QUALITY ASSURANCE

The Ohio Department of Agriculture mandates Quality Assurance (QA) for all youth exhibitors (age 8-18) of market and lactating dairy animals. The ODA requires QA to be completed a minimum of 45 days prior to exhibition. Miami County Quality Assurance for 2021 must be completed by June 1, 2021. Virtual Miami County QA programs have concluded. If you missed the sessions, please click here for information on completing Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA).

VIRTUAL SKILLATHONS

Miami County 4-H members enrolled in animal projects must complete a skillathon for each animal project area (excluding cats, llamas, alpacas, and cavies) in which they are enrolled. Members may complete skillathons online. Links are available at https://go.osu.edu/MCsskills. The deadline is June 1, 2021. The categories have been divided by animal project area and age level of members (as of January 1): Juniors, ages 8 (and in 3rd grade) - 11; Intermediate, ages 12 - 14; Seniors, ages 15-18.

2021 MIAMI COUNTY FAIR

Miami County Jr. Fair Livestock entries are available online. Registration ends June 4. For details, please visit: https://miamicountyohiofair.com/Fairbook.

2021 OHIO STATE FAIR

The 2021 OSF Livestock Department schedule and rules are now posted at: https://ohiostatefair.com/agriculture-livestock/livestock/. All entries must be submitted online by June 20.

• Youth exhibiting swine, please pay special attention to important new rules highlighted in your section.

• Ohio State Fair 4-H Poultry Judging Contest Rules and Ohio State Fair 4-H Avian Contest Rules are posted on the Poultry Calendar of Events page. The postmark deadline for entries for both the Poultry Judging Contest and Avian Bowl is Friday, June 25.

• The OSF Junior Fair Non-Livestock Judging Schedule has been posted. Click here for more information.

• Ohio Youth Skillathon information for VIRTUAL and IN-PERSON sessions is now online at: https://ohio4h.org/animalsciences/ohio-youth-skillathons
  o VIRTUAL Skillathon Registration is due by JUNE 14th, 2021! Register by visiting: www.go.osu.edu/skillathonregistration.
  o Those exhibiting at OSF and want to be eligible for Outstanding Market Exhibitor (OME) awards MUST participate at the IN-PERSON skillathons at the state fair.
  o Those exhibiting at OSF and want to be eligible for Outstanding Breeding Exhibitor (OBE) awards MUST participate in the VIRTUAL skillathons online.
HORSE NEWS

- **Horse Lease Agreement** (with Identification Form) – June 1 – Due to the Extension Office. For questions, contact Demetria at woods.372@osu.edu.
- **Horse Identification Form** – June 1 – Due to the Extension Office. For questions, contact Demetria at woods.372@osu.edu (for ALL youth enrolled in a horse project, does not include Horseless Horse).
- **Miami County PAS Show** – June 13 for entry form click here. For questions, contact Jason Moore, miamicountyequine@gmail.com. PAS Qualifying Show information can be found here.

MADLINGER SCHOLARSHIP

The Madlinger Scholarship is open to any 4-H member who is a graduating high school senior. The member may be currently in the 4-H program or have finished the program due to age limitations. The applicant must be in good standing according to the 4-H program guidelines. Click here for details. The deadline is June 1.

OHIO STATE FAIR SCHOLARSHIP

Scholarships will be awarded to junior exhibitors during the Ohio State Fair. Applicants will be judged on scholastic standing, citizenship and leadership, Ohio State Fair participation, county fair participation, and financial need. **Completed applications must be postmarked by June 15, 2021.** Click here for details.

4-H CAMP BUCKEYE FUNDER

The 4-H Camp buckeye funder kicked off Monday, May 24. This is a fundraiser for ALL the Ohio 4-H Camp affiliates.

- Campaign runs May 24 – June 24
- Link: give.osu.edu/4hcamps

TEEN AMBASSADOR BOARD

Looking for a great opportunity to grow leadership and be involved in the state of Ohio? Ohio Attorney General Dave Yost announced that his office is now accepting applications for the Teen Ambassador Board.

Ohio high school students who will be juniors or seniors during the 2021-22 academic year are eligible to apply for the Teen Ambassador Board. Applications are due **June 25, 2021.** Click here for further details.

SAVE THE DATE

Miscellaneous and Family and Consumer Sciences 4-H projects are evaluated during Project Pride Day (PPD). This year it will be held virtually. For details, please register here for the PPD Update on Tuesday, June 15, at 7:00 p.m. Registration deadline 4:00 p.m., June 14.