

# GREEN & GROWING

Franklin County 4-H News - December 20, 2023

Happy Holidays  
from  
Franklin County 4-H



## Extension Office Holiday Closure

The Franklin County Extension Office will be closed on the following dates to celebrate the upcoming holidays:

- Monday, December 25, 2023
- Tuesday, December 26, 2023
- Monday, January 1, 2024

## Club Advisors - SAVE THE DATE!

All club volunteer advisors should save the **evening of January 8, 2024**, for the annual Advisor Appreciation & Enrichment Night. The event will contain required training, enrollment information,

as well as recognition of the hard work and dedication that advisors contributed to the 4-H program this past year.



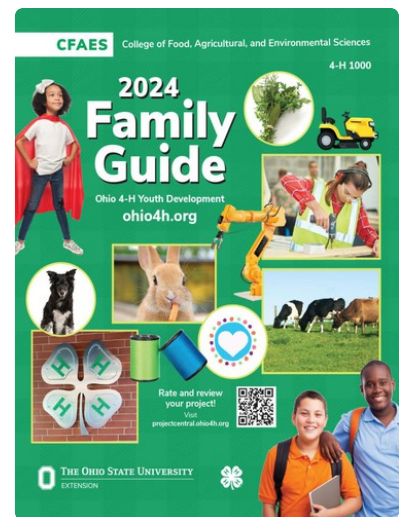
### Recognition Packets Available For Advisor Pick-Up

Attention Advisors! If you have not picked up your club's recognition packet from the recognition event in October, they are ready for pick-up at the Extension office. These packets contain end-of-the-year certificates, award pins, and other awards your members may have earned. Every club has an end-of-year packet regardless of whether members filled out award applications or

not. If you would like to pick up your packet please email Rachel at [stoneburner.31@osu.edu](mailto:stoneburner.31@osu.edu) and she will have it ready for you.

### Ohio 4-H Family Guides Now Available

This is your place to connect to the entire collection of Ohio 4-H project books for the year. When choosing a project, consider your interests, background, what is necessary to start the project, and the resources available to help you complete it. Start looking for your 2024 projects now! Family guides have recently been mailed to all families who participated in 4-H last year, or you can download the Family Guide now at <https://ohio4h.org/familyguide>



## 4-H Enrollment Now Open

You can now re-enroll in 4-H for 2024. Remember to log in with your family's email and password to find your family profile. Watch the videos below for a guide to the enrollment system.

## Returning Member Re-Enrollment

2021 RE-Enrolling in 4-H

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## New Member Enrollment

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### Ohio 4-H Conference

The 2024 Ohio 4-H Conference is designed to bring together 4-H **volunteers and teens** (age 13 and older) from across the State of Ohio. The objective of this event is to learn together and from each other in order to improve our abilities to deliver the Ohio 4-H Program to its members. The educational selections offer something for everyone and have the ability to satisfy every taste and need.

**When:** March 9, 2024

**Where:** Greater Columbus Convention Center

**Registration Deadline:** February 1

Registration information can be found here: <https://franklin.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/teen-opportunities>

## 2024 Trip Scholarships and State Achievement Award Opportunities for Teens

### Trip Scholarships

Each year, the Franklin County 4-H Council raises money to support our local 4-H program. Part of the money they raise goes to providing 4-H teens with amazing opportunities to take part in trips





and camps throughout Ohio and nationally. More detailed information about these opportunities can be found on our [website](#). The opportunities that teens can apply and compete to receive full scholarships for include...

**Citizenship Washington Focus:** *June 20-27, 2024 (Ages 15 and older)*

**Ohio 4-H Leadership Camp:** *June 1-5, 2024 (Ages 15 and older)*

**Camp Canopy: Forestry & Wildlife Conservation Camp:** *June 9-14, 2024 (Entering Grades 9-12)*

**Ohio 4-H Sea Camp:** *July 19-23, 2024 (Ages 15 and older)*

**Buckeye Leadership Workshop:** *April 3-7, 2024*

### **APPLICATION PROCESS**

- To apply for a Franklin County 4-H Trip Scholarship, complete this online trip award application.
- [2024 Trip Award Application](#)

Those interested in completing the application so have prepared answers to the following questions.

1. List the County or State 4-H Activities you have participated in as a 4-H member. Include activities such as, Teen Leaders Council, CarTeens, Camp Counselor for 4-H Camp. Junior Fair Royalty, State Camp events, Junior Fair Board, State and County Fair Activities, etc...
2. List ways you have contributed to your local 4-H Club as a 4-H Member. (Offices held, committees you have served on, and community service projects are a few examples).
3. List the School, Church, and Community Organizations you are actively involved in.
4. In at least two paragraphs, express what 4-H means to you. Please also mention how these 4-H opportunities will enhance your 4-H career.

**NOTE: Some dates for these trips overlap with Franklin County dates which are beyond our control.**

- Franklin County 4-H Camp: June 13-17, 2023 (Monday - Friday)
- Franklin County Fair: July 17-23, 2023



### **State Achievements Awards**

These 27 awards recognize a 4-H member's achievement in a specific area. Areas include: Beef, CARTEENS, Citizenship & Community Service, Clothing & Textiles, Communication, Companion Animals, Creative Arts, Dairy, Environmental Sciences, Family Life & Child Development, Foods & Nutrition, Gardening & Horticulture, Goats, Health & Safety, Horse, Llama, Leadership, Mechanical & Engineering Sciences, Personal Development, Photography, Poultry, Rabbits, Sheep, Shooting Sports, Swine, Veterinary Science, and Woodworking. Each achievement award winner will receive a trip to the National 4-H Congress and which is scheduled to be held in Atlanta, Georgia in late November 2024.

- To apply to be selected as the county nominee for a State Achievement Award and compete for the statewide award, complete the [Ohio 4-H Achievement Record Application](#) and submit it to the Franklin County Extension Office no later than ***January 16, 2024.*** (2548 Carmack Road, Columbus, Ohio 43210)

\*Ohio Achievement Record is not compatible with Google Docs. Please use Microsoft Word to fill out the form.

- ONE COPY OF THE COMPLETED APPLICATION MUST BE SUBMITTED PER ACHIEVEMENT AWARD THAT YOU ARE APPLYING FOR.

## Ohio 4-H Achievement Form Help Available

If you would like to complete the Ohio 4-H Achievement Form but need help getting started, editing, remembering what you have accomplished, or just want it to be looked over before submission, please contact Rachel at [stoneburner.31@osu.edu](mailto:stoneburner.31@osu.edu). Rachel is happy to host workshops for clubs or help individuals complete their forms.



## Other State Awards

- **State Junior Fair Board:** SJFB is comprised of representatives from several different youth organizations in Ohio including 4-H Youth Development. State Junior Fair Board members help strengthen and coordinate State Fair activities in a fast-paced, action-packed month at the Ohio State Fair. Junior Fair Board members are expected to attend meetings and stay at the fair for

the entire 12 days.

- To apply for this opportunity, members need to complete the online application that will be posted here: <https://www.ohiostatefair.com/p/get-involved/jfb>

**OTA Local Government Award:** Two \$1,500 awards are available to any 4-H high school senior who has completed a local government-type activity that has had a significant impact on the applicant's community, township or county.

- To apply for this opportunity, members need to complete the [Ohio 4-H Achievement Record Application](#) and submit it to the Franklin County Extension Office no later than **January 16, 2024.**

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## Ohio 4-H Scholarships

There are over 36 state 4-H scholarships available and each has its own description and its own list of eligibility requirements. Completion of an Ohio 4-H Achievement Record is not necessary to be eligible for these awards/opportunities. Instead, a separate, specialized online application form is required. [Please follow the instructions on the Ohio 4-H website.](#)



## New 4-H Volunteer Orientation

Volunteers help make 4-H possible and are an essential part of the overall program. More than 300,000 youth and adult volunteers participate in the Ohio 4-H program each year. 4-H volunteers



have the opportunity to contribute their time, energies, talents, and knowledge to help develop youth in a positive, educational way. The Franklin County 4-H program is dependent on its incredible adult volunteers to reach the youth of our county. Each time a new volunteer gets involved with the 4-H program, the number of children that benefit from 4-H programs increases!

Is someone you know interested in becoming a 4-H volunteer advisor? All 4-H volunteers must complete the Ohio 4-H volunteer screening process, which includes an [application](#), a completed background check, and a volunteer orientation. The orientation session for new 4-H volunteers for the upcoming 2023 4-H season will be held on February 12, 2024. If you know someone planning to attend, please have them register by emailing Rachel Stoneburner at [stoneburner.31@osu.edu](mailto:stoneburner.31@osu.edu).



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