

MIAMI COUNTY 4-H NEWS UPDATE

WEEK OF MARCH 14, 2021

MEETING GUIDELINES UPDATED – MARCH 11

Has your club resumed in-person meetings? In-person meetings are acceptable as long as they are educational in basis. **The guidelines have been updated with new information for horse clubs (Pg. 6).** Before hosting an in-person club meeting, please take a few minutes to review the complete guidelines: [Ohio 4-H Planning Guide for In-Person Meetings & Events](#) .

TOP TEN DISEASES OF BACKYARD POULTRY

There will be a virtual class event on the Top Ten Diseases of Backyard Poultry on Tuesday, **March 16**, at 7:00 p.m. This class is free and open to the public so bring your friends and your questions. Registration for this webinar is required. Click [here](#) for further information.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR 4-H ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Looking for a way to support 4-H but do not want to be a 4-H Club Advisor at this time? Do you have marketing or programming ideas for the 4-H program? Are you a teen with new ideas to share? Then consider becoming a part of the 4-H Advisory Committee of Miami County. The committee is currently meeting via Zoom and is looking for additional members. If you would like to learn more, join us for the next virtual meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, **March 18**. To receive a meeting link, please contact Demetria at woods.372@osu.edu.

OHIO YOUTH INSTITUTE

High school students interested in global issues, and who want to explore making a difference in Ohio and around the world, are invited to participate in the Ohio Youth Institute. Learn more about the World Food Prize and connect with scholars from OSU. Find the details at go.osu.edu/OYI. The deadline is **March 19**.

CURRENT VOLUNTEERS

Policy 1.50 training, an annual state requirement for ALL Ohio 4-H volunteers, will be held virtually and must be completed by our club enrollment deadline, **March 26**. Click [here](#) for course instructions. Please forward your certificate of completion to Connie at veach.7@osu.edu.

A special Zoom Policy 1.50 session will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, March 22. Approximately 24 hours before the session, you will receive a link to connect to the program. Click [here](#) to register. For more information, contact Demetria at woods.372@osu.edu or 937-703-6051.

ENROLL TODAY

The Miami County 4-H Club enrollment deadline is **March 26, 2021**. Please click [here](#) for enrollment information. Videos and tip sheets have been posted to aid new and returning families.



SCHOLARSHIPS

[Miami County Agricultural Leadership Application](#) - Deadline April 1

[Miami County Farm Bureau Scholarship](#) – Deadline April 1

[A. B. Graham Memorial Center Scholarship](#) – Deadline April 16

4-H SPECIAL INTEREST (SPIN) CLUBS

4-H SPIN Club: Food Science – This virtual club will be held **March 23 - April 1**, 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. and is for middle school and high school students. It includes a food science learning kit. To register visit: <https://go.osu.edu/ciftclub> .

4-H SPIN Club: 4-H World Changers - From cartoons to movies to video games, animations are everywhere! Join this club for weekly virtual sessions beginning **April 8** to unlock your inner animator! Registration is now open: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/4HWorldChangers> .

4-H SPIN Club: Let's Get Crafty - This virtual club is for youth in grades 3-12 who want to learn and create a variety of art projects. During this 6-week SPIN club, participants will receive information and then actively create projects during the one-hour meeting time. An Art Gallery will spotlight the club participants' projects on April 29. To register visit: <https://go.osu.edu/crafty>.

CELEBRATE TEENS IN YOUR COMMUNITY WITH \$5K

Are you a teen making a positive impact in your community? Then you are an Invisalign ChangeMaker. In partnership with National 4-H Council, they are giving \$5,000 to 100 teens (ages 13-19) who are changing the world for the better. Applications are being accepted through **March 31, 2021**. Click [here](#) for more information.

FIRST-YEAR 4-H HORSE PROJECT MEMBER REQUIREMENT

EquiSTEP is a horse safety, handling and management program. All first-year Miami County 4-H Horse Project members **must complete the EquiSTEP On-Line Course by April 1, 2021**. Click [here](#) to register for this program.

MAKING THE BEST 4-H CLUBS BETTER

4-H Advisors! If you're looking for great resources for your club meetings, you'll find them at Making the Best 4-H Clubs Better. These 30 in-person lessons cover many different topics and are 20 minutes or less. Twenty of these lessons can also be offered virtually. Find them all at go.osu.edu/best4hclubs.

4-H AND JOANN PARTNERSHIP

JOANN and 4-H are creating opportunities for all kids to create, make and learn through hands-on experiences. You can help inspire a child's creativity by donating \$1 or \$4 at checkout when you visit JOANN in-store or online now through April 30. Learn more at: <http://bit.ly/3iAa7td> .

Take care, stay safe, and just breathe.

