

The Geauga 4-H Report



JUNE - JULY 2022

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June

- 1 **QA Completion Deadline**
- 3 Deadline to Register for 4-H Camp
- 6 Camp Counselor Training
- 12 – 17 Geauga-Trumbull 4-H Camp
- 20 Observation of Juneteenth – Extension Office Closed
- 24 Deadline to Register for Cloverbud Camp

July

- 1 Online Project Judging Opens.
- 4 Independence Day – Extension Office Closed
- 14 & 15 Cloverbud Camp
- 15 Online Project Judging Closes at 11:59pm

August

- 10 Jr. Fair Entry Deadline
- 13 Photography Contest Entries Due
- 21 Online DUNFs Due
- 30 Jr. Fair Move In Day

September

- Aug 30- Sept 5 The Great Geauga County Fair
- 5 Labor Day – Extension Office Closed

Important Dates!

Ohio State Fair Registration Deadline
June 20th

Livestock Project Judging: ONLINE
July 1 through 11:59pm on July 15

**Miscellaneous/General Project Judging
In Person**
Saturday, July 16th
By Appointment Only

Cloverbud Camp
July 14 & 15, Camp Burton
Register by June 24

Clothing & Textile Judging (Style Show)
July 19th

Welcome Liberty! Geauga 4-H Summer Assistant

Liberty Mosher is the Summer Student Assistant at the Geauga County Extension Office. She is a past Geauga County 4-H member with twelve years of involvement in the program and will be assisting Geauga County Extension with multiple activities this summer. Liberty is a junior at Bowling Green State university where she is studying Nursing and Health Admiration. After she graduates, she hopes to become an Emergency Room Nurse, and continue her education to become a Nurse Practitioner.

Liberty will be assisting with the preparation and facilitation with camp counselors and campers at the Geauga-Trumbull 4-H resident camp, Nature Camp, and Cloverbud Camp. Additionally, she will be assisting with the Style Revue, Project Judging, and other 4-H assignments throughout the summer.

Liberty will be with the OSUE Geauga until August 12th. Please join us in welcoming Liberty and ensuring she had a positive 4-H experience in her new role. To contact Liberty, please call the Extension Office or she can be reached via email at mosher.128@osu.edu.



2022 Project Judging Information

Online Livestock Project Judging 2022: Beef, Dairy, Goats, All Poultry, Rabbits, Sheep, and Swine

Project judging will be open from July 1 through 11:59pm, July 15.

Do not wait until the last minute. The system will automatically close at 11:59pm, stopping any in progress activity, resulting in an incomplete test. Links will be sent out mid-June.

Online Skillathon Test Project Judging

Project completion tests are an Ohio 4-H approved skillathon test. Completion of test and project book reviewed by the club advisor results in project completion for 2022.

- Tests are age based not years in project.
- Tests are species based. Ex: All goat projects (pygmy, pack, meat, etc.) will take the Goat test.
- Members complete one test per species.
- Youth must correctly enter an email address to have their score emailed to them. Please print a copy of the email for your records and to share with your club advisor.
- There is no time limit for the test and a while a minimum score is not required, members should still take this method of project completion seriously.
- Project judging scores may be taken into consideration for year-end awards.
- Members can take the tests from any computer or smartphone. Youth are welcome to take their tests at the Extension Office if they need assistance. Prior arrangements must be made.
- Youth must complete the entire test in one sitting.
- Youth should only take the test one time. The first test score recorded will be the official score.
- Technical difficulties must be communicated to the Extension Office **prior** to the deadline.
- The Extension Office will have very limited availability on July 14 and 15 due to Cloverbud Camp.

Scenario: Dakota's 4-H age is 16. This is his second year in Market Ducks, fifth year in Market Turkey, and first year in Beef Breeding. To complete project judging, Dakota's club advisor will review his books and he will complete the Poultry Senior Test and Beef Senior Test.

Late Project Completion: July 18-21.

- Youth who fail to complete their judging by the deadline must contact the Extension Office.
- Youth must complete their judging tests at the Extension Office during regular office hours by appointment only.
- There is a **\$25 per project late fee** for completion after 11:59pm on July 15th.

Clothing & Textile Judging Registration

Clubs with members participating in clothing and textile judging should register their members and the project(s) they wish to have judged and submit a \$5.00 registration fee. This registration fee helps the Style Review Committee cover the cost of the Style Show. Members pay the fee regardless of whether they are participating in the Style Show or Alternative Judging. Failure to pay will result in not being judged (projects not judged result in an incomplete and do not count towards members 4-H years or fair eligibility). Registration fee is \$5.00 per member (not per project). Clubs should collect the fees and write a club check to the Style Review Committee. Money and the registration form are due by July 1st to the Extension Office.

Clothing judging registration forms can be found:

https://geauga.osu.edu/sites/geauga/files/imce/Program_Pages/4H/Clothing/Clothing%20Registration%20and%20Payment%20Form.pdf

Miscellaneous/General Project Judging 2022: School Building, Geauga Fairgrounds

In-person project judging: Saturday, July 16th – by appointment only 10:00am – 1:00pm

Miscellaneous/General Project Judging includes the following projects areas: Child & Family Development, Creative Arts, Food & Nutrition, Health Living, Home Living, Leadership & Citizenship, Money Management, Natural Resources, Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math, and Self-Determined Projects.

NEW for 2022: Guinea Pigs and Pocket Pets (Hamsters, Gerbils, Rats, Mice) will also participate in General Project Judging. Members should bring their completed project book and a poster display depicting their project and what they learned. No animals permitted.

All members wishing to be judged need to contact the Extension Office starting June 21st and register for a judging appointment by July 1st.

Members will need to bring their completed project book, pen or pencil, and their presentation materials.

Miscellaneous projects must be judged on July 16th to be eligible for State Fair. Members should arrive no more than 5 minutes before their appointment.

Alternate Miscellaneous/General Project Judging: Please contact the Extension Office

Advisors interested in serving as a judge or would like to recommend a judge should also contact the Extension Office.

Not sure what needs to be completed before judging? Visit <http://www.ohio4h.org/families/ohio-state-fair/state-fair-non-livestock-4-h-guidebook> for a complete list of project requirements. County completion requirements are the same as the State Fair requirements.

Quality Assurance

Members must submit copy of certificate to the Extension Office by 4:30pm on June 1st.

YQCA Option – Online <https://yqcaprogram.org/>

Youth will have the option to fulfill their QA requirement by completing an online Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) session again in 2022. The Ohio State University's College of Food, Agricultural and Environmental Sciences (CFAES) OSU Extension 4-H Youth Development program, in partnership with the Ohio Department of Agriculture (ODA) and Youth for the Quality Care for Animals (YQCA), has endorsed the following option for youth who are officially enrolled in a 4-H and/or FFA livestock/food animal project.

For the training to meet the Ohio Youth Food Animal QA requirement for the project year:

- Youth must complete the online session by 4:30pm, June 1, 2022.
- The on-line module completed MUST be for the correct 4-H age for the youth.
- Must submit copy of certificate to the Extension Office by 4:30pm **June 1st.**

Please Note:

- All other online courses **do not** meet the Ohio Youth Food Animal QA Certification requirements. This is the only online (non-OSU) opportunity available to 4-H members.
- The Geauga County Agricultural Society has approved this online YQCA option.
- The \$12 fee is imposed and collected by the YQCA and not the Geauga Extension Office or the Geauga Agricultural Society

Blankets for Veterans
Community Service Opportunity
Sew Sew Sweet 4-H Club

Make No-Sew Blankets for our Veterans that will be distributed at the Great Geauga County Fair on Friday, September 2, 2022 at the Veteran's Tent.

These blankets should start with 2 fleece fabrics measuring at least 1 1/2 yard pieces.

Please have blankets turned into the Extension Office by August 19th in a bag labeled with your 4-H clubs name on it. Please remember this is a community service project that could count towards your Honor Club application.

If you should have any questions regarding this project, please contact Lisa Briggs at briggsl@ymail.com or at 440-313-2371. Thank you for your help in honoring our Veterans.

Thank you vets and their families



for your service and sacrifice!

Greener Fields 4H Club Community Service Project



Supporting the Geauga Hunger Task Force

Greener Fields 4-H Club, in partnership with all of Geauga County 4-H and Dr. Augustine Kellis, will again be running a food drive for the Geauga Hunger Task Force. Our drive this year is being led by Jayme O'Neill and our Food Drive Committee. The GHTF supports five local food pantries in Geauga County, as well as provides support to NextStep, to groups that deliver home based meals, to provide lunch meals to Seniors at Chagrin Falls Park Community Center, financial support to local churches providing community meals, financial support to Claridon Cares which provides summer lunches to students, and to the Veterans pantry.

All donations and money from 4-H clubs and businesses who give through the 4-H drive will be matched up to \$20,000. In 2021, the Geauga 4-H and business donations, plus the match from Dr. Kellis, totaled a little over \$42,000.00!!! If any club wants to send a financial donation, please mail it to the Geauga Hunger Task Force (check payable to them), Attn: Claudia Toth, 209 Center St., Chardon, OH 44024. Please indicate in the memo line that it's for the 4-H food drive. If it's not a club check, please also include the club name so your club's participation can be noted. It would be helpful to also send a tally sheet to Christine or Jayme. If a club or personal donation of food items is made, please send a tally sheet so that club participation and the match can be recorded. A tally sheet and food drive and contact information are attached. **Please note the food drive is ending August 1** this year to give us all plenty of time to prepare for fair. Thank you all for your past help and



2022 Photography Contest

New Categories and Divisions!

Check out the flyer for complete contest information and details.

Members may enter more than one division. Deadline for photo submissions is August 13th.

4-H CAMP OPPORTUNITIES

Geauga-Trumbull 4-H Camp

June 17 – 22, 2022

Cost: \$325

Registration Deadline is June 6th.

Already looking for summer plans? Join us for a week of fun and memories at 4-H Camp Whitewood. Campers enjoy swimming, shooting sports, nature, campfires, games, and much more.

<https://www.4hcampwhitewood.com/>



We are excited to announce that our friends at the Geauga County Senior Fair Board are offering \$100 camper scholarship to the first 50 Geauga 4-H members who sign up for our camp week! No application necessary. Campers must be currently enrolled in a Geauga County 4-H Club for the 2022 year. Contact the Extension Office with any questions.



Geauga 4-H Cloverbud Camp 2022

When: July 14 & 15

Times: Drop off: 7:30 - 8:00am
Pick up: 5:00 - 5:30pm

Where: Camp Burton

Cost: \$10 per camper

Reduced cost thanks to the generous donations to the Tractor Supply Paper Clover Campaign.

Registration Opens April 15th

Registration packet must be submitted to the Geauga Extension by June 24th.

<https://geauga.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/cloverbuds>

Ohio 4-H Shooting Sports Education Camps

Canter's Cave 4-H Camp, Jackson, OH

Jr. Camp: July 15-17
Cost: \$250

Sr. Camp: July 24-29
Cost: \$375

<https://ohio4h.org/families/members/events-opportunities/shooting-sports/4-h-shooting-ed-camp>

Interested in being a Shooting Sports Counselor? Applications available at:

https://osu.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_7aLVZrJjXbJ8Zo



Jr. Fair Information

Again, this year we are having a contest for the drawing on the back of our tee shirts. All artists interested in submitting a drawing should draw their picture on an 8 ½ x 11 sheet of white paper. Remember, the picture should reflect this year's theme: "Stitching Together 200 Years of Memories with Junior Fair." See the attached flyer. Good luck to all!

Jr. Fair Dates to Remember

As of January 22, 2022

- June 1** King and Queen applications due in the Junior Fair Office
- July 9** King and Queen interviews at the fairgrounds
- July 16** Exhibitors can enter their projects online. Also, market animal assessments are due. It is \$10.00 per lot through the sale. Assessments should be turned in to the advisor and the advisor will turn in the total amount and the list of exhibitors and their projects. At this time, the advisors will be able to get the buyer's boards for their members.
- August 10** Entries for fair close.
- August 21** Online completed Drug Use Notifications (DUNF) are due in the Secretary's Office at the fairgrounds.
- August 30 (move in date) through September 5 – The Great Geauga County Fair**

We gratefully acknowledge the continued help and financial support of our Geauga County Commissioners
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