

# 4-H Clovergram

**2023  
FAIR EDITION****Hocking County / 4-H Youth Development****August 2023****HAPPY (almost) FAIR GREETINGS**

It is almost time for the Hocking County Fair! Many of us have been planning this since the 2022 Fair! It is the time of year we all look forward to for many reasons. Warm weather mixed with cool, fall mornings, good food, livestock shows, and most of all friends and family make this time of the year a favorite for many. While you are home prepping in the next couple of weeks and have questions or need help with your projects, please reach out to your 4-H Advisors or contact the Extension Office. We highly encourage you to routinely visit our website [hocking.osu.edu](http://hocking.osu.edu) and our Facebook page [facebook.com/osu.hocking.extension](https://facebook.com/osu.hocking.extension) for information related to the 4-H program, along with our New 4-H NOW App on your phone. Also be sure to stay up to date with the [Hocking County Agricultural Society Facebook page](#).

Thank you to our 4-H Volunteers for your continued dedication to the Hocking County 4-H Program. Our success truly depends on you. The commitment you pledge to our youth makes a powerful and positive impact in many young lives and can be a source of great joy and satisfaction for you.

This will not be my first Hocking County Fair but only my 2<sup>nd</sup> as the 4-H Educator and it will be Steph's first as our Program Assistant! Please, if you see us, say "Hi" and come chat with us. We look forward to seeing familiar faces and meeting new people. Good Luck to all the exhibitors! Enjoy the excitement as you experience your first year as an exhibitor and to those approaching their final year – savor the moment and the memories. They go very quickly. To those who are graduating this year, look for your way to leave a mark and give back. A favorite mentor of mine always said "You're Never Done, Your roles just change" – Dan Hoge.

Please read this letter **carefully** as it contains many things you will need to know to be ready for the fair. There are several NEW ITEMS this year that you need to be familiar with! If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the office at 740-385-3222.

Sincerely,  
*Kayla Nihiser*  
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4-H Educator

### Important Dates:

- Fair Secretary Office Open for Registration Help

- July 31 – 4PM to 7PM
- August 1 – 4PM to 7PM
- August 2 – 4PM to 7PM
- August 3 – 4PM to 7PM
- August 11 – 1PM to 7PM
- August 12 – 9AM to 5PM

**4-H Club Volunteers should contact families to make sure they are aware of tagging and fair entry deadlines.**

- Feeder Calf (Beef and Dairy Feeders) Tagging: Saturday, August 12 from 8 - 10 AM
- Market Rabbit Tattooing: August 14 from 5 to 8 PM in the Art Hall
- Hocking County Fair: September 11 -16.

## 2023 Hocking County 4-H Calendar

### August

- 8/1 Feeder Calf Possession Deadline
- 8/2 Cloverbud Interviews, 4-6 pm , SWCD
- 8/7 4-H Committee Meeting, 7 pm, Youth Center
- 8/8 Hocking County Fair Board Meeting 7 pm
- 8/12 Point Show - Hocking County Fairgrounds
- 8/12 Feeder Calf tagging (Dairy and Beef Feeders), 8 am to 10 am at fairgrounds
- 8/14 Rabbit tattooing, 5-8 pm at the fairgrounds
- 8/15 4-H Horse Sub-Committee Meeting, 7 pm, Youth Center
- 8/25 Fair booth reservations due
- 8/27 Pullorum Testing for Poultry Projects (excluding turkeys and waterfowl) 10am to NOON in the Poultry Barn
- 8/28 4-H Committee Meeting, 7 pm, Youth Center
- 8/29 Youth Board Meeting, 6 pm, Youth Board

### September

- 9/4 Office Closed (in observance of Labor Day)
- 9/5 Hocking County Fair Board Meeting 7pm
- 9/7 Fair Booth Set-up, 8:30 am to 3:30 pm
- 9/8 Fair Booth Set-up, 8:30 am to 7 pm
- 9/9 Fair Booth Set-up, 10 am to 4 pm
- 9/10 4-H Graduation, 4:30 PM, Show Arena
- 9/10 Youth Board Hay Bale Toss; following Fair Royalty Contest; Show Arena
- 9/10 to 9/16 Hocking County Fair
- 9/17 Fair Booth Tear Down 1-3 pm
- 9/19 4-H Horse Sub-Committee Meeting, 7 pm, Youth Center
- 9/26 Youth Board Meeting, 6 pm, Youth Board
- 9/27 CARTEENS, 3:30-5:30 pm at the Youth Center
- 9/29 4-H Year-End Award Applications Due before 4 pm

### October

- 10/2 4-H Committee Meeting, 7 pm, Youth Center
- 10/7 Point Show – Hocking County Fairgrounds
- 10/10 Hocking County Fair Board Meeting 7 pm
- 10/16 Extension Advisory Meeting - 7 pm, Youth Center
- 10/17 4-H Horse Sub-Committee Meeting, 7 pm, Youth Center
- 10/31 Youth Board Meeting, 6 pm, Youth Board



Pease visit our Facebook page for important information and updates:  
<https://www.facebook.com/osu.hocking.extension>

## Project Judging & Skillathon

Youth – If you were awarded a trophy or ribbon at the Awards Program and were not there to receive it, please pick it up at the office. \*Make sure your advisor does not already have it.

Copies of score sheets are also available for pickup at the office.



## Ohio State Fair – Congratulations!

Congratulations to the Ohio State Fair delegates! Hocking County 4-H is being represented by 38 members with 44 still projects and demonstration contests at the Ohio State Fair this year.

Good luck, and most importantly, have fun!

If you receive an Outstanding of the Day or Clock Trophy at the Ohio State Fair, please contact the Extension Office so we can share your achievement. You make us proud!

Fair books will be available at various locations throughout Hocking County, including the Extension Office. Please take the time to familiarize yourself with the fair rules. All 4-H exhibitors and families are responsible for knowing and abiding by all the rules listed in the Fair Book. If you have questions regarding the fair, please **contact Annika Thomas, Hocking County Fair Board Secretary, at [hockingcountyagsociety@gmail.com](mailto:hockingcountyagsociety@gmail.com) or 740-603-2292.**

## Livestock Sale Order

Friday, September 15 – 6PM: Small Animal Sale – Rabbits, Broilers, Geese, Turkeys

Saturday, September 16 – 5PM: Large Animal Sale – Beef, Goat, Sheep, Swine

\*Be sure to do buyer invites and thank your buyers after the sale.



## Hocking County Fair Food Booth Schedule

Sunday	10-2	Rolling Hills	Thursday	10-2	Chieftain Lads & Lassies
	2-6	Anything Goes		2-6	Young Adventurers
	6-10	Rushcreek River Rats		6-10	Kicking It Country
Monday	10-2	Blue Ribbon Livestock	Friday	10-2	Cedar Falls
	2-6	Logan Hocking Grow N Show		2-6	Purple Clovers 4-H Pride
	6-10	Mound Crossing		6-10	Young Guns
Tuesday	10-2	Power-N-Club Kids	Saturday	10-2	Honey Fork Lads & Lassies
	2-6	Country Critters		2-6	Lo-Hock
	6-10	Klip Klop Klub		6-10	Jesse Burns
Wednesday	10-2	Heart of the Country	<b>Clubs without a time slot should contact Amy Sams at 740.603.0590 between 9AM and 9PM to add your club to the schedule.</b>		
	2-6	United Clovers			
	6-10	Bear Run Boy & Girls			



## Youth Showmanship

This event is open to any interested youth between the ages of 5 and 8 who are not enrolled as traditional 4-H members. Pre-registration is required. The sign-up sheet will be in the Fair Board Secretary's Office. Registration closes Thursday, September 14 at 3 PM. No late entries will be accepted. This event is sponsored by the Junior Fair Board. For more information see the Hocking County Fair Guide.

## **DRUG USE NOTIFICATION FORMS - DUNF**

Drug Use Notification Forms must be completed digitally. Valid and current Drug Use Notification Forms (DUNF) must be submitted online immediately prior to the Hocking County Fair for each market and lactating animal that is exhibited by a youth participating in Junior Fair. A link will be shared through the Hocking County Ag Society Facebook page and the Hocking County Extension Facebook and Website pages on Friday, September 7, 2023.

**DUNFs must be filled out before EACH animal can be unloaded.**

**\*NEW** – Market Rabbits require a DUNF in 2023

You must bring a printed version of your email confirmation to give the barn superintendents during move in.

Exception: \*Poultry (Market Chickens, Geese, Turkeys) tagged at the fair will have until 6PM the day of weigh in to submit their DUNF.

**There will be a How-To PDF and Video posted prior to the link being released.**

### **\*Animals requiring DUNF:**



**Market Beef  
Beef Feeder  
Dairy Beef Feeder  
Dairy Cow  
Dairy Heifer  
Market Hog**

**Market Lamb  
Market Geese (pen of 2)  
Market Chickens (pen of 2)  
Market Turkey  
Market Goat  
Dairy Goat**



### **Feeder Calf Tagging – August 12, 8-10AM**

**NEW For 2023** Feeder Heifers may be tagged in during the 2023 tagging for feeder calves and will show in the feeder calf class with the feeder steers. Once a heifer is tagged as market she may NOT be shown as a breeding animal.

Market Heifers will be able to be shown and sold at the 2024 Hocking County Fair as Market Beef. Heifers will be entered in with the Market Steers unless there are enough heifers to create a Market Heifer Class.

### **Fancy Poultry & Turkeys**

All fancy poultry and turkeys brought to the Hocking County Fair must be accompanied with a certificate that states they have had a negative test result for pullorum/fowl typhoid disease within 90 days of the opening date of the fair or originated from a flock or hatchery that has been tested and found negative for pullorum/fowl typhoid disease.

**Pullorum Testing will be offered August 27<sup>th</sup> at 10AM in the Poultry Barn.** The testing is free of charge but a donation to the Hocking County Senior Fair Board is encourage to aid in the purchase of future testing antigen.

### **Outstanding Livestock Exhibitor Awards**

Members who participated in the 2023 Livestock Skillathons are automatically eligible to compete for Outstanding Livestock Exhibitor (OLE) Awards. The OLE rules are posted at [www.hocking.osu.edu](http://www.hocking.osu.edu). Click on 4-H Youth Development, then on 4-H Forms and Applications and scroll down to Outstanding Livestock Exhibitor 2023. Five places will be given in each specie.

**Remember, you must participate in your showmanship class at the county fair to be included in this program. The OLE program is facilitated by the 4-H Committee.**

### **Exhibitor Passes**

All 4-H Exhibitors are provided a Junior Fair Exhibitor pass through the generosity of the Hocking County Fair Board and purchased by the Hocking County 4-H Committee. This includes all **completed** traditional and Cloverbud 4-H members. The pass will get them into the fairgrounds during the week of the Hocking County Fair. Exhibitor tickets DO NOT include rides.

The Extension Office will provide a list of 4-H members, who are **complete** per club, to the Hocking County Fair Board Secretary. Club packets may be picked up at the Extension Office beginning at 9 AM on September 1. The organizational volunteer from each club may pick up their club packet. Other official volunteers in the club may pick up packets only if the office is notified by the organizational volunteer. Packets will include exhibitor tickets and exhibitor numbers. Members who are in multiple clubs will receive their ticket through their primary club.

**Incomplete members will not receive a pass.** A member list will be included in your packet.

Be sure to write a note of thanks to the Hocking County Fair Board and 4-H Committee! The notes can be mailed to 150 N. Homer Ave., Logan, OH 43138.

**A reminder to all 4-H Organizational Advisors – Your club's Grade Sheets must be received by the due date of August 18. We cannot determine if your members are complete or incomplete without your Grade Sheet.**

To be "complete" in 2023, 4-H members must have:

- Attended a minimum of four (4) club meetings
- Participated in the 4-H judging/skillathon with a minimum of one project (*excluding Cloverbuds*)
- Presented a minimum of one project demonstration at a club meeting (*excluding Cloverbuds*)
- Abide by their 4-H club's requirements as outlined in their club by-laws

*\*Livestock and Horse projects also require QA and EqiSTEP training, respectively*

### **2023 Fair Royalty**

Applications will be available at the Hocking County Fair Board Secretary's office during office hours. Printable versions are available online at [hockingcofair.com](http://hockingcofair.com)

Applications are to be returned to the fair board office no later than 5 PM on August 12. All applications must have a photo and a \$10 nonrefundable fee. No late or emailed entries accepted.

#### **Judging Times – July 19<sup>th</sup>**

Queen (Ages 16-18) – 9:30 AM

Princess (Ages 13-15) – 11 AM

Jr Miss (Ages 10-12) – 12:30 PM

Tiny Miss (Age 5 Years) – 2PM

Little Miss (Ages 6-7) – 2:45 PM

Little Miss Jr (Ages 8-9) – 3:15 PM



### **Fair Premiums**

Fair premiums will be paid by check to each 4-H Club. The check should be deposited into the club's checking account. Then, club checks should be written to members. Clubs must submit the premium list provided to them with required financial forms mailed in the fall. Members must sign to document receipt of the premium monies. **THIS IS A REQUIREMENT – not an option.** You must submit the signed premium with your annual Financial Summary due in January.

All fair premiums are the courtesy of the Hocking County Agricultural Society (Senior Fair Board). Be sure to thank them.



## Fair Booth Information

Each club may select the theme for their booth. The booths measure 6' wide, 6' high, and 3' deep. Please design your booth within these measurements. DO NOT use glitter in your design.

### Booth set up:

Thursday, September 7      8:30 AM – 3:30 PM  
Friday, September 8        8:30 AM – 7 PM  
Saturday, September 9      10 AM – 4 PM



### Judging criteria

- 1) **Effective use of theme (20 pts):** Tells 4-H story built around theme, expressed clearly and simply. Follows through with theme.
- 2) **Effective use of signs (20 pts):** The following is clearly visible: Club Name, Advisors & Members, 4-H Pledge & Motto.
- 3) **Curb Appeal (15 pts):** Original/creative/unique; captures peoples' attention; attracts and holds interest.
- 4) **Appearance (15 pts):** Attractive, neat, well labeled, wise use of available space.
- 5) **Member project exhibits (30 pts):** Still (special interest) Projects are displayed in an educational manner.

*\*Clubs with only livestock projects (not required to display) will receive 15 pts.*

To receive a fair premium for a still (special interest) project, 4-H members must display their project in an educational manner. *\*Companion Animal projects (dog, cat, cavy, pocket pets) will only receive a premium if project animal is shown in a live show at the fair.*

### Examples of educational displays include:

A poster display about something learned in the project. If two or more 4-H members are enrolled in the same project, both of their names can be put on one poster to save booth space.

- A display of items made as part of the project. For example, clothing, welding, woodworking, etc. – Be sure to put informational labels on the items. For example, lapped zipper, dove tail joint, the parts of a fishing pole etc. A display without labels is not considered educational.
- Three ring binder (portfolio) for food projects.
- Scrapbook for scrapbooking project.

A non-exhaustive list of examples of member displays that will **not receive fair premiums** include:

Lists of members enrolled in a project	4-H project books
Photos of members	Member trophies/ribbons

These items can be included in the booth. However, to receive a fair premium, each member's display must be educational.

If you have questions about if a display is educational, please call the Extension Office.

4-H'ers enrolled in livestock/animal projects receive fair premiums for exhibiting their animals at the fair. They do not receive premiums for booth displays.

Extension Staff will check each club's booth and note who has exhibited an educational display. 4-H advisors should notify an Extension Staff member as soon as their booth is complete. The advisor and Extension Staff will work together to complete the premium sheet.

**Fair booths must be torn down on Sunday, September 17 from 1 - 3 PM.** Clubs who fail to tear down their booth during this time and those who reserve a booth but fail to set it up will not be allowed a booth next year. According to page 2 of the 2023 fair book, "Any person or group leaving staples, wire, tacks, nails, wood, etc., in any booth will not receive a premium for the booth. Booths will be inspected when they are taken down."

**\*Note: Tear-down includes sweeping the floor/area of your booth**

Fair Booth reservations are due to the Extension Office by 4 PM, August 25.

### **Jr. Fair Livestock Buyer Thank You Signs**

Members are encouraged to show thanks and appreciation to the Junior Fair Livestock buyers. One way to do this is making and displaying thank you signs. All signs are eligible to compete in the Thank You Sign Contest, sponsored by the 4-H Committee.

The contest rules must be followed to be eligible to compete:

- 1) Contest is open to any 4-H/FFA member who sold livestock in the previous year's Junior Fair Sales.
- 2) All signs are to be **22" by 14"** (half of a poster board) and must be made by the exhibitor.
- 3) Professional and/or political signs are not allowed.
- 4) Each sign is to thank the member's livestock buyer(s) from the previous year.
- 5) There are to be no items which could fall off.
- 6) Signs must be in place by 4 PM Monday, September 11.
- 7) Signs must be hung in the appropriate specie barn.

Judging is based on originality and adherence to the rules.

Signs are to be moved to the Show Arena on Friday or Saturday for display during the sale of that specie. Exhibitors must remove the signs at the end of the sale. All tacks, staples, wire, nails, etc. used to display the signs must be removed.

### **4-H Flower Display Contest**

4-H Clubs are welcome to set up a flower display at the fair. Displays recorded on the board in the Youth Center are eligible to compete in the 4-H Flower Display Contest. Thank you to the Hocking County 4-H Committee for sponsoring this contest.

#### **Guidelines:**

- 4-H Club name must be visible.
- Live flowers are to be used in the exhibit.
- The exhibit must be created by youth.
- The club making the exhibit will be responsible for placing it in an appropriate place on the fairgrounds when they arrive on Sunday, caring for it during the fair and taking it home at the end of the fair. Be careful to avoid fair vendor areas.



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Follow this procedure to set-up a display:

- 1) Check the map on the bulletin board in the Youth Center to see where your display may be placed.
- 2) Put up your display. The group that physically sets-up the space first, gets it. Marking the map prior to setting up the display **does not** reserve that space.
- 3) Write your club name and location of your display on the sheet on the Youth Center bulletin board.
- 4) All displays must be in place by Sunday evening, September 10, and removed by Sunday, September 17.

**4-H Fair Contest results** will be posted in the Youth Center. Members/clubs may pick up their awards at the OSU Extension Office during regular office hours: 8 AM – 4 PM; Monday – Friday.

## Hocking County Fair Entry Information

All Hocking County Fair Entries will be done via the ShoWorks Passport application on smart phones. You can Download the app to begin the process. You will make a profile and market animals will be entered during tagging/weigh-in.

All other entries can be made now thru August 12 at 5PM

\*Market Turkey, Geese, and Chickens will make their entries NOW and the tag number for the animals/pens will be added later.

\*Market Rabbits will make their entries during tattooing on August 14.

Be sure to watch the How-to Video to become more familiar with the entry system.

If you need assistance you can visit during the Fair Board Office Hours or contact Annika at [hockingcountyagsociety@gmail.com](mailto:hockingcountyagsociety@gmail.com) or call her at 740-603-2292

Scan QR Code to Download App!



Scan QR Code for demo video!



### Fair Board Secretary Office Hours

July 31 – 4PM to 7PM

August 3 – 4PM to 7PM

August 1 – 4PM to 7PM

August 11 – 1PM to 7PM

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August 12 – 9AM to 5PM

## Livestock Sales Checks

Jr. Fair Exhibitors selling any species through the Jr. Fair Livestock Sales can expect checks to become available approximately three weeks following the sale. Jr. Exhibitors will be notified through the OSU Extension, Hocking County website ([hocking.osu.edu](http://hocking.osu.edu)) and Facebook page, and the Hocking County Agricultural Society Facebook page when checks are available to pick up.

Those who sold any species through the Livestock Sales must pick up their checks and cash them **within 60 days** of their issue date. Checks will be available for pickup in the Hocking County Fair Office Meeting Room on the announced date and time. Those who do not pick up and cash their checks within the 60 days will forfeit their checks and they will become void, unable to be cashed, and then returned to the Hocking County Fair General Livestock Sales account to be used for sale expenses. A thank you card to your buyer(s) and an addressed, stamped envelope must be turned in at the time the checks are picked up. *No thank you card - no check.*





### **4-H Graduation**

All 4-H'ers who graduated from high school in 2023, and those who have, or will, turn the age of 19 in 2023, are eligible to graduate from 4-H. All Cloverbuds who will be age 8 or older **and** in third grade as of January 1, 2024, are eligible to graduate from the Cloverbud program. All members aging out, 2023 high school graduates, and Cloverbuds moving up to traditional member status should have received a letter in the mail with graduation information.

Parents/guardians of Cloverbud graduates may submit youth information by returning the mailed form, calling the office at 740.385.3222 or by email to Angie at [seum.6@osu.edu](mailto:seum.6@osu.edu).

Older youth may submit their graduation story by email ([seum.6@osu.edu](mailto:seum.6@osu.edu)) or drop it off at the Extension office.

**ALL graduates must submit their information to the Extension office by 4 PM, August 18.**

**Hocking County Youth Board** - The Hocking County Youth Board is made up of youth in grades 8 through 12 and adult leaders. Youth terms expire upon graduation. Members learn leadership skills, manage interest earned through their endowment, raise funds for sustainability and award mini grants for youth led community service projects. The group's motto is "Developing Future Leaders for Community Service." Currently, there are openings on the Youth Board. 4-H members are encouraged to apply, but 4-H membership is not required. The application is posted at [www.hocking.osu.edu](http://www.hocking.osu.edu). Click on 4-H Youth Development, then on 4-H Forms and Applications.

The Youth Board provides a monetary recognition to graduating seniors. The amount is based on attendance and participation. For more information about joining the Youth Board, contact Stephanie Blackford at 740-385-3222 or [blackford.74@osu.edu](mailto:blackford.74@osu.edu)

**4-H Advisor Committee / 4-H Horse Committee** - Anyone that is interested in serving on the Hocking County 4-H Advisory Committee or 4-H Horse Committee, please contact Kayla Nihiser at 740-385-3222 or [thompson.1860@osu.edu](mailto:thompson.1860@osu.edu). Members are required to be an official 4-H volunteer. If you are not a volunteer, but are interested, let us help you begin the volunteer process!

**Thank You to our Fair Board** - A great big THANK YOU to the Senior and Junior Fair Boards! These groups work hard throughout the year to plan and prepare the Hocking County Fair. A lot of hours of hard work are put in to make our fair enjoyable, educational, and of course, fun for everyone. Be sure to tell them how much you appreciate their effort.



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