

Geauga County 4-H 2019



Quality Assurance Information





2019 Quality Assurance



May 4th from 10:00am – 12:00pm @ the Fairgrounds
 Registration: 9:30am – 9:55am.

All participants must be registered by 9:55am.

All first year project members must be accompanied by their legal parent/guardian and sign in.

ATTENTION: All Geauga County 4-H Members with market or lactating animal projects.

Market Steer	Market Poultry (all species)
Market Hog	Laying Poultry (fancy/production poultry)
Market Lamb	Dairy Goats (all)
Market Goat	Dairy (all)
Market Rabbit	Dairy/Beef Feeder projects

Annual completion of Quality Assurance is required for project completion and for exhibit eligibility at the Geauga County Fair and/or the Ohio State Fair.

TRACK 1: Registration at School Building. First year animal members and their legal parent/guardian. Members are required to attend an informational session AND required activity station.

TRACK 2: Registration at Jr. Fair Building. Second year animal project members and above. Parent/guardian not required to attend. Members are required to attend an informational session AND three (3) activity stations.

ALL MEMBERS: Completion will take approximately 1.5 hours. Activities will be inside and outside so dress accordingly. Upon arrival, members will sign in and receive their QA card. As members complete the requirements of the station, the activity station facilitator will sign off on their card. Upon completion of the informational session and required activities, members should return to the registration table and submit their QA Card in the drop box. *Members must stay at their current session until they are dismissed by the station facilitator.* **Members are required to return their QA card to the registration table drop box prior to leaving. Failure to attend the informational session and complete the required stations and/or return QA cards, will result in an incomplete and members will not receive credit for completing QA. No QA cards will be accepted after May 4th. Members should bring a pen or pencil.**

Registration information: 9:30am – 9:55am

Track 1: School Building (Including Out-of-County members)

Track 2: Jr. Fair Building

***Registration will close at 9:55am. Late arrivals will not be allowed to complete the program.**

Please leave your cell phones at home. If a youth is caught using a cell phone or other electronic device, he/she will be asked to leave, resulting in an incomplete and the member will not receive credit for attending.

Again in **2019** youth have the opportunity to test out of the Quality Assurance in each age bracket, unless this is their first year in a livestock project. **See Test-Out information for complete details.**

Youth must attend a Quality Assurance program before June 1st in order to participate in the 2019 Junior Fair shows.



Quality Assurance Testing Option 2019

Testing is offered the week of April 15-19 during normal business hours or April 18th at 7:00pm. Members must pre-register at least 24 hours in advance.

QA Study Session will be held April 18th at 6:00pm before the test out option. Members must pre-register.

As an alternative to participating in the mandated annual quality assurance training, Geauga County Junior Fair food animal project exhibitors ages 12-14 and 15-18 may elect to take a Quality Assurance test in their primary project area. This test is administered by and under the supervision of Ohio State University Extension. Those who pass the test will be exempt from annual quality assurance re-certification until they move into the next age bracket or are no longer a Geauga County Junior Fair feed exhibitor.

General Guidelines

- Only returning Geauga County Junior Fair food animal exhibitor's ages 12-14 and 15-18 are eligible for the Quality Assurance Test out option.
- New and/or first time food animal exhibitors and all returning food animal exhibitors ages 8 and in the third grade through age 11 ARE NOT eligible for the testing option. All ages are based on members 4-H age as of January 1st of the current year.
- Exhibitors need to register to take the test. When calling, participants or parents/legal guardians need to be prepared to provide the following information:
 - Participants name
 - 4-H Club
 - Primary project area (large animal or small animal)
 - Age group (12-14 or 15-18)
- Testing participants need to score a minimum of 70% to pass the test and meet the exemption requirements. Each test is comprised of 50 multiple choice questions worth 2 points each.
- Exhibitors will be permitted to take the test **ONLY** once. If they fail to meet the minimum 70% passing grade, they **MUST** attend and complete a QA Training Program for the year.
- Scores will be returned to the exhibitor as part of a letter. No tests will be returned.
- Participants must leave their cell phones, tablets, etc. at home or with a parent/guardian while taking the test. Absolutely no communication of any kind during the test is permitted. Those caught with electronic media while testing will be asked to leave the room and forfeit the option to test out.
- Cheating will not be tolerated. The participant will be warned and then asked to turn in their test and leave the room.
- Participants should arrive on time. Testing will begin exactly at the scheduled time.
- Participants should double check they are taking the correct test based on their projects.
- No parents/guardians are allowed to sit with members during testing.
- Members requiring special accommodations should notify the Extension Office when calling to register.



Geauga County 4-H Quality Assurance Study Guide

Testing Categories (Primary Project Area):

Large Animals: Beef, Sheep, Swine, Dairy, and Goats

Small Animals: Rabbits, All Poultry

The following information is provided as an aid designed to assist the youth market livestock exhibitor in focusing their studying efforts on the basic areas of Quality Assurance that are addressed on the test. In no way does this guide imply or offer the only information that will be included on the Quality Assurance test. The majority of the testing material was taken directly from the project record book and supplemental resource handbooks. Additional study materials can be found on the Geauga Extension website.

NEW 2019: QA Study Session will be held before the evening test out option on April 18th at 6:00pm. Members must pre-register with the Extension Office.

General Testing Topics Include:

- Husbandry
- Housing
- Animal Identification
- Biosecurity
- Feeding
- Medications
- Injections and Routes of Administration
- Good Production Practices
- Animal Welfare
- Disease Management
- Emergency Action Plans
- Handling and Transportation of Animals
- Record Keeping
- Making Ethical Decisions
- Regulatory Agencies and Laws
- Environmental Stewardship
- Drug Usage/Residue/Labels
- Body Condition Scoring

2019 Assuring Quality Care for Animals/Quality Assurance Programs of Northeast Ohio

All Junior Fair and 4-H youth taking marketable and/or lactating livestock projects must attend an Ohio Quality Assurance Program. Below is a list of QA dates within the WREERA.

4-H members wishing to attend a Quality Assurance program outside of their own county **MUST** pre-register with their own county. The home county 4-H staff will register 4-H member with the desired county Quality Assurance program.

Youth must be in attendance for the entire program. Signed documentation by the Quality Assurance instructor of out-of-county attendance is the responsibility of the 4-H member as proof of participation.

Ashtabula County	April 28 - 1:30 p.m. & May 29 - 6:30 p.m. 4-H Expo Building @ Ashtabula County Fairgrounds. \$5.00 fee for Out of County participants. No admittance after the first 10 mins. Call 216-429-8200 for information.
Cuyahoga County	
Geauga County	May 4 - 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. @ Geauga County Fairgrounds \$5.00 fee for Out of County participants. Must be checked-in by 9:55 a.m.
Lake County	February 27 and April 17 Call 440-350-2582 for more information.
Lorain County	February 6, March 6, March 26, April 24 and May 29 at 6:30 p.m. @ New Russia Twp. Lodge (West Wing) 46300 Butternut Ridge Rd., Oberlin There is no admittance after the first 10 minutes.
Medina County	March 27, April 30 and May 23 6:30 -8:30 p.m. @ Medina County Community Center - \$5.00 fee for Out of County participants. There is no admittance after the first 10 minutes.
Trumbull County	April 6 - 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. @ Trumbull County Fairgrounds \$10.00 fee for Out of County participants. Registration in Sr. Fair Board Building. There is no admittance after the first 10 minutes.
Portage County	April 27 10:00 - Noon & May 19 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. @ Portage County Fairgrounds – Hubbard Building \$5.00 fee for Out of County participants. Pre-registration is required for ALL our of county participants by calling or email – 330-296-6432 or stenson.16@osu.edu
Youth Poultry Clinic	April 13 ATI/Wooster www.poultry.osu.edu
OSU Jr. Swine Day	March 30 @ OSU Columbus or OARDC, Wooster https://porkinfo.osu.edu/news/proceedings-andupcoming-events
Ohio Beef Expo	March 15- 3:30 p.m. @ Cooper Arena, Ohio Expo Center https://www.ohiobeefexpo.com/scheduleevents/youth-events
DairyPalooza	Northeast – April 27 @ Canfield, Mahoning Co. Fairgrounds http://www.ohiodairypalooza.com/

Please call the county OSU Extension Office for details.



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**Ohio 4-H Quality Assurance
Program Verification Form
Geauga County**

(Must be turned into the Geauga County Extension Office by June 1st.)

4-H member name: _____ 4-H age: _____

Club: _____

1) I have successfully completed a quality assurance program outside of Geauga County. The program I participated in was:

Event: _____ Date: _____
(ie: other county, Ohio Beef Expo, etc.)

Coordinated by: _____
(list instructors)

OR

2) If you tested out of Quality Assurance at an event other than Geauga County 4-H QA testing dates, please list complete the following:

Event: _____ Date: _____
(ie: Ohio Beef Expo, etc.)

Test coordinated by: _____
(list proctor of test)

Test type: Small Animal Large animal (check one)
 12-14 yrs 15-18 yrs (check one)

Test score: _____

I, attest that _____ has completed his/her
(Insert 4-Her's name)

requirement for Quality Assurance by 1) participating in our program or 2) testing out during our program. Please contact me with any questions.

Coordinator: _____
(Please print)

Signature: _____

Title: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

