

4-H Family Newsletter – March/April 2019

2019 has been off to a busy start with the Spring Kick-Off event, advisor trainings, LQA and Camp Counselor training. I would like to give a big thank you to our Advisory Council for the wonderful meal they provided for the Recognition Dinner! We had approximately 200 4-H volunteers and members in attendance. Advisory Council is an integral part to this program, who can sometimes be overlooked. Thank you AC for your continued support!

March and April will continue to be busy as we are in the process of offering the required trainings and meetings for the various components of our program. There is a lot happening this spring before we hit our April enrollment deadline, so be sure you are staying current by receiving our emails and posts on social media. Contact us if you aren't receiving updates via the methods you prefer (email, social media, or US mail).

As we prepare to celebrate Ohio 4-H week on March 3-9, we would like for you, our 4-H families to show your 4-H pride throughout the week through sporting your favorite apparel, engaging with us on social media and of course, inviting your non-4-H friends to join our program. I continue to believe the 4-H is one of the best-kept secrets in Williams County providing our youth with ample opportunities for personal growth and leadership skills.

Enrolling in our 4-H online database is also underway. 4-H members, you need to be sure that you are active in the system by enrolling for 2018-2019 and register your 4-H projects. The Family Guides have the project numbers that you'll need to refer to to get signed-up. Be sure to communicate with your club advisor on which project books you'll need so they can place the order.

If you have questions about navigating the Ohio 4-H online database, please give us a call so we can help. Volunteers—there are a couple more opportunities to learn about how to login, etc. which is included in this newsletter.

Sincerely,



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March 2019

- 3-9 Ohio 4-H Week
- 7 Livestock Quality Assurance Edon Fire Hall, 7:00pm
- 9 Ohio 4-H Conference, Columbus
- 12 Advisory Council, 7pm
- 12 LQA Test out, 6 pm, RSVP needed
- 16 Horse Quality Assurance, Thaman Building
@Williams Co. Fairgrounds, 9am-11am
- 17 Maple Syrup Brunch, 4-H Camp Palmer
- 23 Williams County Maple Syrup Festival, Fairgrounds
- 25 Endowment Committee, 6:30 pm

April 2019

- 1 4-H Enrollment Due for all returning members**, Dog Perm. to Part. Due
- 4** Officers' & Advisors' Training, 6:30 pm, Montpelier School
- 6** Food & Clothing Workshop
- 9** 4-H Advisory Council, 7pm
- 11** Horse Royalty Applications Due
- 11** Poultry Workshop 6-8pm: Archbold High School
- 15 4-H Enrollment Due for New Members Only**
- 20** Horse Royalty Interviews, 9am Horse Arena
- 29** Livestock Quality Assurance, Bryan First Church of Christ

Volunteer Updates

New Volunteer Applications

Adults interested in becoming a 4-H volunteer must complete an application, interview process, a BCI background check and attend a volunteer training in 2019. To be accepted as a 4-H volunteer for 2019, all required pieces must be complete by April 1. Volunteers can still apply after this date, but the application process will not be completed until the fall of 2019. Applications can be found on the web site at <http://williams.osu.edu> (under 4-H Youth Development, Advisor Info) or picked up at the office.

Volunteer Trainings Scheduled

Williams County 4-H requires that each volunteer must attend at least one annual training to maintain an active volunteer status. With the adoption of OSU Policy 1.50, this annual training requirement has become mandatory for the entire state. On **Tuesday, March 12 at 6:00pm at the Extension Office** there will be a Policy 1.50 training offered to those volunteers who still need it for this year.

Database Training: If you still need some help as a club advisor logging into the Ohio 4-H online database, please call the office to RSVP for one of the following evenings. Spots will be limited, so that individual help can be offered. Kindly RSPV by Friday, March 8th for one of the following dates:
Monday, March 11 or Monday March 18th from 6-7pm. If neither of these times work for you and you still need help, call the office and we can set-up another time.

Volunteer Enrollment: Go to <https://oh.4honline.com> and type in your email address and password. If you don't remember your password click "I forgot my password" and they'll send you a temporary password to your email account so you can login. If you have questions, give us a call!

Club Forms Due: Advisors, please be sure to submit your club registration form, financial form from 2018, as well as a list of your meeting schedule.

Club Updates

2019 4-H Project Books—You can view your book online!

There are over 200 4-H projects to select from, be sure to check out the 2019 Family Guide to learn more information. If you are considering signing up for a new project, but want to preview the 4-H book, you can go to <https://projectcentral.ohio4h.org/>. There is even an option to leave a book review if you would like to provide Columbus with feedback on the project book.

2019 Enrollment Deadline

Returning 4-H members need to be enrolled and have their projects selected by **Monday, April 1st**. First time 4-H members need to be enrolled with their projects by **Monday, April 15th**. Returning members need to Enroll for 2018-2019 at <https://oh.4honline.com/>. Returning members SHOULD NOT create a new profile—this is only for new 4-H members. If you see a box pop-up asking you to create a duplicate profile, you need to decline. If you are having trouble accessing your previous profile, you may need to click “forgot password” and retrieve it through your email address or call the Extension office and we’ll be glad to help guide you through the process. For help in enrolling online, visit: <https://williams.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/4-h-advisor-information>. Under the Enrollment column, you can find the link for “Returning Youth Enrollment Steps.”

Family and Consumer Sciences Projects

Food & Nutrition Workshop

Saturday, April 6, 9:30 – 11:30 am

OSU Extension Office-Williams County

All members enrolled in food & nutrition projects are encouraged to attend the Food & Nutrition Workshop lead by the Williams County Food & Fashion Board. Attendees will learn tips to utilize when completing their 4-H projects as well as how to prepare for their county 4-H project judging.

Fashion Workshop

Saturday, April 6, 12:30-2:30 pm

OSU Extension Office-Williams County

All members enrolled in clothing projects (sewing and consumer projects) are encouraged to attend the Fashion Workshop lead by the Williams County Food & Fashion Board. Attendees will learn tips to utilize when completing their 4-H projects as well as how to prepare for their county 4-H project judging.

Food & Nutrition Projects

4-H Food & Nutrition projects rely on a member’s level of experience, not age, when selecting a project. Regardless of what the age requirements state in the book, selection should be based on member’s level of cooking experience.

Beginner Level – for youth of any age with little to no experience in food preparation and nutrition

Intermediate Level – for youth of any age with some food preparation and nutrition experience

Advanced Level – for youth of any age with substantial experience with food preparation and nutrition

Members enrolling in food and nutrition projects are encouraged to progress through each level spending, preferably, 3 years at each level before advancing. Please remember that you cannot move back-and-forth between levels. For example, once you have reached Intermediate level, you must stay at the level or move up – you cannot return to a beginner level project once you have completed an Intermediate level project.

Creative & Leisure Arts Projects

Cake Decorating Workshop - Beginner

Saturday, May 11 @ Stryker United Methodist Church

Beginner Class: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 pm

RSVP by Thursday, May 9th if you are planning to attend.

We will use the easiest tips mentioned below, but bring what you have and don't worry if you do not have all the tips listed

Marilyn Weigel, long time cake decorator and 4-H advisor will be hosting this hands-on workshop. Participants will learn and practice cake decorating techniques. Experienced members are welcome to attend and help as needed. Parents are also welcome to attend and practice their skills, just bring your own supplies.

Those wanting to participate should bring:

- 1 recipe of Butter Cream Frosting, from the Resource Book, no coloring please
- Decorating Bag with Coupler (coupler allows the changing of tips)
- Flat cake pan or cookie sheet to practice on
- **No cake please**
- Tips: (as listed to the right & in project book)

Beginner Tips to be used:

- One plain round or writing tip: 3 or 4
- One Leaf tip: 67 or 352
- Three star tips: 16, 18, 22 or 27 and 31 or 35
- Two drop flower tips, one large and one small: 224 or 107 and 131 or 193
- The easiest ones to start with are: #4, #352 & #18

Animal Science Projects

2019 Livestock Quality Assurance (LQA)

All youth planning to exhibit market animals or animals that produce marketable byproducts (eggs, milk, etc.) are required to attend an annual LQA training or pass a LQA test (if applicable) each year. This includes beef, sheep, swine, poultry, and goat projects. Market rabbit exhibitors are also required to attend the training. Youth not completing the LQA requirement in 2019 will not be able to exhibit at the 2019 Ohio State fair or 2019 Williams County Fair with livestock. The deadline to complete a Livestock Quality Assurance is June 1st 2019.

2019 Williams County dates are:

March 7 @ 7:00 pm, Edon Fire Hall
April 29 @ 7:00pm, Bryan First Church of Christ

LQA Test-Out Options

4-H and FFA youth ages 12 and older (as of Jan. 1, 2015) are able to "test-out" of LQA by completing a 50-questions, multiple choice test. Youth must receive a 70% or higher on the test to pass. Youth ages 12-14 who pass the QA test can test out of their annual QA program for up to 3 years. Youth ages 15-18 years who pass the QA test can test out of their annual QA program permanently. Youth that take the test, but do not pass on their first try in 2019 must attend an LQA session to complete the requirement. They may re-test in 2020. These ages are as of January 1, 2019 – a youth's 4-H age. – Please RSVP to ford.806@osu.edu by March 11 for the March 12th date and April 8 for the April 9th date.

Test-Out Dates

March 12, 6 pm, OSU Extension Office, RSVP required
April 9, 6 pm, OSU Extension Office, RSVP required

Horse Quality Assurance

4-H & FFA Members enrolling in an equine project are required to attend one (1) Horse Quality Assurance Training each year. Youth not completing the HQA requirement for the current year will not be able to exhibit at the Ohio State Fair or Williams County Fair with equine projects. Youth enrolling in an equine project for the first time are required to watch two (2) safety video's – these video's will be available for viewing following both of the HQA sessions. **The 2019 HQA date is: Saturday, March 16 9:00am-11:00am at the Thaman Building at the Fairgrounds.**

Horse Royalty Applications

Tuesday, April 11th, Horse Royalty Applications are due to the Extension office. Applications may be found online at <https://williams.osu.edu/horse>. Horse Royalty Interviews are Saturday, April 20th at 9:00am the Williams County Fairgrounds, Horse Arena.

Poultry Quality Assurance

Williams County is partnering with Henry and Fulton Counties where Dr. Tim McDermott is going to be presenting a Poultry Workshop on **Thursday, April 11th 6-8pm at Archbold High School Lecture Hall**. This workshop will count as Quality Assurance for poultry exhibitors only. Please note that this workshop is not mandatory for poultry exhibitors, but rather an additional opportunity that satisfies the QA component. *If members also enroll in and exhibit other animals, this workshop will count as QA completion. Here are two fact sheets that Dr. McDermott along with Sabrina Schirtzinger created that you might want to check out. <https://ohioline.osu.edu/factsheet/anr-66> and <https://ohioline.osu.edu/factsheet/vme-22>

Ohio 4-H Week Social Media Campaign

To celebrate Ohio 4-H Week (March 3-9), we will be highlighting area clubs each day of the week. In addition, 4-H members are encouraged to participate in your own social media campaign with the following themes each day. By tagging the Williams County 4-H page in your post, you'll be entered into a drawing at the end of the week for a prize—so be sure to spread your 4-H pride throughout the week! You can post the pictures on Facebook, Instagram, or Twitter. When you post, be sure to include **#will4h**

Sunday, March 3 – Share Your Story

How has 4-H Impacted or inspired you?

Monday, March 4 – Make It Green

Wear your green to promote Ohio 4-H week

Tuesday, March 5 – Tell us Tuesday

Tell us your favorite 4-H memory or favorite thing about 4-H

Wednesday, March 6 – Wacky Wednesday

Post your photos old & new

Thursday, March 7 – Trivia Thursday

Stay tuned for 4-H trivia and see how much you know

Friday, March 8 – Famous 4-H Friday

See which Famous stars are alumni of 4-H

Saturday, March 9 – Shout-out Saturday

Give a shout-out to advisors, parents and anyone who has supported your 4-H involvement

Officer Training

Thursday, April 4, 2019, 6:30 pm

Montpelier School

Sessions will be offered for all 4-H club officers to get them equipped to lead their club meetings, keep accurate records, along with fun ways to engage club members in recreation activities.

For volunteers and advisors, we will also have county fair updates to report as well.

County Updates

4-H 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 the current 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
- 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.

Save-the-Date! Williams County 4-H Camp! June 6-9!

Summer will be here before you know it! This year's junior camp dates are June 6-9. Cloverbud camp will be held on Saturday, June 8. Registration and additional information will be coming soon. We will send out more information when details are available, and will post forms and schedules on our county website. Additionally, Camperships will once again be available this year. Applications and Forms will be distributed in the near future. If you or your club would like to donate to the campership fund, please contact the Extension office.

June Tagging and Dogs/Small Animal Possession Dates

Dogs/Small Animal Possession Date: May 1st

Required Animal Tagging: Saturday, June 1st 8am-11am Williams County Fairgrounds

Tagging for market lambs, market goats, beef feeders, and dairy feeders. This is also the possession date for these animals. Members are also able to receive a starting weight, if desired. Animals weighed on this date will automatically be entered in the rate of gain contests.

Free Turkeys from Cooper Farms – due April 2

Once again, 4-H/FFA members interested in exhibiting turkeys at the 2019 Williams County Fair are eligible to receive 5 free turkeys from Cooper Farms of Oakwood, Ohio. Additional hens can be ordered at a rate of \$3.50 each, straight run (not sexed) turkeys for \$3.88 each, or tom turkeys for \$4.25 each. Interested youth should submit an order form and completed biosecurity form no later than April 2, 2019 to the OSU Extension-Williams County Office. If additional turkeys are purchased, payment is due at time of ordering and checks should be made payable to OSU Extension Williams County. Order forms can be found online at <https://williams.osu.edu/projects>, or picked up from the Extension Office. Pick-up date is Friday, May 3rd from 1:30-4:30pm at the Extension office.

4-H Camp Palmer Maple Syrup Brunch Sunday, March 17, 2019 11:00am - 2:00pm



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419-237-2247
www.camppalmer.org

PANCAKES & SAUSAGE BRUNCH IN CAMP DINING HALL

\$6.00 for Pancakes/Sausage/drink
*ages 3 and under eat free

12:00pm and 1:00pm - Maple Syrup history lesson in the
Sauder Recreation Hall

Ongoing Maple Syrup making in main camp!

*Ongoing horse
drawn wagon rides
and Nature Center
will be open.*



All proceeds will go to funding High Ropes Equipment.

Maple Syrup Festival

Pancakes and Sausage with "Real" Maple Syrup

Something for
Everyone!!



Saturday, March 23

8 a.m.—12 Noon
Breakfast Starts at 7:30 a.m.
2 Serving Lines

Williams County Fairgrounds
619 East Main Street
Montpelier, Ohio

Maple Syrup Festival Events

- ♦ Pancake & Sausage Breakfast
- ♦ Horse Drawn Wagon Rides 9:00—11:30 a.m.
- ♦ Tractor Wagon Rides 8:00-Noon
- ♦ Sugar Shack, Tree Tapping & Collection Process
- ♦ Maple Products: Syrup, Candy, & Cotton Candy
- ♦ Kettle Corn

Woodland & Other Events

- ♦ Portable Sawmill, King Lumber
- ♦ Williams SWCD Tree Seedling Sale
- ♦ Forestry & Tree Questions, Forester
- ♦ Montpelier Tree Commission
- ♦ NW Ohio Loggers Chapter
- ♦ NW Ohio Woodland Owners Association

Wildlife Events

- ♦ Division of Wildlife Inflatable BB Gun Range & Archery Trailer
- ♦ Wildlife Pelt Displays & Taxidermists
- ♦ Beekeeping
- ♦ National Wild Turkey Federation
- ♦ Trapping & Fur Trade
- ♦ Reptiles & Amphibians

All Williams SWCD & OSU programs and services are offered on a nondiscriminatory basis without regard to race, color, age, national origin, sex, gender identity or expression, disability, religion, marital status, sexual orientation, handicap, or veteran status.

Breakfast Prepared by the
Williams County Fair Foundation
& Williams County Pork Producers
Cost: \$6.00
Children 6 & Under: Free

For More Information
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