

**ANSWERS TO LOCAL Frequently Asked Questions**

We thought it might be helpful to share information from some of the questions we have been receiving.

**Will we be having the Miami County 4-H Barbecue this year?**

No. The Miami County 4-H Fundraising Committee and 4-H Advisory Committee met this week via ZOOM. After great consideration, the committees decided to cancel this year's 4-H Barbecue. Please save the date for next year's BBQ, tentatively scheduled for July 17, 2021.

**What if I our club already collected money for the BBQ tickets prior to the ban on face-to-face meetings?**

Please contact those who submitted funds to purchase tickets, thank them again, and ask them if they would like the funds returned or if they would like the funds to be donated to a special project to be determined by the club (i.e. scholarship fund, fair trophy, etc.). Remember, funds must be returned via mail until after the ban is lifted July 6.

**Do I need to pay my assessment fee?** Yes, please. Assessment fees are due May 29.

**How can I get my project books?**

- **Buy one online.** This week [4-H coupons](#) became available for free shipping or for 20% off your order to purchase 4-H project books! Individual families may order project books online and have them shipped directly to their homes or advisors may place multiple orders for each individual family using family mailing address and coupon code when available. There is no limit on the number of times a coupon code can be used. Please note: during the no meeting face-to-face policy and stay at home order, advisors are to refrain from distributing books except by mail.
- **Download one for free.** A special collection of project books is available for free on the [Perfect Stay-at-Home Projects](#) web page. Click on the book you want, and when the file opens on your screen, save or print it from there.
- **Make your own.** If you would rather not purchase a book in this way, self-determined projects are an excellent choice for self-motivated members eager to get started by creating their own projects. Although self-determined projects may be better suited for older 4-H members, they are available for any member and are often based on [idea starters already available online](#). Many of the idea starters are great stay-at-home projects too, for example, Music, Bats, String Art, Climate Change, American Sign Language, etc.



## **Will there still be a Miami County Fair?**

The planning of the Miami County Fair is still moving forward and is scheduled to take place August 14-20. For the latest information, please visit: <https://miamicountyohiofair.com/>.

## **Is there another way to complete Quality Assurance Training?**

Miami County QA sessions will be presented via Zoom. Once those days/times are confirmed, a registration form will be released. The YQCA 25% off flash sale is still available throughout April. Click [here](#) for details.

## **Are we still doing skillathons?**

Yes. Skillathons will be conducted virtually. Details will be shared in a future update.

## **What about Project Pride Day?**

Yes. Miscellaneous and Family and Consumer Sciences 4-H projects are evaluated during Project Pride Day. This year, it will also be held virtually. Stay tuned for more in a future update.

## **How can we complete shooting sports projects?**

The Shooting Sports State Extension Program Coordinator is meeting with members of his team next week. While you are waiting for your new shooting sports project book to arrive, check out [Project Central](#) to review sample pages and begin goal setting.

## **Anything new for Cloverbuds?**

This year's State 4-H Cloverbot Challenge is now virtual and individual children can participate! Find the details at <https://ohio4h.org/families/cloverbuds/cloverbot-challenge>.

## **Are you planning to offer another New 4-H Volunteer Orientation?**

Yes. The March Policy 1.50 Training and New 4-H Volunteer Orientation was canceled. Individuals have been sent login information to enroll in the courses. If you did not receive the information, please email Demetria at [woods.372@osu.edu](mailto:woods.372@osu.edu).

## **ADDITIONAL RESOURCES**

**Stay Connected!** – links to activities for youth and resources for volunteers. Including: State Frequently Asked Questions, Project videos, Cloverbud activities, Animal Science videos, Advisor Resources (How to ZOOM), and Youth Activities (Tips for Teens videos).

**Preble County 4-H Tech Changemakers ZOOM Tips** – tips on using ZOOM for 4-H meetings; ideas for club meetings including: links for videos on Animal Care, Food and Nutrition, Food Preparation, Clothing, Recreation, Officer Training, Showmanship, Goat Yoga, and much more.

## **VIRTUAL ZOOM MEETINGS FOR YOUR 4-H CLUB**

If you would like to have virtual meetings for your club or committee but still do not feel comfortable setting one up, be aware that we can now host Zoom meetings for you. Members and advisors can log in using their personal computer device or call in with their phone. We can set up the meeting and serve as the host, but you and your club officers can conduct the meeting. Contact Demetria at woods.372@osu.edu if this is something you are interested in pursuing.

## **4-H POSITIVITY**

Each Friday we will be posting an activity or challenge via the [OSU Extension Miami County Facebook](#) page. Check them out and join the fun. We would like to continue our first challenge and encourage our 4-Hers to write a thank you to essential workers. For ideas, check out this [flyer](#) of an adorable future Cloverbud and her mommy. Please send all pictures to Jessica at adams.2309@osu.edu by Wednesday, April 22. Also, if you have ideas for next week's activity or challenge, please email Jessica by next Wednesday.

**Take care, stay safe, and just breathe.**