



## July, August, & September 2025

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. This is a lengthy one with IMPORTANT INFO.

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

### Miscellaneous/Shooting Sports Project Judging – July 8<sup>th</sup> 6:00-8:30 PM

### Food & Clothing Project Judging – July 10<sup>th</sup> 1:00-6:30 PM

All project judgings will take place in the Gillette Building including Shooting Sports. The doors will open ten minutes prior to the first judging time. Please arrive ten minutes prior to your judging time to get checked in. If you have larger projects that cannot be easily carried in the Gillette Building, you may drop off your project by the garage door near the racetrack. You will bring your judge outside to view your project during your interview.

Please see the schedules for additional details relevant to judging and what to prepare for!

2025 Misc/Shooting Sports Project Judging Schedule:

[https://williams.osu.edu/sites/williams/files/imce/2025\\_Misc%20Project%20Judging%20Schedule%20Updated%206.23.pdf](https://williams.osu.edu/sites/williams/files/imce/2025_Misc%20Project%20Judging%20Schedule%20Updated%206.23.pdf)

2025 Food & Clothing Project Judging Schedule:

[https://williams.osu.edu/sites/williams/files/imce/2025\\_Food%20and%20Clothing%20Project%20Judging%20Schedule%20and%20Details%20Updated%20to%20post.pdf](https://williams.osu.edu/sites/williams/files/imce/2025_Food%20and%20Clothing%20Project%20Judging%20Schedule%20and%20Details%20Updated%20to%20post.pdf)

(williams.osu.edu – Program Areas – 4-H Youth Development – Special Interest/Miscellaneous Projects)

If your youth cannot attend judging during their scheduled date, there are alternative options to complete their project; HOWEVER, they will not be eligible to win awards beyond their project grade (A, B, C, for example). Meaning, they will not have the opportunity to compete for the state fair judging. Advisors can judge their projects, or you may call our office at 419-636-5608 to set a judging date/time with us!

### Clover Kids Rabbit & Poultry Opportunity

To sign your Cloverbud up for this opportunity, call our Extension Office at 419-636-5608. Youth will bring their animal the day of, exhibit, then bring the animal home after the show. This class is the very first class of the poultry and rabbit shows. Youth must be enrolled Cloverbuds to participate in this show. They can show both species.



**Livestock Entries** – due August 5, 2025 (day before Livestock Interviews & Skillathon)

Livestock entries for the Williams County Fair will be completed online, as they were last year. This will be done via the FairEntry Software, which can be accessed here:

<https://faireentry.com/splash/about>

Please follow these instructions to ensure you are accurately enrolling/entering your youth:

<https://williams.osu.edu/sites/williams/files/imce/FairEntry%20Enrollment%20Instructions.pdf>

Know your 4-H Online (4-H enrollment site) email & password BEFORE you go to FairEntry. If you need assistance with your 4-H Online user/password, please call the Extension Office at 419-636-5608.

If you are an FFA-only member, you will register as a FairEntry Exhibitor Account. If you are taking a mix between 4-H & FFA, log in through the 4-H online option.

**Livestock Interviews & Skillathon** – August 6<sup>th</sup> from 6-8 PM

Held in the Gillette Building on the Williams County Fairgrounds. All FFA & 4-H Members must complete livestock interviews & skillathon in order to show at the Williams County Fair. If you cannot attend this date, you may schedule an appointment at our **Early Livestock Project Judging on July 16<sup>th</sup>**. Call our office at 419-636-5608 to schedule your time slot (first come, first served). Your advisor can also judge your project, and an online skillathon can be taken. Advisors must pick up a grading sheet from our office.

Items to remember – *includes all FFA projects* – completed animal project book, written/typed one-page report (most project books have this built into their book on a page with a prompt and room to respond), 2025 project records - feed, expenses, vet, equipment, animal pictures, etc.

You will find your club/chapter's Judging Times and other details here:

<https://williams.osu.edu/projects>

**2025 Animal & Me Show** – due July 15<sup>th</sup>

We are looking for mentors for the 8<sup>th</sup> annual Animal & Me show! There are changes this year, so please ensure you read them on the application link above! Find the mentorship application and details here:

<https://williams.osu.edu/sites/williams/files/imce/2025%20Animal%20Me%20Mentor%20App.pdf>



**Purebred Swine Forms – Due August 1<sup>st</sup>**

In order to exhibit in a purebred class during the hog show, you must show proof that your hog is purebred. Please provide a copy of your purebred registration papers from your registered breed association for all purebred hogs (usually obtained from your breeders). If you are unable to obtain your purebred registration papers, you must show your hog in the crossbred division. If you are unable to obtain your registration papers by August 1<sup>st</sup>, please call our office or email Megan at [Warnecke.76@osu.edu](mailto:Warnecke.76@osu.edu).

**Horses EquiSTEP Training - due June 1<sup>st</sup>**

If your exhibitor is taking horses and has not completed EquiSTEP yet, please call our Extension Office ASAP at 419-636-5608 for new directions on how to complete this training.

**Feeder Calf Vaccination Forms – due on the move-in day of the fair**

Please ensure all animals are drug residue free (meaning withdrawal times are completed) PRIOR to move-in day of the fair. Check the withdrawal times of the vaccinations you are using, INCLUDING dewormers. Can be found on our website here:  
[https://williams.osu.edu/sites/williams/files/imce/Feeder%20Calf%20Vaccine%20Form\\_MLW.pdf](https://williams.osu.edu/sites/williams/files/imce/Feeder%20Calf%20Vaccine%20Form_MLW.pdf)

**DUNFs (Drug Use Notification Forms) – due before the animal's arrival at the fair on September 5<sup>th</sup>**

A separate DUNF is required for each market lamb, goat, hog, feeder calf, steer, turkey, duck, goose, and rabbit, as well as lactating dairy goat, lactating dairy cow, and pen of broilers, per the Ohio Department of Agriculture. The link will be distributed via email and on our website approximately 1-2 weeks prior to move-in day (will be shared as soon as Megan receives the link from the state). This is done electronically.

You will not be permitted to weigh in if your DUNF is not completed prior to your arrival at the fair. The only exception to this is poultry as they will not have an ID number prior to move-in. Poultry exhibitors will bring their animals on the ground, tag it, complete DUNF, then weigh in.

**Livestock Quality Assurance – due July 16<sup>th</sup>**

If your exhibitor has not completed an LQA session yet, they must do so in order to exhibit at the Williams County Fair. If this is not done prior to July 16<sup>th</sup>, they will NOT be able to exhibit at the fair. Find LQA options here: <https://williams.osu.edu/projects>



### **Required Ear Tags**

All market hogs, beef cattle, and dairy cattle need to have an electronic RFID tag in their ear to exhibit at the Williams County Fair. There are many ways to obtain a tag if your animal does not have this tag in their ear. If they are tagged with an electronic tag (looks like a circle/button with a long series of numbers – usually starting with the numbers 840 – in yellow/white), they are good to go. If they do not have this tag in their ear, please call our Extension Office at 419-636-5608 to obtain one.

All market goats & sheep need to have a Scrapies tag in their ear in order to exhibit at the Williams County Fair. This tag is typically a tag with two letters followed by a series of numbers. If your sheep/goat does not have this tag, please call the Extension Office at 419-636-5608.

### **Poultry Projects**

Currently, there are no restrictions on poultry exhibitions for Williams County and the Senior Fair Board is planning on the poultry show as normal.

### **Animal ID Forms – were due June 1, 2025**

If you have not submitted animal ID forms for your market lambs/goats, feeder calves, market beef, beef breeding, swine, dairy, or horses, please call our office ASAP at 419-636-5608.

### **Required Equine Forms- Due June 1<sup>st</sup>**

**ID Form & Permission to Participate and Equine Vaccination** forms are due on June 1, 2025. Forms be found on our website here: <https://williams.osu.edu/horse>

### **Home Born & Raised Forms & Livestock Lease Agreements– due June 1<sup>st</sup>**

The listed forms are on our website and were due June 1<sup>st</sup>. See our website for more information: <https://williams.osu.edu/projects>

### **State Fair Quality Assurance Deadline – June 1<sup>st</sup>**

If you plan on exhibiting your animal at the state fair, you must have completed QA prior to June 1<sup>st</sup>.

### **4-H Council Annual Chicken BBQ Fundraiser – Cancelled for 2025**

The 4-H Council Chicken BBQ Fundraiser has been cancelled for 2025. We plan to offer again in 2026. Stay tuned for an alternative 4-H Council fundraiser!



**The Ohio State Fair – July 23 – August 3**

4-H project judging dates can be found here:

[https://ohio4h.org/sites/ohio4h/files/imce/events\\_calendar/2025%20Daily%20Schedule%20Ohio%204-H.pdf](https://ohio4h.org/sites/ohio4h/files/imce/events_calendar/2025%20Daily%20Schedule%20Ohio%204-H.pdf)

Project Judging Guidelines: <https://ohio4h.org/nonlivestockguidebook>

Animal Projects: <https://www.ohiostatefair.com/p/get-involved/livestock>

Visit the Ohio State Fair! Find more information here: <https://www.ohiostatefair.com/>

**4-H Booth Building**

The 2025 Williams County 4-H Booth Theme is – **Williams County 4-H Helping Dreams Come True**. Booth Building set up & club locations are in the works and will be shared with Advisors via email and posted on our website here: <https://williams.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/4-h-advisor-information>

Club Booth Watch signups are live right now! Each club is required to take one shift during the week of the fair. Clubs are also encouraged to pick up additional shifts to help with coverage. Call our office at 419-636-5608 to sign up for your shift!

***Please call our office or email Megan at [Warnecke.76@osu.edu](mailto:Warnecke.76@osu.edu) if you have any questions!***