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Lorain County 4-H



Making the Best Better since 1902



About 4-H:

4-H is a non-formal educational youth development program offered to individuals ages 5-18 as of January 1st. Through your county program youth can take projects such as animals, public speaking, cooking, art, woodworking, gardening, nature, science and many more.

No matter the project chosen 4-H focus on active involvement and quality experiences that stimulate lifelong values, skills and friendships.

Pledge

I pledge
My <u>head</u> to clearer thinking,
My <u>heart</u> to greater loyalty,
My <u>hands</u> to larger service, and
My <u>health</u> to better living,
For my club, my community, my
country, and my world.

Motto

To Make the Best Better

How to join 4-H:

- 1. Contact the office 440-326-5851
- 2. The office will give you a list of clubs and contacts of the clubs.
- 3. Visit a few club meetings to see what club is best fit for you.
- 4. Pick the project you're most interested.
- Enroll in 4-H Online by that current year's deadline (typically, April 15th)
- 6. Have fun!



County Programs

4-H PetPALS

County/State Fair

Camps

CARTEENS

Cloverbuds

Clover CODE

Ohio Military Kids

Shooting Sports

County Events

Animal Skillathon

Livestock Judging Team; Dairy, Horse, Poultry and Rabbit

New Family Orientation

Officer & Advisor Training

Public Speaking Contest

4-H Leadership

Advisory Board

Educational Board

Endowment Board

Junior Fair Board

Teen Ambassador

Cloverbud & Project Member Differences:

Cloverbuds beging for youth age 5 and in kindergarten. Eligibility for project membership starts when a child is age 8 and in the 3rd grade.

Individual Projects

With hundreds of individual projects, 4-H has something for everyone!

4-H Project Areas:

Family and Consumer Science (FCS)
FCS projects consist of Clothing, Textiles,
Foods, Nutrition, Home Environment,
Knitting and Crocheting.

Ag/Still-Life

Home Living, Leadership/Citizenship, Natural Resources, Science Technology Engineering and Math, Natural Resources, Shooting Sports and Self-Determined projects are just a few Ag/Still-Life projects.

Livestock

Cattle, Hogs, Horses, Sheep, Goats, Rabbits, Chickens, even Dogs and Cats can be a project. Even if you don't have a animal you're still able to take livestock projects as posters to show what you learned.





Other opportunities Lorain County offers:

Shooting Sports

Youth learn marksmanship, the safe and responsible use of firearms, the principles of hunting and archery.

Camps

We offer 4 different summer camps. Cloverbud (age 5-9), Junior Day Camp (age 9-13), Sewing Camp (age 9-13) and Kelleys Island Camp (age 9-13). Older youth, 13 and older are also able to be camp counselors!

Teen Ambassador

Youth 12-19 will be given the opportunity to expand their knowledge in their area of choice at the state level. They will also learn teamwork, leadership and communication skills.

Public Speaking

We offer 3 different contest opportunities, Health and Safety, Talk or Demonstration and 4-H Pledge and Creed.

Other opportunities continued:

Animal Schools

Animal School provides a safe, fun, and hands-on opportunity for 4-H animal project members with their animals. Youth will gain knowledge and skills from well-respected and approved experts in various Interest Areas. Interest areas will rotate each year.

Junior Fair Board

The Junior Fair Board is responsible for establishing exhibit classes and rules for the Jr. Fair. They organize, prepare for, and conduct the activities of the Jr. Fair. They are active from January through November. Youth must be 15 years of age on January 1 and not turn 19 before January 1 and be a member of Lorain County 4-H, FFA, FFCLA, Farm Bureau Youth, or Campfire USA.

Scholarships

Not only do we offer scholarships for student continuing their education but camp scholarships as well. Check out our website for more information.

District, State and National Opportunities also available.

Cost:

There is a \$15 county member fee per year. There can be other cost such as project books (\$8.00 not including sales tax), 4-H Camps, club dues and project supplies. The cost depends on how active you chose to be!

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