

MIAMI COUNTY 4-H NEWS UPDATE

WEEK OF JULY 27, 2020

MASKS REQUIRED

The *Ohio 4-H Planning Guide for In-Person Meetings & Events* guidelines provide expectations for all members, volunteers, and their families while participating in 4-H club meetings and activities. **This document was updated on July 22 to include the health order from Governor DeWine indicating that effective July 23, 2020 at 6 p.m., masks are required to be worn in Ohio.** This applies to all 4-H activities. Please read the document in its entirety. Here's a quick video demonstrating ways to safely host in-person meeting and events, following the information in the Planning Guide: <https://go.osu.edu/4Hmeetingguidelines>.

Prior to any meeting, please send out a notice to all club members and their families to inform them of the following:

- State that members and/or family members cannot attend the meeting if they or anyone living in their household is experiencing any of the following symptoms: fever, cough, or shortness of breath.
- Provide an option for members to participate virtually.
- Note that physical distancing will be practiced by maintaining a six-foot distance between people.
- **We require face masks to be worn during the 4-H meeting.**
- Encourage participants to bring their own snacks and drinks for the meeting.

MIAMI COUNTY 4-H VIRTUAL SKILLATHON MAKE-UPS

Miami County 4-H members enrolled in animal projects must complete a skillathon for each animal project species (excluding cats, llamas, alpacas, and cavies) in which they are enrolled. Links are at <https://go.osu.edu/MCskills>, and will be available for **make-ups July 24-26**.

MIAMI COUNTY FAIR NEWS

- Miami County Fair Office will be open Saturday, July 25th, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. A window is being used for entries.
- Royalty form deadline is Saturday the 25th.
- Open class entries deadline is Saturday the 25th.
- T-shirt order form available! To guarantee pre fair delivery, it must be received by Monday at noon. Late orders are welcome.
- Decorating of barns and areas is welcome.
- Booths should be ready for decorating by Monday or Tuesday prior to the fair. Booth Decorating will be a go once the drapes are up and a definite knowledge of space needed has been determined.
- [Miami County Fair Rabbit Committee Update](#)

For the latest information on the Miami County Fair schedule, concert, and more, please visit <https://www.miamicountyohiofair.com> or the [Miami County Fair Facebook page](#).

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4-H FORMS POSTED

The following forms have been posted to the Miami County Extension website at <https://go.osu.edu/MC4hforms> :

- Ten Year Member and Final Year Member Recognition Form (due July 24)
- County Award Nomination Form (due July 24)
- Cloverbud Show N Tell Form (due July 31)

The documents are fillable forms. Please email completed forms to woods.372@osu.edu.

OHIO YOUTH SKILLATHONS

The Ohio 4-H Animal Sciences team will host online skillathons this year! These skillathons will include the same educational materials, by species, that are typically evaluated at the Ohio State Fair. They are open to any Ohio 4-H member, age 8 and in the 3rd grade, or 9 years old and older regardless of grade level, to age 18 as of January 1, 2020, and FFA members. Put your 4-H project knowledge to the test! Click [here](#) for further details.

- Horse Skillathon: Thu 7/23/2020 (10:00 AM – 6:00 PM)
- Goat Skillathon: Fri 7/24/2020 (10:00 AM – 6:00 PM)
- Dairy Skillathon: Sat 7/25/2020 (10:00 AM – 6:00 PM)
- Sheep Skillathon: Wed 7/29/2020 (10:00 AM – 6:00 PM)
- Dog Skillathon: Mon 8/3/2020 (10:00 AM – 6:00 PM)
- Poultry Skillathon: Tue 8/4/2020 (10:00 AM – 6:00 PM)
- Swine Skillathon: Wed 8/5/2020 (10:00 AM – 6:00 PM)
- Beef Skillathon: Thu 8/6/2020 (10:00 AM – 6:00 PM)
- Rabbit Skillathon: Fri 8/7/2020 (10:00 AM – 6:00 PM)

YOUTH INVITED TO PITCH THEIR BUSINESS IDEAS!

The Ohio Afterschool Network Pitch Challenge is for students entering Kindergarten through high school 2020 graduates. All you need to do is come up with an idea for a business – it can be a product, technology, or service business – or even a way to improve your school or community. You don't need to start the business; you just need to enter a 45-90 second video pitching your idea! Deadline to enter is July 31, 2020. Check out this [flyer](#) for prize information and registration details.

OHIO 4-H PROJECT SHOWCASE

This summer we invite 4-H members in good standing to submit a photo of themselves with their 4-H project for display in an online project showcase. You will be asked to share what you liked about the project and one new thing you learned. Parents will also need to sign their approval for youth to participate. Questions? Contact Sarah Longo at longo.79@osu.edu

Here's what to do:

- Select your favorite project – one per person.
- Send a great photo – at least 2 MB. Photos will be displayed after September 8 at <https://ohio4h.org>.
- Submit your photos by August 15 at <https://go.osu.edu/4H2020Showcase>.

Take care, stay safe, and just breathe.