

June 2017

Wayne County 4-H News

# The Link



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June is an exciting month for 4-H as our youth are getting fully engaged in their projects, club meetings, and countywide activities. Just looking at the 4-H calendar shows that nearly every day of our summer is packed full of 4-H opportunities. Your active involvement as club advisors, committee members, project leaders and volunteers is what makes our 4-H program possible. Thank you for your continued service to support 4-H!

Another great opportunity to support 4-H locally is our upcoming Wayne County 4-H Fun Fair on June 24<sup>th</sup> from 4-8 pm at the Wayne County Fairgrounds. There will be lots of fun carnival type games, raffles, a silent auction, delicious food and fun for all ages. There will even be a kiddie Tractor pull for both kids and adults. Game tickets are 5 for a dollar and raffle tickets are \$2 each or 6 for \$10.

The 4-H Fun Fair is a great opportunity for a family fun night while supporting our mission of positive youth development here in Wayne County. We are so grateful for the support of our business community in donating many wonderful baskets and items to be auctioned and raffled off and we also want to thank the many volunteers that have been working hard to plan and carry out this year's 4-H Fun Fair.

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for details about 4-H events!



## 4-H Raise Your Hand Campaign

The National 4-H Council has started a campaign for others to show their support to 4-H. This campaign is to help identify 4-H alumni and encourage their support for initiatives across the country. The campaign ends on June 30th and the states with the most hands raised wins a \$20,000, \$10,000 or \$5,000 reward for their local programs. That money will be used by the state 4-H office to support local 4-H programs. The state announced it is awarding the top counties with \$500 each for the most hands raised in June.

To support this campaign, go to <http://4-h.org/raise-your-hand/> and fill out a simple form. It is FREE and takes less than a minute to do. Then share the link on Facebook and Twitter to get the word out to everyone!

Not a 4-H alum? Just click the "no, I am not a 4-H Alum" option and contribute anyway!

The Ohio State University, The United States Department of Agriculture, and Wayne County Commissioners cooperating.

CFAES provides research and related educational programs to clientele on a nondiscriminatory basis. For more information: <http://go.osu.edu/cfaes.diversity>.

## June

05 Cloverbud Counselor Training  
05-07 Org. Advisors Pick Up Jr. Fair Entry Forms and Premium Books  
06-08 Cloverbud Day Camp  
06 Pleasure Horse Fun Show  
06 Dog Rally & Showmanship Clinic  
07 Junior Fair Board  
08-11 Food & Fashion Board NYC Trip  
10 Poultry / Rabbit Clinic  
12 4-H Advisory Committee  
12-14 Beginner Sewing Camp  
13 Contest Horse Fun Show  
15 Junior Camp Counselor Training  
17 Goat Clinic  
17 4-H PAS State Fair Qualifying Horse Show  
19 Senior Fair Board  
19-21 Beginner Sewing Camp  
**20 State Fair Livestock Entries Due**  
20 Food and Fashion Board  
20 Pleasure Horse Fun Show  
20 Dog Obedience Clinic  
24 Rain Make-up Date for PAS Horse Show (If needed)  
24 Wayne County 4-H Fun Fair



26 CARTEENS Class

27 Junior Camp Counselor Training

27 Contest Horse Fun Show

**29 - July 3 Wayne County 4-H Junior Camp at Camp Ohio**

## July

**04 Independence Day – Extension Office Closed**

05 Junior Fair Board

08-12 Ohio 4-H Sea Camp

09-13 Ohio 4-H Leadership Camp

09 Dairy Clinic

11 Pleasure Horse Fun Show

**13 FCS Project Judging**

**14 FCS Clothing Construction Judging**

17 Food and Fashion Board

**17 Early Still Project Judging**

17 Senior Fair Board

18 Contest Horse Fun Show

**18 Style Revue / State Fair Awards Program**

**20 Skillathon**

**24 Skillathon**

**25 Skillathon**

26-Aug. 6 Ohio State Fair

27, 31 Org. Advisors Turn-In Jr. Fair Entry Forms

31 CARTEENS Class

## Remember:

### Junior Leaders Year-End!

Thank you to all of the Junior Leaders for a great year! We look forward to meeting again in the fall. Anyone 13 and older can join.

### 4-H Project Completion:

The completion of a 4-H project is considered to be the interview at still project judgments, FCS project judgments, or the participation at Skillathon or project interview AND QA for livestock projects.

### Bikes for Kids



Now is a great time for your club to talk about in what community service projects they would like to participate. Approximate cost for one bike is \$65.00 and they are given to local children around Christmas time. If your club would like to

donate to bikes for kids, please make your donation to the Extension Office by September 30.

**Quality Assurance is a separate event from Skillathon this year.**

**Members must attend BOTH Skillathon and QA to show at the fair.**

### QA Frequently Asked Questions - Answered

- Members taking multiple animal projects only have to attend one QA event.
- Members must still complete Skillathon for each animal project.
- Members may attend any animal clinic offering QA even if they are not taking that project. (However, it is recommended they attend their project's clinic for valuable information.)
- If members attended an out of county QA event (Beef Expo, OSU Swine Day...) members must send/bring in proof of participation to the Extension office by August 1st.

## Upcoming Clinic Dates:

*\*Quality Assurance is offered at these clinics and you do not need to be in these projects to attend.*

Poultry & Rabbit Clinic - June 10 9:00 am - Noon - Fairgrounds

Goat Clinic - June 17 10:00 am - Noon - Fairgrounds

Dairy Clinic - July 9 7:00 pm - Fairgrounds



## Group Project Guidelines

Many clubs take one or two club or group projects during the year. In order to add some uniformity to those projects throughout the county, here are some guidelines to help you:

- 1) Involve your 4-H members in selecting your club project and in setting the goals for it.
- 2) You may purchase a project book/leader's guide for the club or for each member.
- 3) A club/group project must be more than a one-time activity. For example: cooking one meal outdoors is a club **activity**; cooking several meals outdoors, learning about food safety and fire safety, etc. is a club **project**.
- 4) Clubs taking group projects should follow the project guidelines for that project or suggest alternative guidelines and discuss that with the 4-H staff.
- 5) Group projects may be repeated more than one year if different goals and activities are planned each year. This is especially important if the project is taken two years in succession.
- 6) 4-H members should do most of the work on the project with guidance from advisors and parents.
- 7) Group projects should be evaluated by another club's advisor, another adult knowledgeable in that field, or one of our staff in order to be complete.
- 8) If clubs wish to display their group projects at the fair for premiums, they must (a) make a fair entry for the project on each individual's entry form and (b) have an individual or group exhibit of some type — not just a list of names on a poster.

## Ohio State Fair Information



### Jr Livestock Exhibitors

To enter the 2017 Ohio State Fair Jr. Livestock Competitions, go to the website and download the Division Rules and Competition Information. You must also download, fill out, and have the entry forms signed and postmarked by JUNE 20<sup>th</sup>. You will then send this entry form to the Ohio State Fair Entry Department. The Livestock Rules and Information is available online at <http://ohiostatefair.com/livestock>

There is also an online entry system available at <http://ohlive.fairmanager.com/>, this MUST also be entered by June 20<sup>th</sup>

### Signatures for State Fair Entries

Member must get a signature of the Extension Staff or Vo-Ag Educator. 4-H entries must have a 4-H Staff member's signature and FFA entries must have their Vo-Ag Educators signature.

### 4-H Handbook – Still and FCS Projects

The 4-H Handbook with non-livestock information is posted online. The handbook has 4-H exhibit information and State Fair Requirements that will be given to the 4-H member that is selected to go to State Fair in each class. This information is available at <http://go.osu.edu/OSFhandbook>

### Dog Exhibitors

Dog agility and dog show entries sent to the state fair must be postmarked JUNE 20.

Dog show poster contest sent to the Nationwide 4-H Center must be postmarked JULY 1.

### Poultry Exhibitors

Avian Bowl Contest sent to the Nationwide 4-H Center must be postmarked JULY 7. The contest will take place on August 5.

Poultry Judging Contest sent to the Nationwide 4-H Center must be postmarked JULY 7. Individuals and teams may enter.

## 4-H “ BACK TO SCHOOL DRIVE”

We know school just let out for most of you, but the 4-H Advisory Committee is once again sponsoring the 4-H Back to School drive to help support our communities. Wayne County 4-H clubs are encouraged to participate in this by collecting school supplies (markers, compasses, colored pencils, wide rule loose leaf paper, crayons, glue, etc.) at their summer club meetings.



Collections can be dropped off July 27th, 31st or August 1st from 3:00 pm - 7:00pm at the Jr. Fair Office. (Same time and place as Jr. Fair entries are due) All county 4-H clubs will have their items tallied and scored based on a percentage of club enrollments. This ensures all clubs have a fair chance of winning the 4-H Back to School Drive!. The winning club will get to have a pizza or ice cream party sponsored by the 4-H Committee.



## 4-H Families Interested in Camping at the 2017 Wayne County Fair?

You must apply for a camping permit. Camping fees are \$125 per unit for all 6 days of the fair. Forms and payment should be submitted to the Senior Fair Board office. Registration forms are due August 19, 2017. More information and the registration form is available on the fair website at:

<http://waynecountyfairohio.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/03/2017-4-H-camping-registration.pdf>

## Earn Fabulous Prizes for your 4-H Club

Has your club been actively keeping track of points and filling in the new Wayne County 4-H STAR Club award form. This is a great activity for club officers to do. Clubs should earn at least 1,350 points out of more than 2,700 available points to earn this standard of excellence. Download the form at [go.osu.edu/starclub](http://go.osu.edu/starclub) and start keeping track of your club's activities and points today. Star Club Award applications will be due September 30<sup>th</sup> and fabulous prizes will be awarded at the 4-H Recognition Banquet in November.

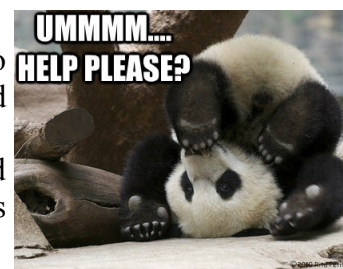
## Group Medical Insurance For Only \$1.00/Person/Year!

4-H and American Income Life Insurance Company have partnered for nearly 60 years to provide blanket group activity insurance for 4-H clubs, summer camps, competitions, field trips and other youth and adult programs sponsored by the Cooperative Extension Service. When a young person is injured or becomes ill, our policies pay first, regardless of other insurance. Remember to submit your coverage request **before** your activity begins.

## Together Everyone Achieves More!

September 19th will be a fun way to give back to our community and our fair! From 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. we will be asking all club advisors, members, parents, committees and junior and senior fair board to join together at the fairgrounds to do a post fair clean-up!

We are looking for all ages as there will be jobs of all sorts! Pizza and drink will be served immediately following in the junior fair building. So please put the date on your club's calendar and plan to join the fun!



## Junior Fair Office Hours

### PICK UP PREMIUM BOOKS AND ENTRY FORMS

Monday, June 5      3:00 - 7:00 p.m.  
Tuesday, June 6      3:00 - 7:00 p.m.  
Wednesday, June 7      3:00 - 7:00 p.m.

### TURN IN ENTRY FORMS

Thursday, July 27      3:00 - 7:00 p.m.  
Monday, July 31      3:00 - 7:00 p.m.  
Tuesday, August 1      3:00 - 7:00 p.m.

### FAIR PASS/SHOW NUMBER PICK-UP

Tuesday, August 29      3:00 - 7:00 p.m.  
Thursday, August 31      3:00 - 7:00 p.m.  
Friday, Sept. 8      9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

### PREMIUM REPORT PICK-UP

Friday, September 15      9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

### PREMIUM CHECK PICK-UP

Monday, September 25      3:00 - 7:00 p.m.  
Tuesday, September 26      3:00 - 7:00 p.m.

## Sheep Carcass Update

Since the wrap up of the 2016 fair, the sheep committee has been working on details to get the Sheep Carcass Contest up and going. It was a challenge trying to find a local facility that could work us into their schedule! At this time we want to say Thank You to Boliantz Packing of Ashland for agreeing to host our 2017 Sheep Carcass Contest!

Important Details for the contest:

- Lambs must be tagged in at the June 3<sup>rd</sup> Tag-in to be eligible to show at the carcass contest
- Carcass lamb must be entered on a Jr. Fair entry and turned in by August 1st (only one lamb may compete in Carcass Contest). Make Jr Fair entry in Department 24 Section 538 Class 3.
- Only the Champion & Reserve Champion carcasses will be sold at the Wayne County Fair live lamb sale on Wednesday September 13th . All other lambs must either find their own buyer or keep the meat.
- All meat will be processed by Boliantz to a set standard retail cut order.

For more information visit <http://wayne.osu.edu/projectinfo>

## FCS and Still Project Requirements

In just over a month project judging will start! Please make sure you check out the requirements for judging and the fair before you get there! The guidelines are all available online at <http://wayne.osu.edu/projectinfo> .

FCS Judging Dates:

<b>July 13, 2017</b>	<b>“Early Bird” FCS Project Judging</b> - 4:30 - 8:30 p.m. at the Fisher Auditorium, OARDC Campus. To be eligible for State Fair selection, members must participate in this event.
<b>July 14, 2017</b>	<b>Construction Judging</b> - 9 am – Noon at the Fisher Auditorium, OARDC Campus. Members must leave their garment the night of July 13 in the conference room to be judged the next day. (Room will be locked. No members or parents are permitted at judging) <b>Garment Pickup will be 1 -3 pm.</b> Member can come pick up their garments that afternoon or during Still Project Judging July 17, 2017 from 7-8:30 pm.
<b>July 18, 2017</b>	<b>Style Revue &amp; 4-H Awards Program</b> - 7:00 p.m. at Fisher Auditorium, OARDC. Family & friends are invited to see 4-H members model their clothing projects. Construction Award winners and State Fair representatives in all FCS & Still project areas will be announced at this event. Participating members must be registered by 6:50 PM
<b>August 8, 2017</b>	<b>“Last Chance” FCS Project Judging</b> - 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. at Wayne County Fairgrounds. For members not interested in or unable to participate in the July judging events.

Still Project Judging Dates

<b>July 17, 2017</b>	<b>“Early Bird” Still Project Judging</b> - 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. at Fisher Auditorium, OARDC Campus. Must participate in this event to be eligible receive the ability to represent Wayne County at the State Fair.
<b>August 8, 2017</b>	<b>“Last Chance” Still Project Judging</b> – 6:00-9:00 pm at the Wayne County Fairgrounds. This event is for member not interested or unavailable to participate in the July Judging events.

E-Poster Requirements:

If you plans to create an e-poster (computer based presentation) you must supply your own laptop or tablet. The presentation can be no longer than 15 slide advancements. And for the fair display you will then take a representation of your slides and make a 22”x28” poster to be displayed.

Food and Nutrition Projects:

A common oversight for project judging is creating a meal plan for the entire day. As always you should prepare a dish/meal out of your book, additionally bring a presentation folder or E-poster, your project book, a table setting (for the meal at which your dish is served) and a menu plan. The portion that is often overlooked is the creation of a complete menu plan for 1 day.



For example if you are taking the Star Spangled Foods project and bring the Wild West Burger to judging, you must then create a list of food you will eat for an entire day. And make sure to follow the My Plate criteria for serving sizes and categories to make a nutritious daily meal pan. To see an example of the menu or a proper table setting visit <http://wayne.osu.edu/projectinfo> .



## Dog Events

*June 6 @ 7 p.m.* - Dog Rally and Showmanship Clinic - Bring your dog to practice.

*June 20 @ 7 p.m.* - Dog Obedience Clinic - Bring your dog to practice.

*June 20* - State Fair Dog Show Entries Due to Ohio State Fair, State Fair Agility Entries Due to State 4-H Office.

*July 1* - State Fair Dog Show Poster Contest Entries due to State 4-H Office

*July 17 @ 7:00 p.m.* - Small Animal Project Judging - Fisher Auditorium/OARDC

Check the project guidelines at [wayne.osu.edu/projectinfo](http://wayne.osu.edu/projectinfo) for more details.

## Horse Projects

Horse Youth of the Year Awards Applications are Due to the Extension Office by 4:30 pm August 1<sup>st</sup> – scoring criteria and the application are available on our website at [wayne.osu.edu/projectinfo](http://wayne.osu.edu/projectinfo) under the Horse section.

## Rabbit Projects

Rabbit Tattooing - All breeding and pet rabbits must be tattooed prior to entering the fair. To help members get their rabbits tattooed, the committee members will have their tattooing supplies at both summer clinics and by appointment. Many rabbit breeders also have the equipment and you can ask them to tattoo your animals. This should be done in the animal's LEFT ear. Market Rabbits will be tattooed during check-in at the fair.

## Poultry Projects

Duck orders will be due **June 15** for pick up on July 13<sup>th</sup>. Exhibitors are responsible for making their own orders with Centerra Co-op at the Wooster location; they will not turn in orders to the Extension Office. Forms can be found at: [go.osu.edu/DuckOrder17](http://go.osu.edu/DuckOrder17)

The chick peeps will be ordered by the Extension Office in June. To place the order, fill out the online survey at [go.osu.edu/2017peeps](http://go.osu.edu/2017peeps) by **June 12th**. We ask each club or chapter make ONE order, but understand individual orders may be necessary. Pick-up date and cost for a set of 12 birds will be determined once all orders are placed and bulk discount is determined.

Poultry Resources can be found at [wayne.osu.edu/projectinfo](http://wayne.osu.edu/projectinfo) since there is not a resource book to supplement the record book. The "old" poultry project books on the website offer great resources and study materials for skillathon.

## NEW! Livestock Interview Judging

We've been looking at new ways to encourage exhibitors to learn about their projects while developing essential skills for success down the road. This year livestock exhibitors will have the option to participate in a trial project interview judging *in place of* Skillathon. Judging will take place during Still Project judging in July (17<sup>th</sup>) and August (8<sup>th</sup>) and will consist of a one-on-one interview with a knowledgeable judge and grading of the Project Record Book.

Those who wish to participate must pre-register ahead of time. We will only be taking a limited number of exhibitors, on a first-come first-serve basis. The registration window is open and there is still room available. Sign up is online only by completing the form at: [go.osu.edu/2017livestockinterviews](http://go.osu.edu/2017livestockinterviews)

Please note that although you may do an interview in lieu of skillathon, your interview score will not be considered as part of the "Outstanding Market Exhibitor" score for Swine or Beef, or "Outstanding Dairy Exhibitor" in the Dairy Department. You must do skillathon in Wayne County if you're looking to compete in these programs. Exhibitors may choose to complete skillathon for one species and an interview for another.

## Skillathon Volunteers Needed

Your help is greatly needed to make the Skillathons successful learning experiences for the youth. If you are able to help on July 20, 24 or 25, you can complete a survey online ([go.osu.edu/wayneskillathon17](http://go.osu.edu/wayneskillathon17)) or stop into the office and fill out a form to indicate your availability and preferences. If you feel you don't have enough expertise about animals, no worries - we have simple instructions and leaders to help you!

# Possible Skillathon Stations to Study for 2017

Thursday, July 20 7:00 – 9:00 PM Registration at 6:30 p.m.

Monday, July 24 7:00 – 9:00 PM Registration at 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, July 25 7:00 – 9:00 PM Registration at 6:30 p.m.

Fisher Auditorium - OARDC

## Poultry

- Project Record Book
- Parts ID
- Feed ID
- Meat Cuts
- Medication Label & Insert
- Project Interview
- Brooder Management

## Beef

- Project Record Book
- Parts ID
- Feed ID
- Feet and Leg Structure
- Halter & Tie
- Stomach Parts
- Meat Cuts — Retail, Wholesale

## Horse

- Project Record Book
- Feed & Hay ID
- Body Scoring
- Bridle Assembly with Bits
- Project Interview
- Hoof Care

## Sheep

- Project Record Book
- Feet & Leg Structure/Hoof Care
- Interview
- Feed ID/Nutrient Groups
- Breed ID
- Lamb Evaluation/Meat Cut ID/Halter
- Medication Insert

## Dairy

- Project Record Book
- Sire Directories and Selection
- Parts ID
- Mammary Health
- Feed ID
- Reproductive Management
- Evaluating your Animal
- **BRING PICTURE OF YOUR PROJECT ANIMAL!**
- Project Interview
- Halter & Tie

## Rabbit

- Project Record Book
- Parts ID
- Reading Pedigrees
- Body Types and Breeds
- Health Conditions
- Rabbit Vocabulary
- Breed ID
- Market Questions/Meat Cut ID
- Medication Label

## Goats

- Project Record Book
- Health Conditions
- Medication Insert
- Parts ID
- Breed ID
- Feed ID
- Hoof Care

## Swine

- Project Record Book
- Wholesale Meat Cuts
- Medication Insert
- Breed ID
- Feed ID/Nutrient Groups
- Swine Health Situations
- Retail Meat Cuts
- Ear Notch
- Project Interview

## Dog

- Project Record Book - Jr./Int./Sr.
- Breed ID - Jr./Int./Sr.
- Internal Parasites- Jr./Int./Sr.
- External Anatomy - Jr./Int./Sr.
- Health and parasites - Jr./Int./Sr.
- Feed Tag - Jr./Int./Sr.

**2017 LIVESTOCK QA/SKILLATHON CLUB SCHEDULE  
FISHER AUDITORIUM - OARDC**

**Thursday, July 20 7:00 – 9:00 PM**

**7:00 p.m.**

Carhart Kids  
Country Acres  
Dalton Equestrians  
Hoof Beats  
Madisonburg Pioneers  
Milton Country Clovers  
Northwestern Neighbors  
Sugar Creek Gang  
Wayne County Cousins

**8:00 p.m.**

Apple Creek Wide Awake  
Basically Bovine  
Bounty Hunters  
Canaan Country Cousins  
Canaan Hoof 'n' Hide  
City Kidz  
Clinton Lads & Lassies  
Cream of the Crop

**Monday, July 24 7:00 – 9:00 PM**

**7:00 p.m.**

Blachleyville 4-H  
Equitation Station  
Horses R Us  
Pegasus  
Smithie Whiz Kids  
Smithville Simmer & Sew  
Springville Country Club

**8:00 p.m.**

Baughman Guys & Gals  
Blachleyville 4-H  
Buckeye Show & Grow  
Country Strong  
Jefferson Pioneers  
Shenanigans  
Valley College

**Tuesday, July 25 7:00 - 9:00 PM**

**7:00 p.m.**

Buckeye Bunch  
Horseman's Hangout  
Milton Shamrocks  
Springville Cowpokes  
Sterling 604 Rangers  
Wayne County Hoof 'n' Hide  
West End Rowdy Ranglers  
Wrangler Kids

**8:00 p.m.**

Burbank Livestock  
Congress 4-H Power  
Dalton-Kidron Big 4  
Ewenique Critters  
Hearts and Hooves  
Howling Coyotes  
Wayne Aces

**SKILLATHON INFO**

- Skillathon must be completed at the Ohio State Fair **OR** the Wayne county events above to be eligible to show at the Wayne County Fair.
- ***There is no makeup date. Members must participate in one of the three dates listed above.***
- If a family or member cannot come on the club's scheduled date, they may come on one of the other dates.
- **If participating in the Ohio State Fair, you must bring documentation of completion into the office no later than 3 days after the event at the Ohio State Fair.**
- *There will be a reader available for those children who are more comfortable having assistance. Please let us know at registration.*
- *There will be a Skillathon session for those with special needs—contact the office for more information.*



**Saturday, June 24, 2017**

**Wayne County Fairgrounds—Wooster, OH**

4:00-8:00PM	Games, prizes, music, food, silent auction, Chinese raffle, petting zoo, pony rides, cornhole tournament
6:00PM	Pedal Pull—all ages (registration ends at 6:00PM)
8:15PM	Raffle drawing

**CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT:** More details and Early Bird online registration at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/wayne-county-4-h-fun-fair-cornhole-tournament-tickets-34994457364>. \$20 per team online only. \$30 per team at the event. Payout—50% of total entry fees.

**RAFFLE & SILENT AUCTION:** Kalahari Getaway for 6 People; Grill & Meat Package; 40" TV; plus many baskets in the raffle! Tickets are \$2 each or 6 for \$10. Sneak preview of the raffle & auction will be Friday, June 23 from 6-8PM at the Fairgrounds. Come check out the prizes & bid early on the Silent Auction if you can't make it Saturday! MANY nice items have been donated! There will be staggered ending times, so be sure to bid often!

We are still looking for clubs to volunteer to run games—please call or text Jen Norman at 330 -201-4189 or email [jnorm1014@gmail.com](mailto:jnorm1014@gmail.com) if you or your club can help!

"Like" our Facebook event page for more details and a preview of the Raffle prizes and Silent Auction items!!

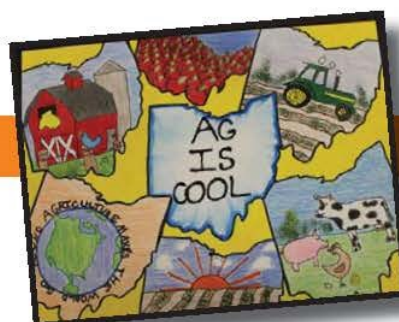
# Agriculture is COOL!

The Ohio Department of Agriculture, Ohio Farm Bureau, Ohio State Fair and the buckeye state's agricultural commodity groups are again sponsoring the "Agriculture is Cool" program at the Ohio State Fair complete with exciting interactive stations like the opportunity to milk a cow!

There are several great ways to participate:

## K-12 Students

Students of all ages can participate in Ohio's Agriculture is Cool! Creative Expression Contest. Just paint a picture, make a video, take a picture, or submit a creative illustration of why YOU think Ohio agriculture is cool! Win some cool stuff and get into the Ohio State Fair for FREE!



## 4th Graders

To see what makes agriculture cool, students in the fourth grade during the 2016-2017 academic year and a chaperone can attend the Fair any one day for free simply by presenting their report card at the entry gate. Better yet? Participants can win one of four \$500 scholarships by writing an essay about what they learned.

For more information, registration forms or rules, go to [www.ohioagriculture.gov](http://www.ohioagriculture.gov) and click the "Agriculture is Cool!" logo at the bottom of the page, call 614.466.8798, or email [panda@agri.ohio.gov](mailto:panda@agri.ohio.gov)

