

## Important Dates 2023

- 3/31 4-H Enrollment Deadline
- Attend ONE **Quality Assurance** training:
  - In person Trainings: March 2<sup>nd</sup>, April 12<sup>th</sup>, April 29<sup>th</sup>, May 5<sup>th</sup>
  - Test out Options by appointment or at LHS April 14<sup>th</sup>
  - [Online YQCA Training](#) – Certificates due to office by May 26th
- County Project **Judging** and **Livestock Skillathon** (July)
- **Distribute** buyer invites for potential Sale buyers
- **Hocking County Fair**  
September 11-16  
Haul in September 9
- **Goat Show** at the Hocking Country Fair - September 12th

**Remember to  
thank your  
buyer(s)  
after the sale!**

## Goat Help Contacts

Questions about your Goat project?  
Contact a member of the Hocking  
County 4-H Office or the following  
project helpers.

### Project Help:

Vicki Conrad	(740) 603-0947
Stephanie Blackford	(740) 603-3398
Caleb Conrad	(740) 279-5814
Clay Wolfinger (Barn Superintendent)	(740) 270-2476



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## Species Guide for First Year Projects

### Goats



**Market, Dairy, Companion,  
Harness, Pygmy**



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## Goat Project Categories:

- **135MD Breeding - Dairy**
- **135BM Breeding – Meat Goats**
- **135F Fiber Goats**
- **135H Harness Goats**
- **135M Market Goat**
- **135P Pack Goat**
- **135PY Pygmy Goat**

## Project To Do List

Members must follow the guidelines of:

- ☐ **Market Goats** are Tagged the first Saturday in June. All other goat projects must be in possession by June 1.
- ☐ **Market Goats** must be born after January 1 of the exhibition year
- ☐ Attend **Quality Assurance** training
- ☐ Complete project book and attend **Project Judging and Skill-a-thon** (July)
- ☐ Complete Fair Sign ups in August
- ☐ Bring exhibit to the fair at scheduled haul in time.
- ☐ Must exhibit the project in designated class.
- ☐ Youth must be enrolled in a breeding project to compete in Kid to Finish classes

### Recommended:

- Talk with feed store for best feeding options
  - Chieftain Feed and Supply: 740-216-4208
  - Hocking Hills Feed and Supply: 740-385-3018
  - Rushcreek Feed: 740-569-4105
- Attend an open show to watch or show
- Attend a fitting and showing clinic
- Attend other county fair shows

### Market Goats

Born after: January 1st

Possession Date: June 1

Tagging June 3<sup>rd</sup> 7AM – 10AM

Weight at fair: minimum of 50lbs

## Resources for Goat Projects

**Goat Resource Handbook** – available for purchase at the OSU Extension office. This book contains essential information for project evaluation.

Skillathon Kits – Ask Club Advisor about checking these out from the extension office for club practice.

**Never** be afraid to ask an experienced showman or family for help!

## Equipment and Cost Considerations

Feed Pan	Scotch comb
Water Bucket	Rice brush
Stand	Adhesive
Blower	Shampoo
Rope Halter	Show collar
Shavings	

## Additional Information

- Market Goats should be born between January and March.
- Cost of goat can vary.
- Market goats can be wethers or does.
- Does cannot be both breeding and market.
- Goats eat about 2.5-3.5% of their body weight in feed a day
- Goats need room for exercise and play
- Shelter from the elements and predators.
- Clean straw or shavings for bedding.
- Goats must have a permanent scrapie identification.

## Local Breeders to Contact

Joie Carr	740-541-3608
James Maynard	740-475-8632
Stephanie Blackford	740-603-3398

## Exhibiting a Goat Project

- **Showmanship** is offered, but not required.
- Classes are based on **weight or birthdate (breeding) or discipline**
- **Dress code:** Button up (white for dairy)collared shirt; blue jeans, sturdy shoes

Review the Hocking County Fair Book for all exhibition rules and requirements

