

Marion County Pre-Fair Information

Please read the ENTIRE packet to ensure you do not miss anything! Failure to read will result in missing a deadline or requirement to exhibit at the fair. If you have specific questions, please email Margo (long.1632@osu.edu). We are looking forward to a great fair!

MARION COUNTY 4-H INFORMATION

You can find the most current information on the Marion County 4-H website. You will find answers to many of your questions, as well as forms and resources on the website.

MARION COUNTY FAIR BOOK

The fair book will be available at the Extension Office or the Senior Fair Board Office. An electronic version is available [here](#).

The information in your advisor handbook is the same information in the fair book so you can also use that for class numbers. Be sure to use current year's information as classes and rules change from year to year. Fair information is also available in the department packets in the members' books, at the Extension Office or on the OSU Extension Marion website at <http://marion.osu.edu>.

MARION COUNTY FAIR PHOTO IDENTIFICATION BADGES FOR MEMBERS

This year the Marion County Senior Fair Board is again using photo identification badges for youth to enter the fairgrounds during the week of the fair. THANK YOU PEACOCK WATER, FOR THEIR GENEROUS DONATION OF SUPPLYING THE PHOTO IDs!!!

Youth will need to get their pictures taken, at the Sr. Fair Board office, during the following dates and times:

Monday, June 7	9:00 am – 4:00 pm	Wednesday, June 16	9:00am – 8:00pm
Tuesday, June 8	9:00 am – 4:00 pm	Thursday, June 17	9:00am – 4:00pm
Wednesday, June 9	9:00 am – 4:00 pm	Friday, June 18	9:00am – 4:00pm
Thursday, June 10	9:00am – 8:00 pm	Monday, June 21	9:00am – 4:00pm
Friday, June 11	9:00am – 4:00 pm	Tuesday, June 22	9:00am – 4:00pm
Saturday, June 12	9:00am – 4:00 pm	Wednesday, June 23	9:00am – 4:00pm
Monday, June 14	9:00am – 4:00pm	Thursday, June 24	9:00am – 4:00pm
Tuesday, June 15	9:00am – 4:00pm		

The Sr. Fair Board has set a fee of \$10 for all photo ids NOT made by **THURSDAY, June 24 at 4:00 p.m.**

As you can see, there are evening and weekend times in an effort to give parents as much flexibility as possible. Youth will have their picture taken during one of these times and get their badge made. They will receive this badge when they check an exhibit in at the fair on Saturday or Sunday prior to fair. Sr. Fair Board has set a fee of \$10 for all badges that need to be replaced during fair week.

For questions about photo identification badges, please call the Sr. Fair Board office at 740-382-2558. If you do not pick up your photo id by Sunday prior to fair, you will need to pay to get onto the fairgrounds.

FAIR PASSES FOR PARENTS & ADVISORS

Passes will only be available for purchase and the Senior Fair Board Office NOT the Extension Office. Parents are encouraged to buy a weeklong fair pass at the Sr. Fair Board Office. They are \$25.00 for the week. Daily admission to the fair is \$8.00.

Only advisors who have met orientation, club attendance, and administrative requirements (finger printing, application and **attended policy 1.50 training**) will receive their fair membership pass at a reduced price. A membership pass includes the right to vote for board members. The reduced-price advisor pass allows advisors to enter open class but **does not give you the right to vote or parking privileges**. Contact the Senior Fair Board Office for more information.

MILKSHAKE STAND HELP

The 4-H Advisory Council fundraiser helps support Marion County 4-H activities and helps to keep costs down for members. Parents and 4-H members are needed to work shifts of 2 1/2 hours. Please call your advisor and volunteer to work. ***Advisors, if you have not contacted the Extension Office to sign up for a shift, please do so ASAP.***

MARION COUNTY FAIR T-SHIRT

The Marion County Junior Fair Board has put in TONS of work to roll out their annual fair “shirt” sale--they've done it ALL this year! Take a peek at the tumblers, shirts, hats, and sweatshirts. Orders will be available for pickup at the Junior Fair Board Office during fair week. Get those orders in by June 11! Order here: <https://hesslersllc.com/collections/4h>

JUNIOR FAIR CORONATION

This year’s Junior Fair Coronation will be held on Monday, June 28 at Noon in Evers Arena, following the Opening Ceremony.

4-H AWARDS & RECOGNITION

The 4-H Project Awards program will be held in Evers Arena, following the Opening Ceremony and Junior Fair Coronation on Monday, June 28 (approximately at 1 p.m.). This will include all non-livestock projects, booth awards, 4-H Style Revue, Outstanding 4-H member, 4-H Advisory Council awards and 4-H Advisor recognition.

NON-LIVESTOCK PROJECT JUDGING (including Small Animals)

In order to have the opportunity to be selected for county awards or the Ohio State Fair, youth are required to participate in Non-Livestock Project Judging. Alternate still project completion options can be found below (FLIPGRID). Exhibiting at the county fair is not a requirement for membership; however, exhibition is required to take advantage of benefits offered by the Senior Fair Board. In order to exhibit at the Ohio State Fair, all county requirements must be met. So, please plan accordingly to ensure you meet this requirement. 😊

In-Person Project Judging Pre-Registration

Youth must be pre-registered ONLINE no later than **Friday, June 17 at 11:59 p.m.** in order to participate in the in-person/ZOOM project judging offering. Please, please, please make sure to indicate what project you are going to be getting judge AND if you will be in-person or on ZOOM. *If you do not see your project below, please email Megan Watson, intern, watson.1147@osu.edu.*

For more information, please visit go.osu.edu/marion4hnonlivestock

If you are unable to attend project judging...

Flipgrid modules will be open for submissions beginning June 1 and will close by June 18 at 11:59 p.m. Additional information for submission will be sent no later than June 1.

For more information, please visit go.osu.edu/marion4hnonlivestock

IDENTIFICATION ON ALL EXHIBITS

Mark all exhibits using tape, pen, magic marker, etc., to identify exhibitors' name, club, phone number, and address. This should be other than on the exhibitor's card and should be under, on the back of, or somewhere unseen by the public. Every year there are unidentified projects that are left at the fair.

Junior Fair FFA/4-H Project Exhibit I.D. cards will be available for pick-up at the Extension Office. Please see that one person is designated to pick up your club's or chapter's cards. These are the 4"x 6" cards (color printed with the respective 4-H/FFA Emblem) that identify the respective project exhibit for the public. Clubs/chapters can also make their own exhibit cards if desired.

JUNIOR FAIR AWARDS

Every year over \$5,000 worth of special awards and trophies are given out at the fair. Do not forget to thank your sponsor. You should have an address attached to the award, but if not call, the Extension Office and we will give it to you.

FAIR PREMIUMS AND RIBBONS

Whether it is your first year in 4-H or your last, the ribbon you earn for your project represents the hard work you have done. The Marion County Sr. Fair Board sponsors the ribbons, as well as your premiums. Be sure to send them a thank you!

Marion County Sr. Fair Board
220 E. Fairground Street
Marion, OH 43302

JUNIOR FAIR GRADING AND PREMIUMS

Premiums are incentives paid by the Senior Fair Board to encourage exhibitors to participate in the fair. Projects must be entered, judged, and exhibited at the fair in order to receive premiums. ****All members taking livestock projects (horse, beef, sheep, swine, dairy, goats, poultry and rabbits) must participate in a skillathon to be eligible to receive premiums.** All Jr. Fair exhibitors' premiums are paid during the fair. Department officials fill out a premium voucher for each exhibitor. After **1:00 p.m.** the day following judging, premium vouchers may be picked up at the Jr. Fair Board office, **Exception: Dog** premium vouchers are handed out at the show on Friday. **Non-livestock project** premium vouchers will be in a special packet for your club at the Booth Building on Saturday. The voucher must then be taken to the Sr. Fair Board Office for premium payment. Exhibitors, parents, or advisors may do this. Identification may be required (fair pass, driver's license, etc.). **Premiums not** picked up during the fair **will be forfeited**. Premiums are paid at the Senior Fair Board Office.

LIVESTOCK EXHIBITOR INFORMATION:

LIVESTOCK SKILLATHON

Junior Fair exhibitors are required to attend and participate in at **least one** skillathon to meet their completion requirements. **Failure to attend at least one skillathon (including Flipgrid) will result in being ineligible for exhibition at the Marion County Fair.** In order to exhibit at the Ohio State Fair, all county requirements must be met. So, please plan accordingly to ensure you meet this requirement. 😊

SKILLATHON SCHEDULE

June 15, 2021

4 p.m. – 8 p.m.

Marion County Fairgrounds

Dairy
Dairy Feeder
Poultry
Rabbit

June 16, 2021

4 p.m. – 8 p.m.

Marion County Fairgrounds

Beef
Goat
Sheep
Swine

June 23, 2021

4 p.m. – 6 p.m.

Marion County Fairgrounds

Dog

June 23, 2021

6:30 – 8 p.m.

Marion County Fairgrounds

Horse

In-Person Project Judging Pre-Registration

Youth must be pre-registered ONLINE no later than **Friday, June 11 at 11:59 p.m.** in order to participate in the in-person skillathon offering. Some species have numerous openings per time slot. Please read the information carefully in regard to Outstanding Market Exhibitor eligibility.

For more information, please visit go.osu.edu/marion4hlivestock

IMPORTANT FAIRGROUND POLICIES

Pop-up Tents

Pop-up tents will be permitted in designated areas only. Pop-up tents will not be permitted within 20 ft. of all buildings. No tents shall be placed before 8 a.m. on the Monday of fair week. No shearing or fitting in pop-up tent areas.

Picnic Pavilion

No animals are allowed in the picnic pavilion.

For more information or questions, please contact the Marion County Senior Fair Board Office at 740-382-2558.

LIVESTOCK CARE AND GROOMING TO BE DONE BY EXHIBITOR!

Only Junior Fair exhibitors should feed, water, train, or groom exhibit animals during the fair with a minimum of HELP from parents, advisors, and family members only. There is a difference between HELPING and DOING and rules in the fair book specifically cover this topic, particularly for livestock. Please inform your members and parents of these rules and make sure they realize that the exhibit is to be done by the exhibitor under the supervision of the advisor or parent. There are few reasons, other than safety, where an adult should be fitting an animal, particularly a "PROFESSIONAL." Our philosophy believes strongly in "Learning by Doing." Watching doesn't count! The purpose of the Junior Fair is for Junior Fair exhibitors to demonstrate their own abilities to care for, fit, and show their animals. In addition, exhibitors need to be aware of and follow other rules such as not removing exhibits before release time. The rules exist for a purpose but occasionally a few people challenge them. Again, advisors can help by explaining the rules and why they exist. There is a good reason for each rule. Exhibitors are responsible for furnishing their own bedding, feed, feeding equipment, and show equipment. Pens are furnished for rabbits and poultry, although exhibitors are required to furnish their own wood shavings. Swine must bed their pens with dry shavings/sawdust.

LIVESTOCK HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

Have members review the health requirements in the fair book. Be sure they have the proper certificates when they come to the fair. It is embarrassing for a member when they cannot exhibit an animal because they did not have the proper papers and health tests.

Any animals arriving at the fair with signs or symptoms of infectious diseases will not be permitted to stay at the fairgrounds, i.e., ringworm, sore mouths, snuffles, abscesses - will be sent home. It is highly recommended that all exhibitors have their animals inspected by a knowledgeable person - preferably a veterinarian NOW! --so any infectious diseases can be treated and cleared up by fair time.

LIVESTOCK HEALTH CHECKED BY VETERINARIAN AT WEST GATE!

All livestock must enter the west gate (State Street) of the fairgrounds. Animal Health Regulations require that health papers and exhibit animals be inspected by a veterinarian. This will be done again at the west gate as animals enter the grounds.

CHECK-IN SCHEDULE

7:00 a.m. – 11 a.m. **Goat, Sheep and Swine Check-In (West Gate only)**
9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Poultry Check-in and Weigh-In (Evers Arena - North)
2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Rabbit Check-in
6:00 – 8:00 p.m. **Beef, Dairy, and Dairy Feeder Check-In (West Gate Only)**

Horses must be on the fairgrounds June 27, 5:30-6:30 p.m. for mandatory health check. **All horses** must be in place by 7:00 a.m. on Monday of fair through Gate 1 ONLY.

DRUG USE NOTIFICATION FORM (DUNF)

NEW FOR 2021 DUNF FORMS WILL BE SUBMITTED ONLINE. The online DUNF form will be available beginning June 25 and additional information will be provided at that time!

Market animals must turn in a DUNF form to be eligible to show and sell. The form requires the exhibitor and parent/guardian to certify that each individual animal was never treated with drugs or that the drug withdrawal time has elapsed per label directions and that the exhibitor has participated in a Quality Assurance program this year!

It is important that all livestock exhibitors accurately complete the record books provided for project animals, that they understand and follow the Quality Assurance guides found in the back of the project book and it is required to participate in a Quality Assurance program.

Questions? Contact Margo Long at long.1632@osu.edu or 740-914-3024.



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