

2019 Allen Co. 4-H Handbook



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2019 Allen County 4-H Calendar

Remember that dates can change. For an up-to-date Calendar, visit www.allen.osu.edu

January

January 1	Extension Office Closed- New Year's Day
January 2	Junior Leaders Meeting- YAB
January 5	OFMA Junior Fair Conference- Columbus
January 8	4-H Council Meeting- 6:30 SFB
January 15	Ohio State Fair Market Beef DNA Samples Due to Ohio State Fair
January 18	Achievement Record Due to Office
January 21	Extension Office Closed- MLK Day
January 21	Camp Counselor Interviews-10 AM
January 23	Jr. Fairboard Meeting- 7:00 YAB
January 26	State 4-H Horse Advisor & Volunteer Training- 4-H Center Columbus
January 26	Dog Judges' Seminar- Animal Science Building Columbus
January 28	Annual Advisor Recognition and Update Dinner- 6:00 YAB

February

February 1	Ag. Society, Cattleman's and Ruth Adgate & Horse Council Scholarship Applications Due
February 2	Science Saturday- 4-H Center
February 5	Registration for Ohio 4-H Conference Due- Extension Office
February 6	Junior Leaders Meeting- YAB
February 8-10	Reloading Adult Shooting Sports Leadership Workshop- Canter's Cave 4-H Camp
February 8-10	Shooting Sports Coaches Clinic- Canter's Cave 4-H Camp
February 12	4-H Council Meeting- 6:30 SFB
February 13	Camp Counselor Training- 6 PM YAB
February 17	Scholarship Interviews- TBA
February 20	Advisor Quality Assurance Training- 6:00 YAB
February 22-24	Winter Shooting Sports Adult Leadership Workshop, 4-H Camp Ohio
February 23-24	MXC Counselor Workshop- 4-H Center Columbus
February 27	Jr. Fairboard Meeting- 7:00 YAB

March

March 1	Ohio State Fair Scholarship Due
March 3-9	Ohio 4-H Week
March 6	Junior Leaders Meeting- 6:30 PM YAB
March 9	Ohio 4-H Conference- Columbus
March 12	4-H Family Night- 6:00 YAB
March 12	4-H Council Meeting- 6:30 SFB
March 15-16	Camp Counselor Training Overnight- 4-H Camp Palmer
March 15-17	Ohio Beef Expo- Ohio Expo Center Columbus

March 20-24
March 27

Buckeye Leadership Workshop
Jr. Fairboard Meeting/Superintendents- 6:30 YAB

April

April 3
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April 10
April 14
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April 24
April 26-28
April 27
April 28
April 28

Junior Leaders Meeting- YAB
Science Saturday- 4-H Center Columbus
4-H Council Meeting- 6:30 SFB
Camp Counselor Training- 6 PM YAB
Cloverbud Easter Egg Hunt- 2:00-4:00 Fairgrounds
ALLEN COUNTY 4-H ENROLLMENT DEADLINE
Jr. Fairboard Meeting- 7:00 PM YAB
Spring Adult Leadership Workshop- Canter's Cave 4-H Camp
DairyPalooza- Mahoning County Fairgrounds
Quality Assurance Allen Co.- 2-3:30 YAB
Make-up Advisor Training- 4:00 PM YAB

May

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May 14
May 18
May 27
May 31
May 31

Book Order Deadline
Club Programs, Charter's, Constitution, & EIN Due
State Camp Scholarships Due
Junior Leaders Meeting –YAB
Science Saturday- 4-H Canter Columbus
Camp Counselor Training- 6 PM YAB
4-H Council Meeting- 6:30 SFB
Junior Leaders 5K- Fairgrounds
Extension Office Closed- Memorial Day
Goat Weigh-In- 6 PM- 8 PM, Fairgrounds
Camp Registration Day- Extension Office

June

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June 5-7
June 7
June 7
June 9- 14
June 11

PAS Registration Deadline
Camp Registration Day- 8:30-Noon Extension Office
Deadline for Livestock Ownership
(except broiler chickens and market rabbits)
Sheep Weigh In- 8:00 AM- 9:30 AM, Fairgrounds
Horse Lease & Cards Dues
Quality Assurance- 6:00 YAB
Junior Leaders Meeting- YAB
4-H Camp Tech- 4-H Center Columbus
4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl- 4-H Center Columbus
Cloverbud Day Camp Registration Deadline
Camp Canopy (formerly Ohio Forestry Camp)- FFA Camp Muskingum
4-H Council Meeting- 6:30 SFB

June 11-13	4-H Space Adventure Camp- Marietta College
June 13	Ohio 4-H Rabbit Quiz Bowl Entry Deadline
June 14	4-H Camp Registration Deadline
June 15	State 4-H Dog Bowl Contest- 4-H Center Columbus
June 16	Citizenship Washington Focus, Week 1- National 4-H Center
June 17	Royalty Applications Due (Jr. Fair, Horse, Dairy, Goat, Rabbit, Sheep, Canine, Pork and Poultry)
June 20	Ohio State Fair Junior Livestock Entry Deadline- Ohio State Fair
June 22	PAS Show- Schmidthorst Pavilion
June 25	Cloverbud Day Camp- 9:00 AM-4:00 PM
June 25	EMERGENCY QUALITY ASSURANCE- 6 PM-7 PM <u>COST \$20</u>
June 26	Jr. Fairboard Meeting- 7:00 YAB
June 26	Camp Counselor Training- 10 AM- 4 PM
June 28-30	Junior Ohio 4-H Shooting Education Camp- Canter's Cave 4-H Camp
June 29-July 3	Allen County 4-H Camp

July

July 1	ALLEN COUNTY JR. FAIR ENTRY DUE
July 1	Ohio State Fair Dog Poster Entry Deadline
July 2	Deadline for Quality Assurance-No QA will be accepted after this date!
July 3	Ohio State Fair Horse Show Entry Deadline (1:00 PM)
July 4	Extension Office Closed- Independence Day
July 5	Avian Bowl Contest Registration Deadline
July 9	4-H Council Meeting- 6:30 SFB
July 10	Junior Leaders Meeting- 6:30 PM YAB
July 12	Ohio State Fair Livestock Judging Contest Registration Deadline
July 13	Ohio 4-H Rabbit Bowl Contest- 4-H Center Columbus
July 13	Dairy Feeder Weigh In- 8 AM, Fairgrounds
July 14-19	Senior Ohio 4-H Shooting Education Camp- Canter's Cave 4-H Camp
July 15	Corrected Fair Entries Due Back to Office
July 15	4-H Special Interest Judging –2 PM -7 PM Perry Elementary School
July 15-19	Leadership Washington Focus- National 4-H Center
July 17	Allen County Junior Fair King & Queen Interviews
July 22	Jr. Fairboard Work Day- 10:00 AM, Fairgrounds
July 22-26	State 4-H Junior Horse Show
July 23	Poultry Pullorum Testing- 6 PM- 7 PM – Poultry Barn
July 24	Jr. Fairboard Meeting- 7:00 YAB
July 24-August 4	Ohio State Fair

August

August 3	Ohio State Fair Poultry Judging Contest, Buckeye Sports Center
August 3	Ohio State Fair Avian Bowl Contest, Buckeye Sports Center
August 5-9	OMK Camp- Kelley's Island
August 6	Junior Fairboard Work Day- 10:00 AM, Fairgrounds
August 7	Junior Fairboard Work Day- 10:00 AM, Fairgrounds
August 7	Junior Leaders Meeting- 6:30 PM
August 8	Silent Auction Items Due
August 8	Fair Kick-off Dinner
August 8	Superintendent's Meeting- 8:00 YAB
August 9	Junior Fairboard Work Day- 10:00 AM, Fairgrounds
August 9	Teen Leadership Council Applications Due to State 4-H Office
August 10	Livestock Interviews- 9 AM- 12 PM
August 11	Allen County Fair Parade- 2 PM
August 12	County Rabbit Meeting- 6 PM Rabbit Barn
August 13	Booth Decorating- 9 AM- 4PM, YEB
August 14	Cloverbud Show-n-Tell- 3 PM- 6PM, YAB
August 14	Booth Decorating- 12 PM- 9PM, YEB
August 15	Booth Decorating- 9 AM- 9:30 PM, YEB
August 15	4-H Gardening/Woodworking/Welding (County Placing) Judging- 1 PM- 5 PM YAB
August 15	Make-Up Special Interest (Non-Livestock) Judging –1 PM – 5 PM, YAB
August 15	4-H Demonstrations- 5:30 YAB
August 15	4-H Style Review- 6:30 YAB
August 16-24	ALLEN COUNTY FAIR
August 25-26	Scholastic Action Shooting Program- Canter's Cave 4-H Camp
August 28	Jr. Fair Carcass Show- 6:00 PM, Keystone Meats
August 29-31	Extension Office Closed

September

September 2	Extension Office Closed- Labor Day
September 4	Junior Leaders Meeting- 6:30 PM, YAB
September 10	4-H Council Meeting- 6:30 YAB
September 17-19	Farm Science Review- Molly Caren Center, London, Ohio
September 19-22	Ohio 4-H Shooting Sports Invitational Adult Train the Trainer- Canter's Cave
September 25	Jr. Fairboard & Sr. Fairboard Review Dinner/Meeting- 6:00 YAB
September 29- Oct 2	National Dairy Conference- Madison, Wisconsin

October

October 2	Junior Fairboard Meeting- 7:00 YAB
October 6-12	National 4-H Week
October 8	4-H Council Meeting- 6:30 SFB

October 11-13

October 12

October 11-13

October 15

October 25-27

Halloween 4-H Campout- Fairgrounds

Cloverbud Harvest Party- 10:00-12:00, Fairgrounds

4-H Forestry Wildlife Conservation Camp- Canter's Cave

Junior Fair Board Application Deadline

Fall Adult Leadership Workshop- Canter's Cave 4-H Camp

November

November 6

November 10

November 11

November 12

November 20

November 28-29

Allen County Agricultural Society Annual Meeting- 6:30 PM, YAB

Junior Fair Board Interviews

Extension Office Closed- Veteran's Day

4-H Council Meeting- 6:30 SFB

Youth Achievement Awards Banquet- YAB

Extension Office Closed- Thanksgiving

December

December 2

December 7

December 8

December 24-25

December 28

4-H Camp Counselor Application Deadline

Junior Leaders Christmas Party

Junior Fair Board Christmas Party

Extension Office Closed- Christmas

Steer Weigh-In – 8:00 AM Fairgrounds

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WELCOME TO ALLEN COUNTY 4-H!

We would like to welcome you and your family to Allen County 4-H! By belonging to 4-H you are joining over 1,200 other Allen County boys and girls in one of the largest youth organization in the world.

This 4-H Family Handbook has been prepared for the benefit of you and your family. Please read it carefully. If you have any questions or concerns at any time about 4-H, please call our Allen County office. Our address, phone numbers, and e-mail address are listed above.

We hope you have an enjoyable year in 4-H and that you are able to take part in the many 4-H activities planned for your education and enjoyment!

Be sure to check out our 4-H web pages and get the latest and greatest in Allen County 4-H! The web page offers 4-Hers, volunteers, and parents a new way to get information about the 4-H program in Allen County. The web page contains our newsletters, forms, and applications for a variety of activities including Junior Fair Board, Junior Leadership, Camp Counselors, and Junior Fair Entries. The 4-H Handbook and the 2019 Calendar of Events are also posted. The web page can be a valuable tool for everyone! If you have suggestions on how to improve the site, please give us a call. Feedback is always welcome.

<http://allen.osu.edu>

4-H.....What is it All About?

4-H is a voluntary, educational program designed to meet the needs and interest of boys and girls. Membership to the 4-H club program begins when a child is at least age 8 and enrolled in 3rd grade as of January 1 of current year or any youth age 9 and above is eligible for project membership, regardless of grade level. Ohio 4-H membership ends December 31 of the year in which an individual attains the age of 19. Cloverbud membership begins when a child has reached age 5 and is enrolled in kindergarten as of January 1 of current year. Participation and membership are open to all such youth without regard to race, color, national origin, ethnic background, social-economic situation, or place of residence.

The purpose of 4-H is to provide learning experiences and opportunities for boys and girls which will help them grow and develop to the fullest of their potential. Projects, programs, and activities are tools used to help members in this regard. They should be adapted to fit the needs and interest of each person or group of persons. Although competition is a necessary part of 4-H, we must all be careful to remember that the real benefit comes from learning and not winning. Skills learned and friendships made in 4-H will long outlast any ribbons and awards won!

Although it is not mandatory, most 4-H members exhibit their 4-H projects at the Allen County Fair. All 4-H members exhibiting at the fair must abide by all rules established by the Allen County Agricultural Society. **While we try to inform all our 4-H members about county fair rules, we cannot adequately cover all rules and regulations of the Allen County Fair Book in this handbook. It is the responsibility of members to obtain a copy of the Allen County Fair Book when it is published in early spring to become better informed, the Fair Book is also available at allencofair.com.



Thinking about what to do for your 4-H project? Ohio 4-H Project Central is an easy way for members to preview Ohio 4-H project books and resources. Take a closer look at a book, find out what others have to say, and share your experiences! Check it out at www.ohio4h.org/projectcentral

4-H Membership

Project Completion:

1. Members must meet all requirements set forth by their club(s) as explained in individual project guidelines.
2. Project record books must be completed as outline in project guidelines and signed upon completion by the 4-H Advisor.
3. Members must complete project judging.
4. Members must complete Quality Assurance by July 2, 2019 if applicable.
5. Members must complete Horse Safety and Ethics by June 1, 2019 if applicable.

Junior Fair Participation – Members need to be in good standing with Allen County 4-H and meet all 4-H club and county requirements as detailed in the current year's project guidelines in order to be eligible to participate in the Junior Fair portion of the Allen County Fair.

Project Completion Details

Review the *Ohio 4-H Family Guide* for a better understanding of available 4-H projects and select a project after considering interests, background and resources available. Once a project is selected, begin by reading the front section of the book for step-by-step instructions for completing the project. Speak with a club advisor and project helpers to provide guidance with a project. Have fun!

County owned educational materials are available for check out by club advisors based on availability from the Extension Office. Clubs will be held responsible for any damage to or missing parts of these items.

Attend project area specific clinics and events for information and instruction if available.

Attend Special Interest and/or Livestock Project Judging to complete project at the county level and be eligible for County and State Fair participation. Be sure to review the County calendar and newsletter for times and locations.

- ✓ Bring a completed project/record book with the advisor's signature.
- ✓ Check-in and wait for your turn to be judged. Review your project book, bring a book to read or plan to be there with a friend to spend some time talking about your 4-H experiences while waiting your turn.
- ✓ Participate in a one-on-one interview with a judge to answer questions about your 4-H and project experience.
- ✓ Animal projects: Participate in three to four skill stations. To prepare, use your project book, Resource Handbooks, Skillathon Kits and Quality Assurance training experiences.
- ✓ General Projects: Bring items made, created, produced, grown, or designed and/or educational display as required for your specific project(s). See Allen County Fair Jr. Fair Premium Book for details.

For Fair

- Participate in booth setup before fair and tear down after the fair if your club has its own booth.
- The Senior Fair Board provides a photo fair pass to 4-H members in good standing. Members participating in Fair will receive one pass good for each day of the fair. Check the Jr. Fair Premium book for office times and availability.
- Every 4-H member must make a Fair entry for each project that will be exhibited at the Allen County Fair. Entries must be entered online by July 1st at **www.allencofair.com**
- Help with the planning and work needed for your club to have a great fair.
- Bring 4-H projects required by exhibition times to the Fair. Review the Junior Fair General Rules and Department Rules in the Fair book annually.
- Care for your animal projects throughout fair week. Keep stalls and animals clean, fed, watered, and presentable to the public at all times.
- Check with the barn superintendents to see if you have barn duty during the fair. Lists are usually posted if applicable.
- Show good sportsmanship before, during and after the fair.
- If your club does not have a booth, you must display projects in the Allen County Booth. County booth projects drop off times at the Junior Fair Office starting Monday August 12th thru Thursday August 15th. No projects will be accepted after 10:00 pm Thursday.

4-H Costs and Fees

Club Fees – Some clubs charge per member fee and/or family fee based on their clubs activities. The amount is based on what the club covers with the fee. Club fees may be used towards refreshments, project book cost, booth decorations, club t-shirts, supplemental insurance, etc. Please ask your club advisor about their club fee structure. Many clubs also participate in fundraising opportunities to off-set these costs.

Project Books – Most project books cost \$6 - \$10. Some projects require an additional Resource Handbook (\$12-\$21) that is purchased once by the family and used for all the projects within an area by all members in the family. Check with your 4-H advisor for Project Book costs or look at the *Ohio 4 -H Family Guide* at

<http://allen.osu.edu> or www.ohio4h.org

Project Items – Every project has some cost beyond the 4-H book. For some projects, this may be supplies and materials that you already have at home. For other projects, it may be required to invest in an animal and supplies for its care, specialized equipment and/or other items. Please keep this in mind when selecting projects.

Fair – If members plan to participate in the Allen County Junior Fair, there may be some additional costs associated with their experience.

- Some animal projects will need to be tagged, Vet checked, and/or have Scrapie Tag. Review the Allen County Fair Jr. Fair Premium Book for dates and details.
- Fair passes for parents – check Fair website for current prices at www.allencofair.com
- Fair Entries. All Jr. Fair and/or Open Class Entry info is found in the Fair Premium book available from your club advisor and found online at www.allencofair.com

What is Expected of 4-H Parents?

1. Help youth attend club meetings, activities, and events. Notify the club advisor if the child can't attend a meeting/activity. Transport your child to all club meetings and activities. Youth must attend a minimum number of their club meetings in order to participate in fair with that club.
2. Participate in club and/or county fundraising events and pay the club dues.
3. Attend special events planned by the 4-H club and/or County 4-H program.
4. Encourage and guide your youth's project work. Don't do their work.
5. Read the 4-H newsletter, mailings, project requirements, Junior Fair rules and other information. Use the county 4-H website to print off forms, find projects and fair requirements and find answers to questions.
6. Encourage youth to participate in county project judging, clinics/workshops, 4-H camp(s), public speaking opportunities, Jr. Fair events and much more.
7. Encourage youth to keep up-to-date records and complete projects.
(<https://ohio4h.org/awardsandscholarships>)
8. Model a positive attitude, good sportsmanship, respect and cooperation.
9. Assist with 4-H club activities in areas of interest and expertise...teach a project skill, help with a community service project, plan a field trip, assist with fundraising, etc.
10. Help out the club...host a meeting, provide refreshments, and sponsor a county award.
11. Support the club by cooperating with club advisors and exhibiting a positive attitude toward youth's personal and club 4-H goals.
12. Support youth at county events and programs including the County Fair and provide supervision at such events.

What is Expected of 4-H Volunteers?

1. Advance notice of 4-H club meetings and/or a printed schedule of club meetings for the year.
2. Provide the following information at one of the first meetings:
 - 4-H Family Guide
 - Allen County Handbook
 - 4-H club attendance expectations/Code of Conduct.
 - Project selections help and information on project guidelines.
3. Provide at all meetings:
 - Review the 4-H Calendar, 4-H Newsletter or Recent Mailings from the 4-H Office.
 - Reminders of upcoming deadlines, requirements, etc.
 - What's coming up in the Club/County and how to get involved.
4. Help in selecting, ordering, and receiving 4-H Project Books.
5. Provide hands-on and mind-on learning experiences for the 4-H youth through project work, demonstrations, practice project judging, livestock quality assurance and/or field trips/tours, etc.
6. Provide the opportunity for youth to give back to the community through at least one community service project...flower gardens at the fairgrounds, adopt a family, picking up trash, supporting the 4-H Silent Auction, etc.
7. Provide the opportunity for youth to build leadership skills through serving as a club officer, on a committee, leading the American or 4-H pledges, participating in a business meeting, etc.
8. Provide the opportunity for youth to have FUN with friends (new and old) through recreational, social, educational and/or competitive activities.
9. Provide a safe and welcoming environment for youth to learn and grow through the 4-H program and work together to "Make the Best Better".

4-H Lingo

- **Achievement Awards.** 4-H members, age 14-18 as of January 1st, may apply for one of twenty State Achievement Project Awards as well as the opportunity to serve on State Junior Fair Board and/or attend a variety of Stand and National Conferences.
- **Camp.** Members enjoy outdoor fun and adventure while learning and making new friends at 4-H Camp. Camping opportunities are available for Cloverbuds (day camp only), members and teens with some focused in a particular project area.
- **Cloverbuds.** 4-H members age 5 and in Kindergarten through 2nd grade or until they reach the age and grade requirements for 4-H project membership. Cloverbuds may not enroll in competitive 4-H Projects. 4-H Cloverbuds may create a project to be judged prior to fair about their 4-H experience or topic of choice. The project is then displayed in the Youth Activities Building during the fair.
- **Cloverbud Show-N-Tell.** Show and Tell is basically a mock judging for your Cloverbud. We want to get them as used to the judging process as much as we can before they become “big” 4-H kids! This year we will be having the kids judged by some of the Jr. Fair Royalty. They will have a “score” sheet just like the older kids have for their judging. They will be asked the 4-H pledge, 4-H Colors, the 4-H motto and to tell a little bit about their project.
- **County Placings.** County placings will be posted 2 weeks before the start of the Allen County Fair. This list included the 1st placing thru outstanding placings. These are different from the State Fair Delegates and Alternates.
- **DUNF – Drug Use Notification Form.** This form indicates your project animal has met all drug withdrawal periods at time of exhibition. Ohio Department of Agriculture requires this form for exhibition of market beef, market hogs, market lambs, market goats, meat chickens, lactating dairy goats or dairy cows. One per animal/pen of chickens. These forms are available at time of check-in and must be completed at time of weigh in and completed correctly for the animal to show.
- **Family Guide.** Resource that lists all the 200+ 4-H projects including a brief description, age guidelines, skill level and State Fair eligibility.
- **Junior Fair Premium Book.** Resource with all the rules and guidelines for participating in the Allen County Fair. This resource is useful when making online fair entries. This book is currently provided to all families by a generous donation by Potash but in the future will only be available online at allencofair.com.
- **Livestock Auction Check.** Paid by the Allen County Fair for animals sold through the Jr. Fair Livestock Sale. Checks will be available after the buyer has paid. All exhibitors must turn in a thank you card for each buyer to the Jr. Fair Office after the auction. The cards should be in an unsealed, addressed and stamped envelope. The administration office will need the exhibitors SS# if the premium money is over \$600.
- **Livestock Ownership.** All animals must be owned and cared for by the exhibitor as of June 1st, unless otherwise stated in the department rules of the Jr. Fair Premium Book.
- **Member Opportunities.** Teens may serve as leaders within a club as officers and peer mentors and at the county level as members of the Jr. Fairboard, Camp Counselors, Tech Wizards and Jr. Leaders.
- **PAS.** Horse project members may choose to participate in Performance Against Standards (PAS) Show(s) to qualify to participate in the State Fair Horse Show. A member may show in a maximum of four classes and must qualify in two classes to show at the State Fair. Members that qualify in more than two classes must select the two classes they intend to show in at the State Fair.
- **Photo ID.** All 4-H youth who participate in the Allen County Fair will receive a new photo ID each year. The ID must be presented each time the exhibitors enters the gate at the fair, it is needed to pick up your fair premium voucher from the Jr. Fair Office, to cash our premium voucher at the premium window at the Administration Window, and to pick up your Livestock Auction Check after the fair.

- **Project.** A 4-H project is made up of hands-on activities, organized activities such as demonstrations and workshops and leadership/citizenship activities.
- **Project Judging.** Evaluation of a project member's knowledge through interview with a judge, review of project book records and exhibit of project item and/or educational display.
- **Quality Assurance – Assuring Quality Care for Animals.** Annual program required for members exhibiting market and lactating project animals by the Ohio Department of Agriculture. Members can meet this requirement by attending the quality assurance program focusing on the 10 Good Production Practices. Youth, age 15 to 18 may test out of QA attendance.
- **Online or Fair Entry.** An online entry made by the exhibitor for every project they wish to exhibit at the Allen County Fair. The entries must be made before July 1st of the current year. Entries must be completed at the Allen County Fair Website under the Jr. Fair section. Please refer to the Allen Co. Fair Premium book for department and class selection.
- **Senior Fair Board (Allen County Ag. Society).** Manages the Allen County Fair.
- **State Fair Delegates and Alternates.** Members selected to represent the county at the Ohio State Fair for a given project or project area. The list will be posted on the county 4-H website after judging. Please remember that this doesn't necessarily mean that you placed at the County Fair. State Fair has different class ages and number of delegates than the Allen County Fair.
- **Weigh-In and Tagging Day.** Important event for selected Market Animals projects in December/January, June and July.
- **4-H Volunteer or Club Advisor.** Dedicated, enthusiastic, caring adults that have completed a selection, screening and orientation process by OSU Extension. The current Ohio 4-H Volunteer Selection includes a written application, reference checks, BCI background check, interview with Extension Educator and volunteer orientation.

Resources and Information

Club Advisors. Start with your local club advisor(s) first. Make sure you have a phone number and/or email address to communicate with them regularly. Your project leader is your primary resource.

County Publications. Visit our website and click on 4-H Youth Development for forms and information, newsletters and much more. Visit our Facebook page: Allen County OSU Extension and 4-H.

Committee Members and Meetings. 4-H Council meetings are listed in the County 4-H Calendar and the members are listed below.

Ohio 4-H. www.ohio4h.org

- Visit for the latest information about Ohio 4-H programs, events, activities, policies, etc.

Ohio State Fair. www.ohiostatefair.com

- Fair book and entry forms
- Fair Schedule for all Ohio State Fair Events
- Fair Results from 4-H and Open Class Shows
- State Fair Selection Results will be posted on the County website by close of business July 16, 2019.

4-H Advisor Information

Allen County 4-H Council – Members of the 4-H Council serve to give suggestions and evaluate the Allen County 4-H Program. If you have questions or suggestions for improving the county program, feel free to contact one of these individuals.

District 1: (Amanda, Marion, Spencer Townships)	District 4: (Auglaize, Jackson, Richland Townships)
John Core 2019	Jan Althaus 2019
Ashley Youngpeter 2020	Kelli Cosart 2020
Dist. 2: (America, Shawnee, Sugarcreek Townships)	District 5: (City & Out of County)
Tom Guy 2019	Amanda Richard 2019
Shelli Craig 2020	Elizabeth John 2020
District 3: (Bath, Monroe, Perry Townships)	At Large:
Kim Edgington 2019	Lynelle Dues 2019
John Junkins 2020	Tony Briggs 2020
	Sarah Lehman 2020

The election of new council members will take place at the 4-H Annual Advisor Recognition and Kick-Off Dinner. Contact Kelly for more information about 4-H Council. If you are interested in running for a position on 4-H Council, please let Kelly know.

4-H Annual Advisor Recognition and Kick-Off Dinner - Each advisor is invited to attend the 4-H Annual Advisor Recognition and Kick-Off Dinner. Date, place, and program are determined by the 4-H Extension Office. Information on the coming 4-H year will be distributed at this Kick-off, along with any updates for that year. Each advisor completing 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45 & over will receive a gift of recognition. All advisors will also be invited to attend an Ohio Volunteer Conference including a luncheon to recognize advisors completing 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45 & over years of service. This will be held in Columbus.

4-H Youth Information

4-H Camp Counselors- Youth that are at least current freshman in high school can apply to be a camp counselor. Individuals need to be able to display leadership abilities, cooperate in a group, and assist in planning the camp program. Due to the planning involved, counselors must be committed to attending all meetings. (Counselors selected will be responsible for paying a portion of the camp fee.) See application for more information.

Junior Fair Board- Individuals will work cooperatively with fellow Junior Fair Board members in developing and implementing a quality Junior Fair. All members will receive an opportunity to develop additional leadership skills while working under the direction of the Junior Fair Board Advisors and Senior Fair Board members. Approximately 100 hours that will include regular meetings, work days, Fair set-up and tear-down, Fair week and evaluation of the Junior Fair. See application for more information.

Junior Leaders Member- This is a county-wide 4-H youth organization whose basic goal is to develop leadership and provide community service. These youths are in turn expected to provide assistance to advisors and younger members in their local club. Members must be in age 12-15 and have successfully completed one year of 4-H Club work in order to join Junior Leaders. See application for more information.

Allen County 4-H Project Judging Schedule

Please note that this is the 2019 4-H Project Judging Schedule. Project enrollment could force us to make minor changes in which days projects are judged. All 4-H Members and Advisors will be notified of these changes and will have a complete judging schedule sent with the newsletter in May. Please be sure to check with your club advisor before coming to judging.

Judging	Date	Projects to be Judge	Comments
Shooting Sport Judging	Monday, July 15 th Time: 2- 7 pm	All Shooting Sports Projects	Judging will be scheduled by advisors.
Special Interest Judging	Monday, July 15 th Time: 2-7 pm	All non-livestock projects.	Judging will be scheduled by project areas.
Gardening, Welding & Woodworking State Fair Judging	Monday, July 15 th Time: 2-7 pm	Gardening, Welding & Woodworking Projects wanting to attend State Fair.	Judging will be schedule by project areas.
Livestock Interviews	Saturday, August 10 th Time: 9 am- 11:30m	Livestock projects only!	Exhibitors of livestock projects must receive a passing grade in order to exhibit at fair.
Cloverbud Show-n-Tell	Wednesday, August 14 th Time: 3-6 pm	All Cloverbud projects	Arrive anytime between 3:00 pm- 6:00 pm
Gardening Judging (County Placing)	Thursday, August 15 th Time: 1-5 pm	Gardening	Judging will be scheduled by project areas.
Woodworking & Welding Judging (County Placing)	Thursday, August 15 th Time: 1-5 pm	Woodworking & Welding	Judging will be scheduled by project areas.
Make-up Special Interest Judging	Thursday, August 15 th Time: 1-5 pm	All non-livestock projects.	You will have to call the Jr. Fair Office to schedule a time for your judging.

This year **ALL** 4-H members with Special Interest (Non-Livestock) projects are being encouraged to make the Special Interest Judging on July 15th. We will be offering a make-up judging for those 4-Her's that have other commitments on July 15th, the make-up judging will be held August 15th. You will have to call the Jr. Fair Office to schedule a time for your judging. If attending Make-up judging you will receive a **GRADE** only, you are **not** eligible for county placing or outstanding projects.