

4-H Family Newsletter – May/June 2022

Dear Williams County 4-H Youth, Families and Volunteers, I want to begin by welcoming our new and returning 4-H families to the program! I look forward to working with you in 2022! This year we will be fully back in-person for all events returning us to the hands-on foundation that 4-H was founded on. Additionally, we will be navigating together a large change to our Junior Fair Livestock Sale, which will be moving to Thursday September 15 rather than our traditional Saturday sale. Watch for more detailed fair schedule announcements coming in the near future.

Please take time to review the 2022 Williams County 4-H Handbook. The handbook is located online at: <https://williams.osu.edu/sites/williams/files/imce/4H/4H%20Handbook%202022.pdf> . This book contains a lot of information – rules, expectations, opportunities, and project requirements.

Sincerely,



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Monday-Friday 8:00 am – 4:30 pm



County Updates

Project Judging

4-H project judging events will be here before we know it! Members are reminded to be working on your 4-H projects so you are not overwhelmed at the last minute. Set a goal to cook 2 recipes per week or complete 3 pages per week in your project book. This will make the project experience much more enjoyable for everyone involved. Please be sure to have the correct judging date(s) reserved on your family calendar.

Project Category	Judging Date
Miscellaneous Projects – including shooting sports, small animals, creative arts, cake decorating, etc. (everything that is not livestock, food and nutrition or clothing)	Evening of Tuesday, July 12 @ Veterans’ Building
Food & Nutrition Projects	Morning of Thursday, July 14 @ Veterans’ Building
Clothing projects	Afternoon/early evening of July 14 @ Veterans’ Building
<i>Project & judging requirements can be found in the 2022 Williams County Family Handbook</i>	<i>Exact judging times will be released in June.</i>

Project judging is a chance for members to share what they have learned throughout their project, and members are highly encouraged to attend the county-wide judging event. An early miscellaneous project judging will be offered on June 28, from 9:00am-4:00pm. Please contact the Extension office to schedule an appointment for early judging. **Members that do not participate in the county judging on July 12/14 are only eligible for A, B, or C grades, not State Fair or other honors.**

Booth Theme Poster Contest

All 4-H youth members are encouraged to submit a booth theme poster by **May 10** to the OSU Extension office. Posters are reviewed by the Williams County 4-H Advisory Council to determine a booth theme for this year. The first place theme will be used by each 4-H Club to design and decorate their 4-H Club booth at the Williams County Fair. First place poster will win \$45.00, second place will win \$30.00, and third place will win \$15.00.

Booth Poster Guidelines

- Standard 22” X 18” poster board
- No 3-D objects protruding from poster
- Poster should be in color, not just black & white
- Must display an original 4-H promotion booth theme
- Use of copyrighted slogans and characters is prohibited, but the use of the 4-H Clover is allowed

Family & Consumer Science Projects

Sewing Camp

Tuesday, June 14
 9am – 4 pm; Center Township Building
 4266 CR 12, Bryan
 Open to sewing project members in Williams County.

Please contact the office to reserve your spot by June 10.

This is a great chance to work on your 4-H project! Please come prepared with pre-washed material, pattern, sewing box, thread, notions, LUNCH, own machine (if possible), etc. Having an adult attend with you is helpful and encouraged. Master Clothing Educator (Donna Missler) will be available to offer assistance with your project questions. If you don't own a machine, Donna will provide one for you. Call or email to RSVP number of people attending, need a machine or bringing your own. 419-636-5608 or ford.806@osu.edu

4-H Jr. Camp and Cloverbud Camp

4-H Jr. Camp and Cloverbud Camp Registration Open

4-H Jr. Camp will be held June 5-8 at 4-H Camp Palmer. Youth at least 8 years old and in the 3rd grade through age 13 are eligible to attend.

Cloverbud Camp will be held June 8 at 4-H Camp Palmer. Cloverbud Camp is open to youth at least 5 years old and in K-2nd grade (as of January 1).

Registration forms were sent to families with eligible members, but additional forms can be found at <https://williams.osu.edu/camp>. Please read the information closely and be sure to complete all required forms, as well as attach a photograph to the health form.

Friends who are not in 4-H can also attend camp! Make sure to register soon, as sessions are filled on a first-come, first-served basis. **All Camp Registrations must be received in our office by May 13 .**

Directions to 4-H Camp Palmer

The address is: **Camp Palmer 26450 Co. Rd. MN, Fayette, Ohio 43521**

Traveling North on US 127, turn right on Williams County Road O and follow the 4-H Camp Palmer and Harrison Lake State Park signs. This road turns into Fulton County Road M. Take County Rd M until it turns left on to Fulton County Road 27-1, then turn left onto Fulton County Rd 27, travel 0.5 mile, turn right onto Fulton County Rd MN and follow the signs to Camp Palmer.

Camp Store & Bank Available

A Camper's Bank will be provided for those campers who wish an Extension Staff member to take care of their money during the time at camp. It is recommended that they do not have more than \$10, and that money deposited to the Camper's Bank is in small bills. More expensive items such as t-shirts, hoodies, and sweatpants can be purchased during check-in and check-out.

The camp store will be open occasionally during free time to allow campers the option to purchase snacks and other camp items. Parents/guardians and campers are welcome to visit the store during registration and check-out to make purchases as well. View a Camp Store price list with pictures at <https://williams.osu.edu/camp>.

Camp Mail and Communication

Campers may receive mail via USPS. Please remember to be certain letters are mailed early to be received at camp by 6/8. No mail will be forwarded to campers after Williams County 4-H Camp has ended. The **EMERGENCY ONLY** number at Camp is 419-237-2247. There is no camper access to a phone at camp. **Absolutely no** cell phones are to be brought to camp.

Name of Camper c/o 4-H Camp Palmer 26450 Co. Rd. MN Fayette, Ohio 43521
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Animal Science Projects

Livestock & Horse Quality Assurance

All youth planning to exhibit market animals or animals that produce marketable by-products (eggs, milk, etc.) are required to attend annual LQA training each year (unless they have previously tested-out). This includes beef, sheep, swine, poultry, rabbit and goat projects. Youth not completing the LQA requirement will not be able to exhibit at the Ohio State fair or Williams County Fair with livestock.

Final 2022 LQA dates:

May 19, 6:30 pm Henry Co.
May 26, 6:30pm Fulton Co.

Registration Link:

<http://go.osu.edu/nwohioqa2022>

New in 2022– Horse Quality Assurance can only be completed by completing the EquiSTEP (Equine Safety, Training, and Education Program). Members that are enrolled in a horse or other equine project will need to complete EquiSTEP on-line training and submit proof of completion certificate to the Williams County OSU Extension Office by 6/1/2022 Link to the program: <http://go.osu.edu/EquiSTEP>

Animal Project Possession Dates

Possession dates are approaching for 4-H livestock and other animal projects.

Exhibitors should refer to the Livestock Chart at the back of their County Handbook for more information related to their project requirements.

PLEASE NOTE: These are possession dates only and may differ from age requirements of the animal. Refer to the Livestock Chart in the back of the County Handbook for additional age requirements.

Project Type	Possession Date
Market Steers	Jan. 1 or official tagging date (whichever comes first)
Dogs	April 1
Small animals – pocket pets, pet rabbit, cat, cavy and other Self -Determined small animals	May 1
Feeder calves & breeding beef animals	June 1
Market & breeding sheep	June 1
Market & breeding goats	June 1
Alpacas & Llamas	June 1
Horses	June 1
Market Swine	June 1
Breeding Rabbits	June 1
Market Rabbits	Roaster – June 1 Pen of 3 & Single fryer– Doe owned by June 1
Poultry	Fancy poultry – June 1 Market Chickens - July 23 Market Turkeys – May 4 Market Ducks & Geese – May 4

Important Dates and Reminders

<p>Livestock Forms due June 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Market swine ID forms • Dairy IDs • Dairy Lease agreements • Horse IDs • Horse permission to participate • EquiSTEP completion forms <p>Forms should have come with your books, but additional forms are available at the office or at https://williams.osu.edu/projects.</p>	<p>Equine Vaccinations</p> <p>Equine exhibitors should have their horses vaccinated according to fair requirements no later than June 9.</p> <p>Vaccination forms were in project books and are available at https://williams.osu.edu/horse.</p> <p>The fair vet will be available at horse measuring on June 9 for those still needing the vaccinations.</p>
<p>Required Animal Tagging</p> <p>Saturday, June 4, 8-11 am Williams County Fairgrounds</p> <p>Tagging is required for market lambs, market goats, beef feeders and dairy feeders. Project animals can also be weighed to record a starting weight, if desired. Animals weighed on this date will automatically be entered in the rate of gain contests. <i>Market lamb "County Born and Raised" forms due at tagging.</i></p>	<p>Equine PAS Registration OPEN</p> <p>Members interested in participating at the Ohio State Fair with their equine project must qualify to do so. If interested, member must register for the show(s) they plan to participate in.</p> <p>Information and event schedules and registration can be accessed at: https://ohio4h.org/animalsciences/horse/pas-qualifying-shows</p>
<p>Rabbit and Poultry Workshop</p> <p>August 13, 9am Williams County Fairgrounds</p> <p>A Rabbit and Poultry Workshop/Clinic will be held in August. Watch for further details in the coming months.</p> <p>This will also provide an opportunity for rabbit tattooing and poultry pullorum testing (if needed).</p>	<p>Equine Measuring –June 9</p> <p><i>6:30 -7:30 pm, Horse Barn, Fairgrounds</i></p> <p>All equine planning to be exhibited in the Williams County Jr. Fair are required to obtain an official height. These heights will be used to determine if the equine will exhibit in the horse or pony classes at the fair. Horses measure 58" or above and ponies are below 58". Once a horse has measured 58" (or above) or has reached 5 years of age, they do not need to return to measuring. If this is the first time an equine will be shown at the fair, a height measurement is required, regardless of age.</p>

2022 Williams County 4-H Calendar

January

- 1 New Years Day, Office Closed
- 7 Achievement Forms Due
- 7 County Scholarship Apps Due
- 15 DNA/EID Kits Due: 2022 OSF Mkt Beef Show
- 16 Advisor Training, 1pm Wms. Co. Conservation Club
- 17 MLK Holiday, Office Closed
- 31 Club Registration & Treasury Report Due
- 31 MXC Registration Due by Noon

February

- 3 Advisor Training, 6-8pm Edon Fire Hall
- 5 Livestock Quality Assurance, 9am Gillette Bldg
- 8 Advisory Council Mtg, 7pm
- 11 Registration for Ohio 4-H Conference Due
- 19-20, MXC Counselor Workshop

March

- 5 Endowment Fundraiser
- 6-12, Ohio 4-H Week
- 8 4-H Advisory Council, 7pm
- 12 Ohio Conference, Columbus
- 15 State Leadership Camp Commitment Forms Due
- 26 WC Maple Syrup Fest Fairgrounds 8am-12pm
- 29 Turkey Order Forms Due

April

- 1 4-H Enrollment Due for returning members
- 2 Pancake Bfast Fundraiser, Edon Fire Hall 7am-11am
- 12 Advisor Training 5:30pm at First Church of Christ, Bryan, Make up session, LAST SESSION AVAILABLE
- 12 4-H Advisory Council, 7pm at First Church of Christ
- 15 Final 4-H Enrollment due for new members
- 25 Livestock Quality Assurance, 7pm Gillette Building
- 25 Camperships Due
- 30 State Leadership Camp Reg & Payments Due

May

- 1 Wms Co Fair Royalty Appl Due to Wms Co Fair Office by 5pm
- 2 Due Dog ID Forms, Perm to Part., Vaccine Forms
- 6 Early Bird Jr. Camp Registration (Save \$10)
- 6 Cooper Turkey Pick-Up 10-4:30pm
- 6 Booth Poster Contest Due
- 6 Horse Royalty Applications due to Extension Office
- 10 4-H Advisory Council, 7pm
- 13 Final Jr. Camp & Cloverbud Camp Registration Due
- 15 Horse Royalty Interviews, 4PM Horse Arena, Fairgrounds
- 16 Poultry Royalty Application Due to Extension Off.
- 23 Endowment Meeting 6:30pm Extension Office
- 30 Office Closed, Holiday

June

- 1 - 5 State Leadership Camp
- 1 Due Swine & Dairy ID, Equine, Lease Forms, Self-Determined Project Outline Due
- 4 Sheep, Goat, Beef, Calf Tagging, Home Born & Raised forms, Fairgrounds, 8-11am
- 5 - 8 4-H Jr. Camp, 4-H Camp Palmer
- 8 Cloverbud Camp, 4-H Camp Palmer 1:30-8:15
- 9 Horse Measuring, Fairgrounds 6:30-7:30pm
- 12 - 17, Camp Canopy, FFA Camp Muskingum
- 12 - 17, Citizenship Washington Focus, Washington DC
- 14 Sewing Clinic
- 14 4-H Advisory Council, 7pm, Ext. Office
- 20 OSF Livestock Entries must be post-marked
- 20 Holiday, Office Closed
- 28 Early Miscellaneous, Food & Clothing Judging by Appt.

July

- 1 Creative Writing Project Due
- 1 Swine Purebred Forms Due
- 4 Holiday, Office Closed
- 12 Miscellaneous Project Judging, Veterans Building
- 13 4-H Advisory Council, 7pm, Ext. Office
- 14 Food & Clothing Project Judging, Veterans Building
- 15 - 19 Ohio Sea Camp, Kelley's Island
- 25 Endowment Committee, 6:30pm
- 25 Early Livestock Interviews, by appointment
- 25 Endowment Meeting 6:30 Extension Office
- 27 - Aug 7, OHIO STATE FAIR

August

- 9 4-H Advisory Council, 7pm, Ext. Office
- 10 Livestock Interviews, Fair Entries Due, Gillette Building
- 13 Rabbit & Poultry Clinic, Fairgrounds
- 20 Animal & Me Practice, Fairgrounds, 9am

September

- 5 Labor Day Holiday, Office Closed
- 5 - 8, 4-H Booth Set-Up
- 9 Weigh-In Day, Fairgrounds
- 10 - 15 Williams County Fair, Fairgrounds
- 15 Williams County Jr. Fair Sale
- 20 4-H Advisory Council, 7pm, Ext. Office
- 26 Endowment Meeting 6:30pm Extension Office

October

- 1 Honor Club, Outstanding Teen, 1st Year Forms Due 3 - 9,
National 4-H Week
- 8 Pancake Breakfast Advisory Council, Edon Fire Hall 8am-11am
- 18 4-H Advisory Council, 7pm, Ext. Office

November

- 6 Fall Recognition, Veterans Building, Time TBD
- 8 4-H Advisory Council, 7pm, Ext. Office
- 11 University Holiday, Office Closed 24 - 25
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December

- 2 Camp Counselor Apps Due
- 5 4-H Council Budget Meeting, 6:30pm, Ext. Office
- 23 - 26 University Holiday, Office Closed