

MIAMI COUNTY 4-H NEWS UPDATE

WEEK OF MARCH 7, 2021

### FIND YOUR SPARK!

**It's Ohio 4-H Week, March 7-13!** From projects to camp to community service and club meetings, 4-H youth find their spark in 4-H. To begin the week, here's the recipe for a great 4-Her - <https://youtu.be/4f4Gmk2Bz0!>

### MEETING GUIDELINES REMINDER

Has your club resumed in-person meetings? In-person meetings are acceptable as long as they are educational in basis. Before hosting an in-person club meeting, please take a few minutes to review the complete guidelines: <http://go.osu.edu/21meetingguidelinesfebruary>.

### OHIO 4-H AWARDS RECOGNITION

The state recognition of volunteer awards, which normally takes place during the Ohio 4-H Conference, will be held virtually on March 11. Register by **March 9** to receive a link to the YouTube Premiere of this event at <https://go.osu.edu/Ohio4-HAwards>.

### NATIONAL 4-H BEEKEEPING ESSAY COMPETITION

Write a short essay (750-1000 words) on "Threats to Bee Colonies and Methods to Defend Against the Threats". One winner from Ohio will be selected to advance to the national competition. Additional information can be found [here](#). Please submit your essay to [woods.372@osu.edu](mailto:woods.372@osu.edu) **before March 12**. Miami County's winning essay will then be forwarded to the State 4-H Office to compete for the honor of representing Ohio 4-H in the contest.

### 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](mailto: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](http://go.osu.edu/OYI). The deadline is **March 19**.

### ENROLL TODAY

The Miami County 4-H Club enrollment deadline is **March 26, 2021**. Please click [here](#) for enrollment information.



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## SCHOLARSHIPS

[2021 Miami SWCD/Larry Studebaker Scholarship](#) - Deadline March 12

[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

## 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 instructions. Please forward your course certificate of completion to Connie at [veach.7@osu.edu](mailto:veach.7@osu.edu).

## 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 run 20 minutes or less. Twenty of these lessons can also be offered virtually. Find them all at [go.osu.edu/best4hclubs](http://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: <http://bit.ly/3iAa7td>

Have you gotten your JOANN Rewards Card? Sign up for free at your local JOANN store or online. It's a great way to shop with purpose while supporting 4-H!

## OHIO 4-H CLOVERBUD CONNECTIONS

Thinking about hibernating this winter? Click [here](#) to find the latest 4-H Cloverbud Connections blog with activities, a book recommendation and even a snack you can enjoy with your Cloverbud! Also, check out the new 4-H Cloverbud Reading Adventures and Click It, Print It, Do It Activities!

Take care, stay safe, and just breathe.

