

Clover Connections



News from Marion County 4-H

Summer 2023

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. Click the links below to direct you to our website.

[Junior Fair Information & Forms](#)

[Project Judging Information](#)

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. There is a set fee of \$10 for all photo ids NOT made by Thursday, June 29 at 4:00 p.m.

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

Thursday, June 1	9am-2pm	Friday, June 16	9am-2pm
Friday, June 2	9am-2pm	Saturday, June 17	9am-4pm
Monday, June 5	9am-2pm	Monday, June 19	9am-4pm
Tuesday, June 6	9am-2pm	Tuesday, June 20	9am-4pm
Wednesday, June 7	9am-2pm	Wednesday, June 21	9am-4pm
Thursday, June 8	9am-2pm	Thursday, June 22	9am-4pm
Friday, June 9	9am-2pm	Friday, June 23	9am-4pm
Sunday, June 11	1pm-6pm	Monday, June 26	9am-4pm
Monday, June 12	9am-2pm	Tuesday, June 27	9am-4pm
Tuesday, June 13	9am-2pm	Wednesday, June 28	9am-8pm
Wednesday, June 14	9am-8pm	Thursday, June 29	9am-4pm
Thursday, June 15	9am-2pm		

PROJECT BOOTH

Theme for the project booths is : FAIROPOLY

Any Junior Fair member organization may reserve booth space for project exhibits or education exhibits. To request a club booth by June 1, use this link:

[Club Booth](#)

LIVESTOCK SKILLATHON

This year the skillathons are on three different days. Remember the exhibitor must participate in at least one skillathon to receive their animal premiums. To be eligible for Outstanding Market Exhibitor, the 4-H or FFA member must complete that species' skillathon.

June 11: Beef, Dairy, Dairy Feeder, and Poultry
1:30-5:00 p.m.; registration begins at 1:15 p.m.
Marion County Fairgrounds (Coliseum)

June 14: Rabbit, Swine, Sheep and Goat
5:00-8:00 p.m.; registration begins at 4:45 p.m.
Marion County Fairgrounds (Coliseum)

June 28: Horse
6:30-7:30 p.m.
Marion County Fairgrounds (Horse Barn)

FAIR ROYALTY & OUTSTANDING 4-H MEMBER

Applications are due June 1 by 4:30 p.m.

Royalty Applications can be found at: [Fair Royalty Application](#)

Outstanding 4-H Member applications can be found at: [Outstanding 4-H member](#)

Interviews will be held on Thursday, June 15 from 5-8pm at the Extension Office.

LIVESTOCK ROYALTY

Applications are due June 1 by 4:30 p.m.

Livestock Royalty Applications can be found at: [Livestock Royalty](#)

Livestock Husbandry applications can be found at: [Livestock Husbandry](#)

Interviews will be held during Skillathons for each species.

NEW: SPECIAL INTEREST PROJECT AMBASSADOR

Applications are due June 1 by 4:30 p.m.

Ambassador Applications can be found at: [Special Interest Project Ambassador](#)

Interviews will be held on Saturday, July 1 from 9am-3pm at Evers Arena.

NEW: CANINE AMBASSADOR

Applications are due June 1 by 4:30 p.m.

Ambassador Applications can be found at: [Canine Ambassador](#)

Interviews will be held on Thursday, June 15 from 5-8pm at the Extension Office.

MILKSHAKE STAND HELP

The 4-H Advisory Committee fundraiser helps support Marion County 4-H activities and helps to keep costs down for members. Parents and older members, 14 and over, are needed to work shifts of 2 hours. Please call your club leader and volunteer to work. **Volunteers, please sign your club up at:** <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040c48a9ac2da5fc1-2023#/>

PRE-JUDGING ON JUNE 27

If you are enrolled in a Family and Consumer Sciences project and/or Crop, Shop, Science and Engineering Project and cannot attend regular judging, you may call the Extension Office and make an appointment to be pre-judged. Projects pre-judged are not eligible for County awards or State Fair Selection.

4-H PROJECT JUDGING

Saturday, July 1 from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. at Evers Arena

All members enrolled in Family and Consumer Sciences project and/or Crop, Shop, Science and Engineering Projects will receive an email in June with information regarding the details of this day.

NEW: SPECIAL INTEREST PROJECT AUCTION (SIPA)

Friday, July 7, 2023; 4:00pm (Following the Pie Auction). Participants in the SIPA is open to any 4-H or FFA member who meets the following criteria:

- Not selling a livestock project in any Jr. Fair Livestock sale this year.
- Has exhibited a special interest clothing, food, nutrition or FFA crop/shop project in the current year's fair.
- Received an "A" grade on the project.
- Turns in a SIPA entry form by the deadline (Wednesday, July 5).

More details and forms can be found at: [Special Interest](#)

LIVESTOCK SALE & SPECIAL INTEREST AUCTION THANK YOU CARDS

The sale committee department members will provide thank you cards to each seller in their barn. They MUST BE completed. If there is no thank you card for you on sale day, you will not be able to participate in the livestock sale. There will be a table with blank thank you cards and pens to complete a buyer thank you card. Also, do not forget to thank your award sponsors as well.

GREEN RECORD BOOKS

Do not forget to complete your green record book as you are doing your project. These are due at the Extension Office on August 31.

JUNIOR FAIR DANCE

Saturday, July 8, 7:00 p.m. in Evers Arena

The 4-H Advisory Committee is sponsoring a Junior Fair Dance for all 4-H and FFA exhibitors.

LIVESTOCK HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

Exhibitors should review the health requirements in the fair book. Be sure they have the proper certificates when they come to the fair.

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 – so any infectious diseases can be treated and cleared up by fair time.

Swine will be checked at the gate by the fair veterinarian. Any animal showing signs of illness will be sent home. The Swine show is a partial terminal show – all swine going through the Jr. Fair sale and Sale of Champions are terminal.

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 at the west gate as animals enter the grounds.

- SWINE Check In - 7:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
- SHEEP Check In – 7:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
- GOAT Check In – 8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
- POULTRY Check In – 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
- RABBIT Check In – 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
- DAIRY AND DAIRY FEEDER Check In – 4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
- BEEF Check In – 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
- Horses must be in place by 7:00 a.m. on Monday, July 3 Horses must attend the Health Check on June 28 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

DRUG USE NOTIFICATION FORM (DUNF)

Market animals must have a (DUNF) submitted during check-in at the Marion County Fair 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.

Here is the link to complete the **REQUIRED** online DUNF:

go.osu.edu/dunfmarion

OUTSTANDING MARKET LIVESTOCK EXHIBITOR

All market livestock exhibitors will earn points toward the Outstanding Market Livestock Exhibitor Award. Points are earned through skillathon points (first 20 placings in each species), Showmanship placings (top 5 placings) and Market Class points (top 5 in respective market class). This achievement carries the prestige and financial reward of selling in the SALE OF CHAMPIONS.

LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST

An activity for all Junior Fair Exhibitors and adults is the Livestock Judging Contest to be held at 10:30 a.m., Friday, July 7 in Evers Arena. Participants will judge market and breeding classes of sheep, beef and swine for high team or individual honors. The thigh team will consist of the three highest scores. Begin now to organize club teams. More information can be found in the fair book.

SHOWMANSHIP SWEEPSTAKES

All department showmanship winners (beef, dairy feeder, dairy/specialty goats, market goats, horse, poultry, rabbits, sheep and swine) are eligible for Showmanship Sweepstakes honors, Friday, July 7 at 7:00 p.m. in the Evers Show Arena. Come support your fellow showman.

STATE FAIR LIVESTOCK ENTRIES DEADLINE – JUNE 20 – THIS INCLUDES POULTRY AND RABBITS

Remember the Ohio State Fair no longer prints a fair book. The livestock information and entry forms are available online at www.ohiostatefair.com.

ALL STATE FAIR (JR. FAIR) ENTRIES ARE REVIEWED AND SIGNED BY EITHER THE RESPECTIVE EXTENSION EDUCATOR OR VO-AG INSTRUCTOR.

June

1	Breeding Sheep and Dairy/Specialty/Boer Goat Fair Entries Due			
1	Club Booth Entries, Junior Fair Royalty Applications, and Outstanding 4-H Member Applications Due			
7	Cloverbud Day Camp	Fairgrounds	9:00 am-3:00 pm	
7	Poultry Clininc	Fairgrounds	6:00-7:00 pm	
8	Camp Counselor Meeting	Prospect RM	6:30-8:30 pm	
11	Beef, Dairy, and Poultry Skillathons	Coliseum	1:30-5:30 pm	
12	4-H Advisory Council Meeting	Ext. Office	6:30-8:00 pm	
14	Rabbit, Sheep, Goat, and Swine Skillathons	Coliseum	5:00-8:00 pm	
15	Junior Fair Royalty and Outstanding 4-H Member Interviews	Ext. Office	5:00-8:00 pm	
16	4-H CAMP REGISTRATION DUE	Ext. Office	By 4:30 pm	
19	Juneteenth - Extension Office is Closed			
20	DEADLINE FOR OHIO STATE FAIR LIVESTOCK ENTRIES			
28	Horse Skillathon and Vet Check	Horse Barns	5:30-7:30 pm	
21	Junior Fair Board Meeting	Evers Arena	7:00-8:30 pm	
22	Camp Counselor Meeting	Prospect RM	6:30-8:30 pm	
26	Make-up Livestock Skillathons	Ext. Office	9:00 am-3:00 pm	By appointment only
27	4-H Project Pre-Judging	Ext. Office	9:00 am-3:00 pm	By appointment only
30	Junior Fair Board Work Night	Pavilion	7:00-8:30 pm	
30	4-H Club Booth Construction	Youth Exhibit Bldg.	5:00-7:00 pm	

July

1	4-H Club Booth Construction	Youth Exhibit Bldg.	9:00 am-3:00 pm	
1	4-H Project Judging	Evers Arena	9:00 am-3:00 pm	
3-8	MARION COUNTY FAIR			
4	Happy Independence Day! - Extension Office is Closed			
8	JUNIOR FAIR BOARD & BARN ADVISOR APPLICATIONS DUE	Junior Fair Board Office		
10	Junior Fair Board Wrap Up Meeting	Evers Arena	6:00-7:00 pm	
12	Carcass Contest	Links	7:00-8:30 pm	
13	Camp Counselor Work Day	Prospect RM	1:00-4:00 pm	
17-21	MARION COUNTY 4-H CAMP	4-H Camp Ohio		**Register with Extension Office by June 16
25	Camp Counselor Wrap Up Meeting	Prospect RM	5:30-7:00 pm	
26	Ohio State Fair Begins	Columbus, Ohio		Runs through Sunday, 8/6