthbeefday.

4-H Camp Registration Open!

4-H Camp registration is open through May 31 (or when camp limit is met) at <http://go.osu.edu/4-HCampPiedmontRegistration>.

Pepperoni Fundraiser Pick Up

Those who participated in the 4-H Camp Pepperoni Roller fundraiser can **pick up their orders on Friday, April 26 at the Clover Café, 3-6 p.m.**

Scholarship Opportunities

The **4-H Committee Scholarship** is due by 4 p.m. on April 15. Applications are available at https://tuscarawas.osu.edu/sites/tuscarawas/files/imce/Program_Pages/4H/OlderYouth/2024%20Tuscarawas%20County%204-H%20Scholarship%20Application.pdf.

The **Neil Wise Scholarship Fund** will be awarding 2024 scholarships to current and past Tuscarawas County Junior Fair Livestock exhibitors. Applications are due by April 22 can be found at <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61557963472134>.

The **Tuscarawas County Jr. Fair Dairy Committee** is offering a \$500 scholarship to qualified applicants. Members do not need to be enrolled in dairy projects to apply. Application forms are available at the Extension office and are due by May 5.

4-H Event Youth Assistant (4HEYA) applications are now available!

This is an opportunity for teens 13-18 as of January 1 to get a short-term experience at the state level. Applications are available at go.osu.edu/4HEYAapp and are due by May 15, 2024. They also require 2 reference forms (one from a 4-H/Extension professional), so be prepared to fill out some of those. Want more info about the opportunity? Visit the website at <https://go.osu.edu/4HEYA>.

Shooting Sports Education Camp

Ohio 4-H Shooting Sports Camp registration is now open! Ohio 4-H **Junior** Shooting Sports Camp is for grades 3-6 and will be held at Canter's Cave 4-H Camp June 7-9 (registration due May 6). Ohio 4-H **Senior** Shooting Sports Camp is for grades 7-12 and will be held at Canter's Cave 4-H Camp July 14-19 (registration due June 13). Additional camp related information can be found at <https://ohio4h.org/families/members/events-opportunities/shooting-sports/4-h-shooting-ed-camp>. NOTE: counselor information is found at the very top of this web page – scroll down for Junior and Senior camp information!

Twisted X Partnership

Twisted X and National 4-H have partnered to develop a new 4-H footwear collection. Check out the complete collection at <https://twistedx.com/pages/4h-collection>.

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