Hello 4-H Families,

Here are a couple of reminders about upcoming due dates and deadlines that are important to pay attention to! Please read this newsletter in its entirety.

Color Codes: Yellow – ALL MEMBERS, Green – LIVESTOCK, Blue – SPECIAL INTEREST GREY – ADULTS/PARENTS/VOLUNTEERS

# Market Beef Possession Deadline - January 1st

- Members who plan on exhibiting the market beef projects of Beef Steers/Market Heifers and Dairy Steers should have possession of their animals on January 1, 2024. The animals should be ear-tagged with the EID electronic tags.

### 4-H Camp Counselor Interviews - January 7th & 8th

 Camp Counselor interviews are scheduled for this upcoming Sunday and Monday for first time counselor applicants. They will take place at the Extension Office. Please arrive 10-15 minutes before your allotted interview time.

#### 4-H Council Meeting – Tuesday, January 9th

- The first meeting of the year will be held at the Extension Office at 7:00 PM. Please join the meeting if you are considering serving on the Williams County 4-H Advisory Council for the 2024 year!

#### Teen Achievement Awards & Scholarship Forms – Due January 8th & January 15th

- Achievement awards must be signed prior to January 8<sup>th</sup>. Completed achievement awards are needed to submit the scholarship applications by January 15<sup>th</sup>. You may submit your achievement award at the time of your scholarship application. Forms can be found here: <a href="https://williams.osu.edu/teen-opportunities">https://williams.osu.edu/teen-opportunities</a>

#### Camp Counselor Meeting – January 15th

- The first 4-H Camp Counselor meeting for 2024 will be held on January 15<sup>th</sup> at the Extension Office from 10 AM – 2 PM. Lunch will be provided but bring your favorite drink!

## Ohio State Fair Beef DNA Kits - mailed by January 15th

- If you plan on showing your beef steers/heifers at the Ohio State Fair, DNA kits must be submitted and mailed prior to January 15, 2024. You can pick up the DNA Kits in the Extension Office.

### Market Beef ID & Registration Forms – due January 31st

- Steer Registration & ID Forms can be found on our website and are due January 31, 2024. There is no tag in day at the fairgrounds.
- The animals should be ear-tagged with the EID electronic tags by the breeder. If you animal was not tagged, contact your breeder for an EID Electronic tag.
- The form can be found at the following link: <a href="https://williams.osu.edu/projects">https://williams.osu.edu/projects</a>

### Club Registration & Treasury Reports – due January 31st

- Forms can be found here: <a href="https://williams.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/4-h-advisor-information">https://williams.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/4-h-advisor-information</a>

### 4-H Volunteer/Advisor Training - February 1st

- More details will be provided to advisors via mail and email shortly.

### Livestock Quality Assurance ZOOM - February 5th

 Megan will be teaching LQA via Zoom on February 5<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8:30 PM. Registration is due three days before. See more information and additional LQA date options here: <a href="https://williams.osu.edu/projects">https://williams.osu.edu/projects</a>

### New Volunteer Applications – due February 1st

- Find more information here: <a href="https://williams.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/4-h-advisor-information">https://williams.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/4-h-advisor-information</a>

### Background Checks - due February 15th

- If a volunteer or advisor received a letter in the mail from me, please get your new background check prior to February 15th. The sooner you can get screened, the better as it takes time to connect to your 4-H online account. If you are wondering if it is time for you to get a new background check, reach out to me and I will let you know. If you need the document to take with you to be screened, let me know and I will send it to you!

Our 4-H part of the website is being updated for 2024, so check out the new information!

If you have any questions, please call our office at (419) 636-5608 or email Megan at schulte.182@osu.edu

Wishing you the best,

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