# Ohio County 4-H Update



As a youth 9-18 years old, we are delighted that you are part of our 4-H community, and look forward to working with you and your family with 4-H activities. The 4-H program is delivered through school, community, and project clubs over the coming year. 4-H programming methods include school classroom programs provided by 4-H staff and teachers, and inperson meetings at the Extension office. 4-H Program information and registration procedures are posted monthly in the 4-H Newsletter, 4-H Website and on the 4-H Facebook page. Registration is required to attend in-person non-school 4-H activities. For more information about 4-H contact the Extension Office at 270-298-7441.

To enroll for 4-H clubs or register for 4-H activities visit the Extension office at 1337 Clay Street Hartford Kentucky, call 270-298-7441 or email Gary Druin at <a href="mailto:gdruin@uky.edu">gdruin@uky.edu</a>.

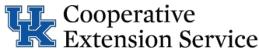
IMPORTANT PARTICIPATION INFORMATION – 4-H Participants must register monthly to attend 4-H Groups, Clubs, Workshops, etc. This allows extension staff and volunteers to have supplies for activities. Extension Staff purchase only enough supplies for those preregistered for the 4-H activity. FAILURE to register will result in not enough supplies for non-registered 4-H members to participate. 4-H Program information and registration procedures are posted monthly in the 4-H Newsletter, 4-H Website and on the 4-H Facebook page. For more information about 4-H contact the Extension Office at 270-298-7441.

4-H NEWSLETTER BY EMAIL OR MAIL: Get 4-H news faster. We will add you to our email list. Contact the Extension Office at 298-7441 or <a href="mailto:gdruin@uky.edu">gdruin@uky.edu</a> to sign up for the newsletter.

4-H WEBSITE: <a href="http://ces.ca.uky.edu.ohio/youthydev/">http://ces.ca.uky.edu.ohio/youthydev/</a> Visit our 4-H Website that will provide you with information about 4-H and links to Kentucky 4-H programs. You may also visit the Agriculture/Natural Resources and Family Consumer Sciences pages on the Cooperative Extension website.

4-H FACEBOOK: Visit our county 4-H Facebook page at Ohio Co 4-H KY Cooperative Extension.

Lexington, KY 40506



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https://ohio.ca.uky.edu/4h-youth-development

# 4-H EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

# OCTOBER

- 4-H Cloverbuds; 4:00-5:00 pm
- 7 4-H Expressive Arts ; 4:00-5:30 pm
- 9 4-H Fall Workshop; 3:30-5:00pm
- 4-H Teen Club: 3:30-4:30 pm4-H Chef Class: 4:00-5:00 pm
- 27 4-H Chef Class: 4:00-5:00 pm 27 4-H Horse Club: 6:00-7:00 pm
- 31 4-H Posters Due to Extension Office
- 31 2024-2025 4-H County Medal Forms Due

#### NOVEMBER

- 1 KY 4-H Achievement Forms Due
- 3 4-H Gardening; 4:00-5:00 pm
- 6 4-H Cloverbuds; 4:00-5:00 pm
- 11 4-H Expressive Arts; 4:00-5:30 pm
- 17 4-H Chefs Class; 4:00-5:00pm
- 19 4-H Teen Club; 3:30-4:30 pm
- 24 4-H Holiday Workshop; 4:00-5:00 pm
- 24 4-H Horse Club; 6:00 pm
- 28-29 Extension Office Closed Thanksgiving



#### DECEMBER

- 9 4-H Cloverbuds: 4:00-5:00 pm
- 11 4-H Holiday Workshop; 4:00-5:00 pm
- 17 4-H Teen Club; 3:30-4:30 pm
- 18 4-H Holiday Workshop; 4:00-4:30 pm
- 24-31 Extension Office Closed

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OFFICE HOURS: The Cooperative Extension Service – Ohio County Office is open 8:00 am-12:00 pm and 1:00-4:30 pm Monday through Friday. The office is closed from 12:00-1:00 pm each day and closed on weekends. The Cooperative Extension Service office is located at 1337 Clay Street in Hartford. Mailing address is P.O. Box 66 Hartford, KY 42347. Phone (270) 298-7441

KENTUCKY 4-H REQUIREMENT – To participate in 4-H Program, Clubs, Workshops, Day Camps, Conferences, etc. each participant must have a 2023-24 Personal Information Form on file completed by the 4-H youth's parent. at the Ohio County Extension Office. This includes Shooting Sports, Livestock, Chef, Teen, Cloverbuds Clubs, etc. 4-H School Clubs are not required to fill out the Personal Information Form.

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#### Who can join 4-H?

Cooperative Extension programs, including 4-H/Youth Development are open to all youth ages 9 (as of December 31,



2025) through age 18. In Camp, 4-H Workshops, etc.

Ohio County there are numerous ways youth can be involved in 4-H that include School clubs, community after-school clubs. 4-H



Congratulations to the 2025 Horticulture Judging Teams!

#### **KENTUCKY 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS STATE COMPETITION**

The 2025 State Shooting Sports Competition was held at the Bluegrass Sportsman League in Wilmore, Kentucky. The Ohio County Shooting Sports Team consisting of Max, Hansen,

Caden Leisure, Karina Leisure. Amzie Mattingly, Kyler Radcliff and Lily Smith. Amzie Mattingly (9-11) Placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in Air Rifle Sport, 3rd in Air Rifle



Target, and 16th in BB rifle

Kyler Radcliff (9-11) Placed 5th in Air Rifle Sport, 5th in Air Rifle Target, and 20th in BB rifle

Max Hanssen (9-11) Placed 7th in Air Rifle Sport, 4th in Air Rifle Target, 32 in BB rifle

Lily Smith (12-14) Placed 3rd in Air Rifle Sport, 6th in Air Rifle Target, 19th in BB Rifle

Caden Leisure (12-14) Placed 5th in Air Rifle Sport, 5th in Air Rifle Target, 13th in BB Rifle

Karina Leisure (15-18) Placed 4th in Air Rifle Sport, 9th in Air Rifle Target, 5th in BB Rifle

Congratulations to the Shooting Sports Team.

#### 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS - AIR RIFLE

- The 4-H Shooting Sports Club will meet in March at time to be determined at the Ohio County Park in Hartford Kentucky.
- The 4-H Shooting Sports Program in Kentucky is designed to reach youth firearm safety under the direction of a Kentucky 4-H Certified Shooting Sports Volunteer.
- For more information contact the Ohio County Extension Office at 270-298-7441.

#### 4-H EXPRESSIVE ARTS (Formally Art Club)



Meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 7 from 4:00-5:30 pm

- Learn various Art Techniques in completing 4-H Expressive Arts projects.
- Participants must

#### register for all meetings.

- For more information or to register please call 270-298-7441.
- Participant's parents must complete a 25-26 Personal Information enrollment form.

#### 4-H HORSE CLUB

Club will meet on Monday, October 27 and November 24@ 6:00 pm



• The 4-H Horse Program in Kentucky is designed to reach youth that have a passion for horses, whether the youth own a

horse or not. Members can be involved in a club. learn valuable horse skills, and make friends for

- State level 4-H event participation requires member to complete 6 hours of education.
- For more information contact the Extension Office at 270-298-7441.
- Participants' parents must complete a 25-26 Personal Information/Enrollment form.

#### 4-H TEEN CLUB

 Teens will meet on Wednesday, October 22 @ 3:30-4:30 pm



- The 4-H Teen club is for youth in grades 7-12.
- Teens develop leadership skills, practice community service and life skills.
- Interested teens must register by calling the Extension Office at 270-298-7441.
- Participants' parents must complete a 25-26 Personal Information/Enrollment form.

### 4-H CHEF CLASS (Formally Chef Club)

- Class Meets Monday, October 27 @ 4:00-5:00 p.m. MUST REGISTER TO ATTEND
- Learn how to follow a recipe, how to measure correctly, and prepare nutritional foods.
  - Participants must register for this meeting. To register please call 270-298-7441 or stop by the Extension Office located at 1337 Clay Street in Hartford. Class limited to 20 participants.
- Participants' parents must complete a 25-26 Personal Information/Enrollment form.

## 4-H GARDENING

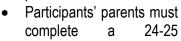
Participants will meet on Monday, November 3 @ 4:30-5:30 p.m.

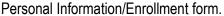


- Learn to grow and dry herbs and flowers by a variety of methods.
- Participants' parents must complete a 25-26 Personal Information/Enrollment form.
- For more information call 298-7441.

#### **4-H HORTICULTURE CLUB**

- Club meets on Wednesday, October 22 @ 4:30-5:30 p.m.
- Learn to identify/judge vegetables, flowers, fruits and nuts, and ornamental plants.





For more information call 298-7441.



#### 4-H CLOVERBUDS



- Cloverbud youth will meet Thursday October 1 AND Thursday November 6: 4:00-5:00 p.m.
- Youth ages 5-8 learn

about various aspects of 4-H activities

- Limited to 15 participants
- 25/26 Enrollment and Personal Information/Enrollment form must be submitted before meeting.
- Cloverbud fee is \$15 per year and includes all supplies for meeting, due before first meeting.
- One adult chaperone 16 years old or above must attend with their child.

## 2024 KENTUCKY 4-H ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM

(Due November 1) Motivation and the use of incentives are essential to positive youth development. 4-H Youth Development programs provide opportunities for creativity in a learn-by-doing environment and encourage youth to become involved in projects and activities. The 4-H Achievement Program recognizes 4-H participants who have outstanding accomplishments and provide an incentive for youth to increase their knowledge, skills, and abilities. The Achievement Program allows 4-H Youth to tell their 4-H Story start at age 9 up to a 4-H Member's current age. The 2024-2025 program year for submission will be the reporting of 4-H achievements that has occurred during their 4-H career. For more information contact Ohio County 4-H Youth Development programs at 270-298-7441. Completed Kentucky 4-H Achievement forms are due November 15 to the Ohio County Extension Office. For more information contact the Extension Office.

# 2024 YOUTH AGRICULTURAL INCENTIVE PROGRAM

**The Youth Agricultural Incentives Program** (YAIP) was developed to facilitate a growing need for a specialized program that would encourage youth to engage in and explore agricultural opportunities.

#### **Student Eligibility**

- Applicant shall be enrolled in elementary, middle, or high school, this includes home schooled students.
- 2. Applicant shall be at least 9 years of age by December 31, 2024.
  - Age is based on 4-H program entry age.
  - Program is not available for the Clover Bud age group of 4-8 years
  - County residency is not a requirement, but must be enrolled in Ohio County Schools.
- 3. Applicant shall provide their individual Social Security Number (SSN).
- 4. Applicant shall have parental consent if under the age

of 18. (See Parental Consent Section)

 Mentorship <u>is required</u> from one of the following types of organizations:

- a. 4-H Leader or Extension Agent
- b. FFA Leader or School Ag Teacher
- c. Other Agricultural Organization

Mentors shall be willing to provide consultation or assistance for the duration of the program.

# <u>AGRICULTURE PROJECT INVESTMENT AREAS</u> (Youth may select up to 2 Investment Areas)

- Agricultural Diversification
   Greenhouse, Horticulture, Hydroponics,
   Technology-Computer Software, Value-Added
   Marketing, Wildlife Management;
- Animal Production includes: Beef, Dairy, Equine, Goat, Sheep, Rabbit, Swine, Poultry, Bees, Livestock Barn;
- **Supervised Agriculture Experience** (SAE) includes: SAE project, Environmental project;
- Forage & Grain Improvement Seeding based on 2024 CAIP Approved Seed List
- Showmanship (Beef, dairy, equine, goat, sheep, swine, poultry, rabbit) Showmanship equipment & supplies, including a generator, Handling supplies & equipment

 Country Ham Projects - Ham purchase - Project supplies Cost of participation in a 4-H Country Ham Project

#### **Guidelines for Funding**

- Funding for all projects shall not exceed \$1000 per youth. Funding is based on eligible applicants.
- Reimbursements shall not exceed 50% of the total project cost for all eligible expenses.
- Projects must be complete with all requirements met before funds can be disbursed.
- No Cash receipts accepted. Bank and or Credit Card Statements required to be reimbursed.
- All investments are for the individual youth and shall not be a part of a larger school, organization or family operation.

• For more information and additional

guidelines see the 2024
Student Application
available at the Ohio
County Extension
Office located at 1337
Clay Street Hartford.



# YAIP APPLICATION & IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE!!!

YAIP Application paperwork must be submitted to the Ohio County Extension Office located at 1337 Clay Street Hartford by the absolute deadline of 12:00 pm on Friday October 17, 2025 for consideration of cost share funds. For complete guidelines, program application, and questions concerning this program, contact the Ohio County Cooperative Extension Service at (270) 298-7441 or Gary Druin, 4-H Youth Development Education – gdruin@uky.edu

# 4-H WORKSHOP— HOLIDAY SNOWMAN

When: Monday, November 24– 4:00-5:00 pm



- 2025-2026 4-H Personal information/enrollment form required.
- Workshop Limit: 25 youth.
- Cost: \$5.00 includes all supplies. Cash or personal Checks only.
- Registration Deadline: November
   14. Participants must pre-pay the workshop fee in person. Registrations will be accepted after the deadline, if spots are available.
- NO PHONE REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

## 4-H WORKSHOP - HOLIDAY SANTA

- When: Thursday, December 11-4:00-5:00 pm
- 2025-2026 4-H Personal information/enrollment form required.
- Workshop Limit: 25 youth.
- Cost: \$5.00 includes all supplies. Cash or personal Checks only.
- Registration Deadline: December 1. Participants must pre-pay the workshop fee in person. Registrations will be



accepted after the deadline, if spots are available.

• NO PHONE REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

#### 4-H WORKSHOP – MELTING SNOWMAN

- When: Thursday, December 18- 4:00-5:00 pm
- 2025-2026 4-H Personal information/enrollment form required.
- Workshop Limit: 25 youth.
- Cost: \$5.00 includes all supplies. Cash or personal Checks only.
- Registration Deadline: December 1.
   Participants must pre-pay the workshop fee in person.
   Registrations will be accepted after the deadline, if spots are available.



#### OHIO COUNTY FAIR 4-H CUPCAKE WARS

The 2025 version of 4-H Cupcake Wars was held at the Ohio County Fair. Myla Hitchell and Nora Camp were named Grand Champion with their Horse Barn Scene. Kate Vance and Addison Phillips were Reserve Champion with their Sesame Street display. The Charlie Crume received "Best Display" with her Campfire Smores. Hailee Johnson won "Most Original" with her gem cupcakes and Brynslee O'Neal received Best Design Skills award for her Spaghetti and Meatballs display. Receiving a blue ribbon were Shelby Horton, Kaylee Shaffer, Millie Shaffer, Olivia Robinson, Kate Porter and Ansley McHenry.





















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