Lawrence County 4-H Volunteer & Member Guidebook

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Introduction to Lawrence County 4-H

- 4-H is a non-formal educational, youth development program. Eligibility for 4-H membership begins when a child is age 5 <u>and</u> is enrolled in kindergarten as of January 1 of the current year (Cloverbuds). Project membership to the 4-H club program begins when a child is at least 8 <u>and</u> enrolled in 3rd grade; **or 9 years of age** as of January 1 of the current year. Ohio 4-H membership ends December 31 of the year in which an individual attains the age of 19. Membership begins when an eligible individual is enrolled in a club or group that is under the direction of a trained adult who has completed the OSUE volunteer selection process and within the scope of Ohio State University Extension and signs off by deadline.
- 4-H members and program participants learn valuable lessons in leadership, communication and collaboration while increasing their knowledge related to a variety of topics.
- Youth can participate in 4-H through clubs, camps, school programs and short-term experiences.

The 4-H Motto

"To Make the Best Better."

The 4-H Motto refers to each member. It means that each member will do the "Best" that he/she possibly can in whatever is attempted. The member will then strive to improve the next time so his or her initial "Best" becomes "Better." The 4-H motto encourages members to stretch their abilities and capacities to reach greater achievement within their own potential.

The 4-H Emblem

The 4-H emblem is a highly valued mark within our country's history. As such it was granted a unique status; it is in a category like the Presidential Seal and the Olympic emblem. It is protected by the federal government and is under the responsibility and stewardship of the Secretary of Agriculture. The
 "18 USC 707" marking that appears
 along the right lower left is coding
 that protects the use of the clover.

The 4-H Pledge

"I pledge my Head to clearer thinking, my Heart to greater loyalty, my Hands to larger service, and my Health to better living, for my club, my community, my country, and my world."

The 4-H Colors

Green and White
Green is nature's most common color and represents youth, life and growth.
White symbolizes purity and high ideals.

4-H Community Club Guidelines

Chartered 4-H Club Requirements

To be a charted Ohio 4-H Club, a group must:
* Ensure all adult volunteers have been approved through the Ohio State 4-H Volunteer Screening process.
* Have at least 5 members from 3 different families.
* Have a name that has been approved by OSU Extension, Lawrence County 4-H.
* Conduct a minimum of six regular meetings per year, between Nov 1 and July 1 of current 4-H year. These 6 meetings do not include weigh-in, clinics, QA, workshops, or other county led events. Unless an advisor holds a short business meeting and takes attendance at the event. Advisors can set their own meeting attendance requirements provided they meet the minimum requirement.
* Have a current constitution, using the Ohio 4-H template, which guides club decisions. By-laws are optional. The constitution and any by-laws are subject to annual review and approval by members.
* Be youth directed, annually electing officers and engaging members in decision making regarding club programs and activities.
* Provide a welcome and safe environment for all club members.
* Plan a series of experiential learning experiences for club members.
* Agree to follow all national, state, and Lawrence County 4-H policies and procedures.
* Agree to follow the national and state guidelines for use of the 4-H name and emblem.
* Agree to follow national, state, and Lawrence County 4-H guidelines for fundraising.

Any club failing to comply with one or more of the 4-H charter requirements may lose their charter, their authority to operate as a 4-H Club, authorization for members and advisors to participate in fair exhibition, etc.

New 4-H Clubs must follow all guidance and requirements established in the Lawrence County 4-H Forming a New Club Guide. The Ohio 4-H Volunteer Handbook and the club advisor section found on our county website (lawrence.osu.edu) provides detailed club policies and requirements. All documents are given at New Volunteer Orientation and hard copies are available upon request.

Ohio 4-H Non-Discrimination Policy

4-H is part of the Ohio State University Extension Program and maintains a strict nondiscrimination policy. Club advisors may limit the number of youth, project areas, and programs offered (i.e. traditional members and/or cloverbuds). However, they cannot pick and choose members, based upon personal preference. If they are limiting their club membership, they must take members on a first come first enrolled basis. If a member contacts a club, and their membership is full, or the advisor does not offer the project the member is interested in, the advisor should refer them to the Extension Office. The Extension Office will then locate an appropriate club for the prospective member in their area.

Accommodations for Youth With Special Needs

4-H welcomes and encourages youth with special needs to participate and will make reasonable accommodations. The Winning 4-H Plan enables youth to tailor the 4-H project experience to their needs and helps maintain a positive relationship between the youth's family, 4-H volunteers, and the county 4-H professional. Youth must submit a Winning 4-H Plan Request Form to the Extension Office on an as need basis, prior to project judging/exhibition.
For a fillable plan to email to fraley.171@osu.edu click Winning 4-H Plan Reqest form

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Across County Lines Policy

Youth are expected to affiliate with the 4-H program in their county of residence. However, in some circumstances, it is appropriate for a youth to participate in a county other than their county of residence. This can be done with the approval of the 4-H professionals in both the county of residence and the county of request. Once granted, the permission for membership across county lines shall be permanent and stable for the duration of the youth's 4-H membership. If the youth's circumstances change (e.g., residence, school, or custody), the across county lines membership will be reevaluated. This privilege is extended only to those youth who maintain membership in good standing. To apply for Across County Lines Membership, review guidelines and procedures available on the form & complete the document: Across County Membership Form

Alcohol, Tobacco, and Illegal Drug Policy

- Possession or use of alcohol or illegal drugs at 4-H sponsored activities is prohibited.
- Possession of tobacco products and use by 4-H youth participants is prohibited at all 4-H sponsored activities.
- Tobacco use by adults during 4-H sponsored events is discouraged and should only be done in designated areas and not in view of youth participants.

Volunteer Guidelines

Any adult who works directly with 4-H youth two or more times during the year is considered a 4-H volunteer. No volunteer can be a youth member of any club and must be at least 18 years of age by January 1 of the current year. Adults who desire to volunteer their time, energy, and talents to Ohio State University Extension and the Lawrence County 4-H program must successfully complete the Volunteer Selection Process. Instructions found at http://lawrence.osu.edu/<front>/become-lawrence-county-4-h-volunteer

All new applications and the screening selection process is due by February 28 of the year to begin volunteer service. Volunteers must re-enroll by March 15 each year.

- 4-H club volunteers must complete Ohio 4-H Competency Trainings and Protecting Our Minors Training each year.
- 4-H club volunteers must annually sign and agree to abide by the Standards of Behavior.
- Clubs should have at least two advisors and are encouraged to have one advisor for every 10 project members and every 6 Cloverbud members.
- 4-H club volunteers are required to self-disclose criminal convictions to the county 4-H Educator within three business days of the conviction.
- Volunteers who have a break in volunteer service will be required to complete the Volunteer Selection Process prior to working with 4-H members in the future.
- Ohio State University Policy 1.50 requires all volunteers to complete a fingerprint rescreening process every four years.
- Organizational Club Leaders are required to complete the Financial Summary and Club Charter Checklist annually, due January 31 of each year.

4-H Community Club Volunteer & Member Guidelines

4-H Member & Cloverbud Guidelines

Ohio 4-H Membership is based on a child's age AND grade as of January 1of the current calendar year. Eligibility for Cloverbud participation begins when a child is age 5 and enrolled in kindergarten. Eligibility for participation in 4-H projects and competitive events begins when a child is age 8 and in third grade. Any youth age 9 or above is eligible for project membership, regardless of grade age. Membership requires enrollment in an authorized Ohio 4-H club or group under the direction of an OSU Extension professional or an approved adult volunteer. A youth's 4-H eligibility ends December 31 the year they turn age 19. Cloverbuds are not eligible for any competitive 4-H events or activities such as participation in projects or residential camps.

To be a member in good standing; eligible to receive fair pass & compete at the county and state fair:
- Members must complete at least one project in order to receive credit for the year in 4-H. Projects must be identified by March 15th, corrections accepted until March 31, through their 4honline enrollment to be eligible for exhibition.
- Members must attend 5 4-H meetings November 1 through July 1 to participate in exhibition. Attendance at more meetings is encouraged and may be required by individual club by-laws.
- Members must follow the Ohio 4-H Code of Conduct as agreed to during enrollment.
- Members are required to complete all project specific expectations by specified deadlines (i.e.: quality assurance, skillathon, project forms, etc.) to be eligible for fair exhibition.

4-H Enrollment Instructions

All 4-H members and volunteer enrollments must be entered into the 4-H Online enrollment system (oh.4honline.com). Enrollments can be entered beginning November 1. Information on how to enroll can be found on at:
https://lawrence.osu.edu/<front>/become-lawrence-county-4-h-member

Paper enrollments will not be accepted and are not required. Youth and their parents should complete member enrollments, as they require electronic signatures providing legal consent for participation and serve as the official project enrollment record for the child. Volunteers must also enroll each year.

Enrollments must be entered by the March 15 enrollment deadline and include club and project enrollment in order to participate in judging and exhibit at the county fair. Changes to enrollment can be made by calling the Extension Office between March 16 – March 31.

Families are strongly encouraged to submit enrollments well before the deadline in case there are issues in completing the process.

Volunteer & Member Deadlines

Volunteers and members are responsible for meeting all deadlines and requirements for participation. Failure to meet a deadline or requirement may result in the status of the volunteer/member changing to not in good standing or ineligibility for Junior Fair participation and other opportunities. OSU Extension is not responsible for missed deadlines. All information is published in advance. If you are uncertain of a deadline or requirements, contact the Extension Office for more information.

4-H Club Fair Opportunities

4-H Clubs have the option to display their club appropriately through multiple avenues at the Fair. This is a great way to showcase 4-H club membership, community service events, and other great activities 4-H clubs, volunteers, and members participate in throughout the year. The following categories are judged with awards given to the top 3 places. In order to be judged, displays must be registered with the Extension Office by July 1.
Registration can be found at http://go.osu.edu/lawcofairclubparticipation

All displays must be set up by designated time on the Fair schedule and removed by 10:00pm, the last Saturday of the Fair.

Club Booths

Clubs will be given a 3ft table space to create and display their membership, community service, and club activities, etc. using a tri-fold/poster display. Clubs may use from the ground up in the 3 ft space (½ table) for the display. Clubs are not limited to the tabletop. Cloverbud's must be displayed within the club space or in the Cloverbud Corner area. Club areas are preassigned.

Parade

Clubs may participate by entering as a walking group, a truck, or a truck with trailer.

Picnic Tables

Picnic tables should be 6 ft and should be decorated in the current theme. Tables should be left in the 4-H building. Table must be redecorated yearly to be judged.

Trash Cans

Trash cans should be at least 30 gallon or larger and should be decorated to the current year's theme. Trashcans should be left in the 4-H building until after judging.

Flowerpots

Flowerpots can be any shape and size and must be decorated to the current year's theme. Flowerpots are to be left in/around the 4-H building until after they are judged. It is the clubs responsibility to water the flower throughout fair week.

Welcome Beautification Display

Club welcome displays should welcome fairgoers to the Lawrence County Fair.

Judging Criteria

Trash Can/Bench/Picnic Table/Flowerpot/ Welcome Beautification/Parade

Club Name Visible
Originality
Relationship to 4-H
General Overall Eye Appeal

Club Booths
General Appearance: club name visible, club advisor names visible, evidence of membership, 4-H pledge and motto, American and 4-H flag visible, attracts and holds interest, neat, well arranged, evidence of community service, theme fits with general appearance, originality, represents the ideals of 4-H, presents a positive image of 4-H

Sample Scoresheet

4-H Project Information

Projects are the teaching tools of 4-H. Through hands-on project work, members gain new knowledge and develop new skills. Project work encourages members to do something new, reflect on what they've learned from the experience, and apply what they've learned to other aspects of their daily lives. Projects provide members with opportunities to explore a variety of hobbies and career opportunities, showcase their accomplishments, and receive feedback on their work. Record keeping is an important part of project work.

Ordering 4-H Project Books

Projects are described in detail in the [Ohio 4-H Family Guide.](#) Project Book Ordering Options:
1. OSU Extension, Lawrence County stocks project books at a discounted price. Contact our office to check availability, we accept cash, card, or check.
2. Club advisors may place a bulk book order with our office; tax-exempt when paying with a club check and blanket exemption form on file.
3. Individual on-line ordering available at https://extensionpubs.osu.edu

Project Judging Completion & Requirements

4-H members must be in good standing, outlined in 4-H member and cloverbud requirements on pg. 6 to be eligible for project judging and fair exhibition.

LIVESTOCK PROJECTS	GENERAL PROJECTS

1. Complete project book, Quality Assurance Training, and Skillathon yearly.
   • [Quality Assurance](#): May 1 deadline Visit lawrence.osu.edu for dates and options.
 	
   • Skillathon
 	
2. Follow and meet all expectations and requirements outlined in the Junior Fair Livestock Exhibition Rules.
 	
3. Exhibit animal in Quality and Showmanship. Please see Lawrence County Fair Schedule for dates.
 	
4. Upon completion of each of the above, members are eligible for premiums and awards. Market Livestock exhibitors are also eligible to sale one project animal in the Lawrence County Fair Sale.
	1. Complete project book and educational display or other requirements outlined in the project requirement descriptions.
	
	2. Register for a judging timeslot by June 15th.
	
	3. Attend Project Judging:
	   • Pre-Fair: Clothing, Dog, Food, and Horse Projects
	   • County Fair Week
	      • Shooting Sports
	      • Animal Science, Natural Resources, STEM
	      • Creative Arts & Leisure, Healthy Living, Home Living, Leadership & Citizenship, Money Management, & Self-Determined
	
	3. Exhibit display at the County Fair.
	
	4. Upon completion of each of the above, members are eligible for premiums and/or awards.

General 4-H Project Information

Selecting A 4-H Project

The Ohio 4-H Family Guide provides project details; including a project description, experience level needed, and state fair eligibility. Each project book will also outline the requirements needed to complete the project. Most books are available for preview at the Lawrence County Extension Office

or at www.projectcentral.ohio4h.org. If interested in competing at the state fair, it is important to become familiar with the state fair guidelines and project requirements prior to completing the project, the State Fair 4-H Non-Livestock Guidebook can be found at http://ohio4h.org/nonlivestockguidebook

Preparing for General 4-H Project Judging

To assist 4-H members in preparing for their project judging:

- Members should be aware of and understand what is expected to bring to judging. Requirements are listed within each project book or within the county guidelines. Some books are multi-year projects. Members are only required to complete activities for one year. Members should be able to discuss/answer questions about the information in the project book as well as the items brought to judging. An educational display will depend on the project but may include items such as a poster depicting an activity from the project, scrapbook or outfit made by the youth. Project demonstrations are encouraged in club meetings to help members prepare for their interview.
- Have experienced club members discuss the process of judging and the interview process with other 4-H members and their parents, prior to judging.
- Members appearance should be neat and clean; they should dress as they would for a job interview or special presentation at school.
- Members are required to be present at scheduled time of judging.
- Members should follow their 4-H project book for project completion requirements.

General 4-H Project Educational Display

Members must have their 4-H project on display after their project judging in the space provided in the 4-H building with their name, age, and club name. For project displays there will be tables available, ½ size poster project displays will be hung on the wall.

General 4-H Project Award Selection

Judges will evaluate participants on the following: Quality of Oral Presentation, Overall Appearance of Display, Quality of Display, Project Book Analysis (project book completion and records).

Projects will be awarded 1st – 3rd place. Projects may be divided into divisions by age and/or experience based on number of exhibitors and committees' discretion. All first-place projects will be automatically entered into the Overall Award for each Project Area selected by project judges. Overall Winners will be announced during the 4-H Showcase.

General 4-H Project Silent Auction

First place projects, from current 4-H year, with the ability to create a handmade object as part of their educational experience are eligible to enter the product into the Silent Auction. Only projects created by the exhibitor will be eligible for the silent auction. Any food item must be baked. All items entering the silent auction must be registered by designated time. Sale profits will be distributed immediately following the buyer's payment in full to the Lawrence County 4-H Committee. Those eligible to participate in the silent auction will receive more information after placing 1st in project judging.

Animal Sciences

The Animal Sciences category is unique as it includes projects such as Companion Animals, Livestock, Llamas & Alpacas and Veterinarian Science.

All Companion Animals, Veterinarian Science, Llama and Alpaca projects are judged on **Animal Sciences Day** at General 4-H Project Judging during the county fair. Exhibiters will bring their completed project book and educational display of their choice; no larger than a ½ sized poster board or something they can handle on their own. No live animals are allowed. All Dog, Horse, and Livestock Projects follow requirements outlined by their project area:

Dog Projects
Lawrence County 4-H Dog exhibitors interested in the Dog Obedience Project are offered a unique educational experience. Lawrence County 4-H Volunteer, Leslie Milleson, offers a 10-week dog obedience course to all exhibitors. Members must complete all training hours to be judged.

- 201D – You and Your Dog: Bring completed project book and an educational display, along with dog. Judged pre-fair during the dog obedience judging. MUST complete Permission to participate, Project ID Form and Vaccination Certificate (Dog Resources | Ohio 4-H Youth Development (ohio4h.org))
- 201O – Dog Obedience: Must complete dog obedience classes in addition to community club meetings. Judged pre-fair during the dog obedience judging. MUST complete Permission to participate, Project ID Form and Vaccination Certificate (Dog Resources | Ohio 4-H Youth Development (ohio4h.org))
- 201 Showmanship, Performance, Working Dog & Dog Achievement Program are not currently exhibited or judged at the Lawrence County 4-H level.

*The All About Dogs project is judged as part of the General 4-H Project Animal Science Day judging during the county fair.

Horse
4-H members can complete any horse projects and have their project book judged during Animal Science Day at the Fair –or- if exhibiting a horse; members may choose to opt out of Project Judging and participate in Skillathon which will include a book check. Exhibition of the horse is not required.

To participate in Lawrence County 4-H Horse exhibitions and Ohio 4-H PAS Shows members must complete the permission to participate, the Project ID form, and the EquiStep educational course each year. Horse projects are exhibited outside of the county fair. Shows and clinics are determined by the Livestock/Horse Committee. All 1st year Horse Members must complete the required reading 191R Horses, Safety, and You and follow all 179R Uniform Rules for 4-H Horse Shows. In addition, the Lawrence County 4-H Horse Rules can be found at: 4-H Project Forms | Lawrence (osu.edu)

Livestock
All Livestock including Market & Breeding being exhibited at the county fair; Visit http://go.osu.edu/lawcojrfairrules. Any member completing a livestock animal project will take part in the 4-H Livestock Skillathon in place of Animal Science Project Judging Day. There will be a project book component as part of the 4-H Livestock Skillathon. Only those livestock projects listed within the Junior Fair Rules are eligible for exhibition, any others will be 4-H Livestock Skillathon only.   LIVESTOCK PROJECT FACT SHEETS AVAILABLE HERE

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Clothing & Textile Science projects are judged pre-fair. Members must bring their completed 4-H project book and exhibit the clothing/textile piece outlined in the project book guidelines. 4-H members who take more than one clothing project must complete separate learning experiences related to each, including creating a separate, complete, total look outfit for each clothing project. Repeating members, should attempt new challenges each year.

Clothing & Textile Projects are eligible for an Overall Winner Award which is a compiled score of project judging and skillathon, bonus points are awarded for attendance at the Style Show. Skillathon is available at Project Judging. First place projects in this area are eligible for the Silent Auction.

Clothing and Textile Science Projects Educational Displays should be brought on a hanger; exhibitors may be asked to model their product upon request. Educational Displays for Clothing & Textile Science should consist of the following:

- Terrific Tops: The top you constructed according to project book guidelines.

- Clothing for Middle School: The garment you constructed, garment with sleeves or a skirt or pants plus a top, according to project book guidelines.

- Creative Costumes: The costume you constructed according to project book guidelines.

- Sundress & Jumpers: The sundress or jumper you constructed according to project book guidelines.

- Shopping Savvy: Total outfit assembled according to the information in your project to convey the image you wish to project to the judges, you may also bring completed poster, pages, or visuals to show completed activities.

- Dress-Up Outfit – Formal Wear: The dress up garment you constructed for formal wear according to project book guidelines.

- Accessories for Teens: The accessory you made with the outfit it was designed for according to project book guidelines.

- Sew for Others: The outfit you made for someone else. It is desired, but not required, that the "other" is present to model the outfit you made for them according to project guidelines.

- Dress-Up Outfit – Day Wear: The dress-up garment you constructed for day wear according to project guidelines.

- Sew Fun: The garment you made using an "easy" or "beginner" pattern (skirt, shorts, pants, or capris with a full elastic waistline) according to project guidelines.

- Looks Great for Less: The "total look" outfit you put together as inexpensively as possible. The totally look includes clothing, accessories, jewelry, shoes, etc. It is acceptable to use an item or two from those you already own but remember this is a shopping project and the majority of your total look should be from items purchased using skills you've learned while doing this project. You may also bring completed poster, pages, or visuals.

- Clothing for your Career: The outfit you made according to project guidelines. The outfit should have at least 2 pieces, appropriate for the job, work or interview.

- Loungewear: Construct the outer layer of a lounging outfit such as a robe, shawl or cover-up. A nightgown or two-piece pajamas are also acceptable.

- Em-Bel-Ish: Bring a previously made garment or ready-to-wear garment selected from your wardrobe or a ready-to-wear garment that you embellished.

- Clothing for High School & College: Construct a garment, minimum of two pieces or a one-piece garment with sleeves plus some other style detail not tried before, according to project guidelines.

- Designed by Me: Construct a decorated top (with the 2 embellished method you used) with the completed outfit according to project guidelines. You may also bring a completed poster, pages, or visual showing completed activities.

- Ready, Set, Sew Active!: Construct a garment for active sports according to project guidelines.

- Outerwear for Anywhere: construct an outer garment according to project guidelines.

Communication

Communication projects such as Finding Your Voice: Public Speaking Made Easy are judged during **Leadership Day** General 4-H Project Judging at the County Fair. Exhibitors should bring their completed project book and an educational display of their choice on a ½ poster board or an item the exhibitor can handle on their own.

Creative and Leisure Arts

Creative Arts & Leisure Projects are unique, as the projects listed within this area require different types of educational displays and some are judged pre-fair, while others, are judged during the Creative and Leisure Arts Judging:

Cake Decorating is judged pre-fair during the Food & Nutrition project judging. Youth should enroll in the project level that matches their accomplishment in the Skills and Techniques Record. Exhibitors must bring their completed project book and cake example to project judging:
- Beginning – 9x13 flat cake iced and decorated with homemade butter cream frosting including a border on top and bottom of the cake, have a flower arrangement with stems, leaves, and flowers of your choice and have an inscription of best wishes, happy birthday, congratulations, etc.
- Intermediate – One two-layer cake or cake baked in a specialty pan. Your choice of butter cream or royal icing, including a border, writing, 3 different flower styles, 2 different leaf styles, and side decoration in your decorating scheme.
- Advanced – prepare a tiered cake with at least three levels. Use buttercream frosting, fondant, or royal icing. Use a combination border and side decoration, two flower nail flowers, and at least one special effect.

Cake Decorating, 1st place exhibitors, are eligible to participate in the Silent Auction. They are also eligible to participate in the Food & Nutrition Skillathon.

Collecting
"My Favorite Things" is judged during Creative and Leisure Arts, exhibitors are to bring their completed project book and educational display of their choice on a ½ sized poster board or item they can handle on their own.

Fine Arts
- Quilting the Best Better & You Can Quilt are judged as part of the pre-fair Clothing and Textile Project Judging. Exhibitors should bring their project book and educational display. Educational Displays for:
  - You Can Quilt should consist of one mini quilt, per patterns provided in the project book.
  - Quilting the Best Better should consist of one lap quilt.

  Quilting projects are eligible to participate in the Clothing and Textiles Skillathon, the Style Show, and 1st place exhibitors are eligible for the Silent Auction.

- Get Started in Art and Seeing Through Graphic Design is judged during the Creative and Leisure Arts Day at General 4-H Project Judging during the county fair. Exhibitors should bring their completed project book and a piece of art or portfolio made as part of your 4-H project. Get Started In Art, 1st place, is eligible for the Silent Auction.

Genealogy
- Family History Treasure Hunt is judged during Creative and Leisure Arts Day at General 4-H Project Judging at the Fair. Participants should bring their completed project book. Participants should also bring their Research Journal and Treasure Hunter's Kit. This project can be taken for many years, members should meet the requirements outlined for their project year and reflect in the project book.

Photography
Photography Projects are judged during the Creative and Leisure Arts Day at General 4-H Project Judging during the county fair. Exhibitors should bring their completed project book and educational display. All 1st place photography projects are eligible for the Silent Auction.
Educational Displays for Photography consist of the following:
- Photography Basics: 1 single print of any size mounted **or** a collection of prints illustrating a "Photo Story", consisting of at least 5 and not more than 10 photographs mounted at the discretion of exhibitor **or** a collection of prints illustration one of the activities the participant completed for the project, consisting of 5 to 10 photographs mounted at the discretion of participant.
- Next Level Photography: 1 single print of any size mounted at the discretion of the participant –or- a single print illustrating an "enlargement" which should consist of an enlargement print, mounted and accompanied by the original size print –or- a collection of 5 –10 prints illustrating one of the "activities" completed from the project -or- a single original print illustrating a "News Story" which should be mounted at the discretion of the exhibitor and accompanied by the published article.
- Mastering Photography: 1 single print of any size mounted at the discretion of the participant –or- a single print illustrating an "enlargement" which should consist of an enlargement print, mounted and accompanied by the original size print –or- a collection of 5 –10 prints illustrating one of the "activities" completed from the project -or- a single original print illustrating a "News Story" which should be mounted at the discretion of the exhibitor and accompanied by the published article.
- Photography Master: Bring at least 1 print for display, mounted at exhibitors' discretion, illustrating what they consider "the best" of the photographs demonstrating the area of interest they have chosen to "master" in this year project.

Scrapbooking & Writing
Scrapbooking Projects and The Writer In You are judged during Creative and Leisure Arts. Exhibitors should bring their completed project book, as well as their scrapbook or portfolio of work.

Food & Nutrition

Food and Nutrition Projects are judged pre-fair during Food and Nutrition Project Judging. Each exhibitor should bring their completed project book and a sample of one of your meals from a recipe in the book. Only bring one food item and the dishes and silverware necessary to illustrate and serve the food item. Recipe from the book should be included.

Food and Nutrition Projects are eligible for an Overall Winner Award which is a compiled score of project judging and skillathon, bonus points are awarded for attendance at the Style Show. Skillathon is available at Project Judging. All 1st place winners are also eligible to participate in the Silent Auction where a fresh, baked only, item is eligible for sale.

Home Living

Home Living Projects are judged during Home Living Day during the General 4-H Project Judging at the County Fair. Exhibitors must bring their completed project book and items constructed according to the project or visuals (an exhibit of items from the project or pictures on a ½ sized poster board) to display their project accomplishments according to the requirements of the project book.

Leadership & Citizenship and About 4-H

All Leadership & Citizenship and About 4-H Projects are judged during Leadership and Citizenship Day at the County Fair. Exhibitors should bring completed project book a display of their learning experience to judging; this could be a ½ sized poster board or a display of an item the 4-H member can handle on their own.

Money Management

All Money Management Projects are judged during Money Management Day at the County Fair. Exhibitors should bring completed project book a display of their learning experience to judging; this could be a ½ sized poster board or a display of an item the 4-H member can handle on their own.

Natural Resources

Natural Resource Projects consist of many different categories, each having their own requirements for educational displays for project judging:

Gardening and Plant Science and The Natural World
All projects listed under Gardening/Plant Science and The Natural World are to bring their completed project book and educational display either on a ½ sized poster board or something that showcases their project experience easily maneuvered by the exhibitor. These projects are judged during Natural Resources Day during General 4-H Project Judging at the county fair. Produce and other items made by the 1st Place Exhibitors are eligible for the Silent Auction.

Shooting Sports
The Lawrence County 4-H Shootings Sports Committee provides organization to the county's Shooting Sports Program. 4-H members interested in a 700 level shooting sports program must enroll in the Lawrence County 4-H Shooting Sports Club and complete their training hours scheduled with a certified instructor to qualify for project judging. Project Judging is completed on Shooting Sports Project Judging Day. Judging and Skillathon scheduling is at the discretion of the committee.

The Safe Use of Guns Project and the Basic Archery Project are entry level projects completed through any club membership and projects are judged on Shooting Sports Project Judging Day.

STEM

All STEM projects are exhibited during STEM Day during General 4-H Project Judging at the county fair. All exhibitors should bring their completed project book and an exhibit easily handled the exhibitor representing their 4-H project experience, this may be represented with a physical item or through pictures on a ½ sized poster board. 1st place exhibitors who made their project display such as welding, wood working, etc. are eligible for the Silent Auction.

Educational Display with Special Requirements:
• Rockets Away – Solid Fuel: No launch equipment available at judging.
• Rockets Away - Bottle Rockets: Bring bottle rocket, a launcher will be available.
• Robotics: EV3: Kits are available for check out for building of robot.
• Welding: Two welding projects, that will fit in an imaginary box 6ft x 6ft x 3ft, One from the recommended projects in the 4-H project book and another of their own design.
• Woodworking: Display one item made from their project book or an item requiring the same skills as contained in the project book.

Self-Determined

Self-Determined projects have many different Idea Starters available, as well as a Self-Determined Project Guide. The project guide must be complete and exhibited at project judging along with an item or display of photos on a ½ sized poster board representing the 4-H project experience. Self-Determined project judging takes place during Self-Determined Day during General 4-H Project Judging at the fair. No live animals allowed at project judging.

Workforce Preparation

All workforce Prep projects will be judged during Workforce Preparation Day during 4-H Project Judging at the Fair. Exhibitors should bring their completed project book, as well as a display illustrating their 4-H workforce preparation experiences and accomplishments, as well as be prepared to participate in a mock interview for a "summer internship at the Extension Office".

County 4-H Volunteer Committees

Lawrence County 4-H Committee, Lawrence County 4-H Livestock Committee, Shooting Sports Committee, and other sub-committees, as necessary, provide leadership and guidance to our 4-H program.

The committee helps guide county-wide decisions, programming, scholarship opportunities, and much more. Each committee has 15 – 20 certified volunteers who serve for a 3-year term with the option to renew at the end of their term.

Committee members are a great resource for questions and a sounding board to present new ideas for the county 4-H program. The committees are always open to new members each September, during the reorganization meeting, where elections will take place.

For more information, reach out to fraley.171@osu.edu or a current committee member.

4-H Camping Opportunities

Canter's Cave 4-H Camp is the home of Lawrence County 4-H Campers. Each year Canter's Cave 4-H Camp hosts many camping opportunities for our youth. Check the calendar for this year's camping dates and visit our website for camp specific information, scholarships, registrations and required health forms at https://lawrence.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/4-h-camp

Teen Counselors from Lawrence County help to provide leadership to our camps, as well as county educators throughout our region.

Scholarships are available for those financially in need based on an application process.

4-H Teen Leader Opportunities

Lawrence County Junior Fairboard – Ages 14 and Up, meet at the Extension Office monthly beginning in November of each 4-H year. They are tasked with preparing for the Junior Fair Activities at the Fair, Cloverbud County-Wide Activities and Other Community Service Events; learning leadership, communication, and responsibility.

Lawrence County Camp Counselors – Ages 14 and Up, Applications are due February 1st and counselor training begins in March and goes through May. Counselors are then selected to counsel camps based upon age and experience.

Lawrence County Carteens – Ages 16 and Up, 4-H members provide monthly Carteens programming to 1st time teen traffic offenders as well as provide prom programming to local high schools.

To become involved in a Teen Leader opportunity, members should reach out to a teen leader or contact the Extension Office at 740-533-4322.

Lawrence County 4-H Senior Scholarship Opportunities

Graduating Lawrence County 4-H Seniors, seeking higher education, are eligible to submit this scholarship application form with the following attachments:
- a current transcript of your grades
- a one-page letter of support from your academic advisor, guidance counselor, teacher community leader, or employer
- a two-page, single-sided, double-spaced personal 4-H story that shares how 4-H contributed to your personal development, leadership skills, and/or career plans

Lawrence County 4-H Scholarship selections are based on the following criteria: 5% potential success, 5% financial information, 5% transcript and letter of support review, 25% 4-H Leadership Activities, 10% Major 4-H Honors, 25% Community Service/Citizenship, 25% Personal 4-H Story.

Applications can be found at: go.osu.edu/lawco4hscholarship Deadline to apply is april 15th of the current 4-H year. Award recipients will receive $250.00 toward higher education. Lawrence County 4-H Scholarships awards are contingent upon the Extension Office receiving proof of higher education enrollment and the vendor set-up form to issue payment. If these items are not received before October 1 of 4-H year the recipient forfeits the award.

Where Can I Find More Information?

Lawrence.osu.edu houses all OSU Extension, 4-H Youth Development Information

Become A Lawrence County 4-H Volunteer, houses New Volunteer Applications & How To Complete BCI Screening: https://lawrence.osu.edu/<front>/become-lawrence-county-4-h-volunteer

Become A Lawrence County 4-H Member, houses Enrollment Information, Winning 4-H Plan, & Across County Lines Membership: https://lawrence.osu.edu/<front>/become-lawrence-county-4-h-member

Start A Lawrence County 4-H Club houses booklet of guidelines for forming a new 4-H Club: https://lawrence.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/get-involved-lawrence-county-4-h-0/start-lawrence-county-4-h

Lawrence County 4-H Club Advisor Resources houses Volunteer Enrollment Information, 4-H Club Management Information and Forms such as club publication order form, yearly club charter documentation, club fundraising forms, and helpful club meeting resources: https://lawrence.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/4-h-forms-and-applications/lawrence-county-4-h-club-advisor

Lawrence County 4-H Club Membership Resources houses returning family enrollment information and club officer resources: https://lawrence.osu.edu/program-areas-4-h-youth-development/4-h-forms-and-applications/lawrence-county-4-h-club-membership

Lawrence County 4-H Newsletters can be found monthly for our latest news and updates. Volunteers and members can subscribe to them at u.osu.edu/lawrence4h or at https://lawrence.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/clover-connecton-newsletters

Lawrence County 4-H Project Information houses all Project Judging registrations, dates and times, and project fact sheets, as well as assistance with picking a project: https://lawrence.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/4-h-forms-and-applications/lawrence-county-4-h-project

4-H Project Forms houses all required animal forms such as livestock alternate housing, breeding/non-market exhibition registrations, market chicken, horse ruls and regulations, and self-determined project guides and idea starters: https://lawrence.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/4-h-forms-and-applications/4-h-project-forms

Lawrence County Fair houses rules and regulations, junior fair schedule, livestock skillathon and quality assurance, club beautification sign ups, and fair pageant information: https://lawrence.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/lawrence-county-fair

4-H Camp dates, registrations, and scholarships can be found at https://lawrence.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/4-h-camp

Please make sure the e-mail entered during enrollment on oh.4honline.com is correct. All communication is sent via e-mail as it is available.

November 2021

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Important County Dates

November 1: Start of new 4-H Year

November 11: County Extension Office Closed in observance of Veterans Day

November 25 – 26: County Extension Office Closed in observance of Thanksgiving and Columbus Day

December 2021

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Important County Dates

December 2: Lawrence County 4-H Competencies Training, ZOOM

December 18: Market Steer Tag-In, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm, Lawrence County Fairgrounds

December 23 – 24: County Extension Office Closed in observance of Presidents Day and Christmas

December 27: Quality Assurance, ZOOM

December 31: County Extension Office Closed in observance of New Year's Day

January 2022

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Important County Dates

January 17: Extension Office Closed in Observance of Martin Luther King Day

January 24: QA Test-Out, 3:00 – 6:00pm, Extension Office

January 31: Club Yearly Financial Report & Club Charter Checklist Due

February 2022

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Important County Dates

February 1: Lawrence County 4-H Camp Counselor Applications Due

February 5 – 6: Canters Cave Teen Winter Retreat

February 15: Volunteer Training/QA Assistant Instructor Training, 6:00, Location TBD

February 28: QA Test Out, 3:00 – 6:00pm, Extension Office

March 2022

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Important County Dates

March 15: Lawrence County 4-H Enrollment Deadline

March 19 – 20: Canter's Cave 4-H Camp Counselor College

March 28: Quality Assurance Training, ZOOM

March 30: Dog Obedience Orientation, 6:00pm, Extension Office

March 31: Lawrence County 4-H Enrollment Changes Deadline

April 2022

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Important County Dates

April 1: Market Chicken Orders Due

April 1: Lawrence County 4-H Horse ID Due

April 15: Lawrence County 4-H Senior Scholarship Application Due

April 15: Lawrence County 4-H Camper Scholarships Due

April 21: Quality Assurance, 7:30pm, ZOOM

April 22 – 24: Canter's Cave 4-H Forestry Camp

April 23: Market Lamb, Goat & Hog Tag In, Lawrence County Fairgrounds, 8:00 – 10:00am

April 29 – 30: Canter's Cave 4-H Camp Spring Fling

May 2022

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Important County Dates

May 1: Lawrence County 4-H Camper Scholarships Due

May 1: Livestock Quality Assurance and Horse Equistep Training Deadline

May 25 – 27: Tentative Market Chicken Pick Up

May 30: Extension Office Closed in observance of Memorial Day

May 31 – June 3: Canter's Cave 4-H Beginner Camp for Lawrence County Campers

June 2022

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Important County Dates

May 31 – June 3: Canter's Cave 4-H Beginner Camp for Lawrence County Campers

June 1: Non-Livestock Breeding Forms Due

June 11: Market Rabbit Tattooing, Lawrence County Fairgrounds, 8:00 – 10:00am

June 15: General 4-H Project Book Judging Registration Deadline

June 20: Ohio State Fair Livestock Exhibition Deadline

June 20: Extension Office Closed in Observance of Juneteenth

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Important County Dates

July 4: Extension Office Closed in observance of Independence Day

July 5: Lawrence County 4-H Pre-Fair Volunteer Drop-In, 8:30am – 5:30pm

July 9 – 16: Lawrence County Fair

July 20: Lawrence County State Fair Entry Deadline

July 27 – Aug. 7: Ohio State Fair

August 2022

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Important County Dates

September 5: Extension Office Closed in observance of Labor Day

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