



Clover Communicator


Lorain County - Where 4-H is Great!

March 2025

MARCH

- 1 Online scholarship application goes live
- 3 Staff Meeting, Office closed in the morning (AG)
- 4 New Volunteer Orientation 6:00 pm (AC)
- 6 4-H Open House 6:00 pm (NRTL)
- 11 Sr. Fair Board 7:30 pm (FG)
- 12 AQCA 6:00 pm (Medina FG)
- 17 4-H Educational Board 6:30 pm (AC)
- 18 AQCA Test-out (Medina CES office)
- 19 4-H Advisory Board 6:30 pm (AC)
- 20 4-H Endowment Board 6:30 pm (AC)
- 27 Jr. Fair Board 7:00 pm (FG)
- 29 Shooting Sports Open House (TBD)

APRIL

- 1 Early Enrollment Deadline for Banner Club points
- 7 OSUE Office closed in the morning, Staff Meeting
AQCA 6:00 pm (NRTL)
- 8 Sr. Fair Board 7:30 pm (FG)
- 9 4-H Officer & Volunteer Training 6:00 pm (JVS)
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Complete 2025 Calendar

Please note the revised date at the bottom right-hand corner of the second page.

April 15th is 4-H Deadline Day!!

The following are due:

- 4-H Online Enrollments
- 4-H Camp Scholarships
- 4-H Endowment Grant Applications
- Lorain County Academic Scholarship Applications



Notes from Jacki



Beyond Ready

We are just over a month away from the end of our regular enrollment period! How are we doing so far?

Enrollments:

Incomplete (started not finished)	76
Awaiting BCI Review	60
Awaiting Review by 4-H Org leaders	403
Approved	149
Total as of March 2, 2025	688

If you are included in this number-thank you and congratulations!!! If you have not enrolled yet-there is still time!

Regular enrollment ends April 15th. Please be sure that you have completed online enrollment, chosen your 4-H projects for the year, submitted 4-H project forms (horse, dog, etc.), and paid your \$15 member participation fee to your 4-H Club organizational leader.

Don't forget-if your club would like to apply for [banner club](#)-you receive extra points if your members are registered by April 1st!!

I wish all of you a beautiful March!

Jacquelin L. Bacon

Thank you to the following Lorain County 4-H supporters. It is the generosity from organizations such as yours that ensures *Lorain County 4-H is Great!*





Beyond Ready

Headline News

We're Beyond Ready for Ohio 4-H Week!

Ohio 4-H Week is happening right now and Lorain County 4-H is Beyond Ready! Join us as we celebrate the impact of 4-H and recognize the youth, volunteers, professionals, and friends who help Lorain County 4-H thrive.

Whether 4-H'ers are learning a new skill, challenging themselves at camp, or taking on an exciting leadership opportunity, we know 4-H helps prepare our youth to be Beyond Ready for work and life. Data from a Tufts University study shows that compared to their peers 4-H members are:

- 2X more likely to have the goal of being a leader
- 3X more likely to participate in community service
- 2X more likely to report living life with intentionality and purpose

Ohio 4-H is excited to join our national partners across the land-grant system in promoting the initiative to grow from reaching 6 million youth annually to 10 million youth across the nation. With this ambitious goal, we can ensure that even more youth will be Beyond Ready for their future – in school, in work, in life – with the support of the 4-H community. The road ahead may be challenging for our youth in this rapidly changing world but 4-H'ers are succeeding.

You can get into the spirit of Ohio 4-H Week and ensure that the youth in your life are Beyond Ready for anything the future holds by completing your online enrollment for the 2025 4-H program year today. Through 4-H, youth participate in hands-on, experiential learning activities that help them grow into caring, competent, confident leaders of tomorrow, all while having fun and forming friendships that will last a lifetime!

We are building a ready generation in a world of change by offering opportunities and experiences that shape youth into their full, authentic selves, enabling them to shine both now and in the future. With your support, we equip youth with skills for the future while meeting them where they are today.

To learn more about how to get started in 4-H, visit lorain.osu.edu and click on 4-H Youth Development. There, you can find information about the various community clubs in our County and learn how to select a project. Enrollment can be completed on [4-H Online](#) through April 15. Please contact Jacki Baca at baca.30@osu.edu or 440-326-5851] with any questions.

Finally, don't forget to show your support for Lorain County 4-H by making a gift to our [Endowment fund](#)! All donations directly support Lorain County 4-H programming so even more kids can be Beyond Ready.



Help us celebrate Ohio 4-H Week!!

March 2-8, 2025!!



Celebrate 4-H all week by:

- Participating in Daily Challenges
- Posting or commenting on Club and County Face Book pages
- Attending Thursday night's 4-H Open House at New Russia Township Lodge

 **Ohio 4-H Week** 
March 2-8

Service Sunday
4-H Memory Monday
Teamwork Tuesday
Wear Green
Wednesday
Thriving Thursday
Pay It Forward Friday
Share It Saturday

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All About 4-H!

Join Lorain County Advisory Board for the annual 4-H Open House and learn about all the different opportunities within 4-H and supporting organizations.

MARCH 6, 2025

6PM - 8PM

New Russia Township Lodge

46300 Butternut Ridge Rd

Oberlin, OH 44074



Free come and go event! Come learn more about...

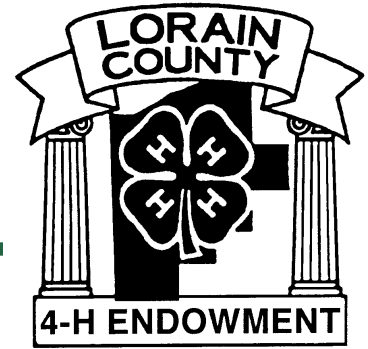
- Advisory Board
- Educational Board
- Endowment Board
- Junior Fair Board
- Livestock Sales Committee
- Cloverbuds
- Summer Camps
- County Extension
- STEM
- Poster Projects
- State Fair
- Public Speaking
- First Year Experience
- Skillathon
- FCS
- Club Fundraising

For more information about Lorain County 4-H contact the OSU Extension office.

Phone: 440-326-5851

Website: lorain.osu.edu, click on 4-H Youth Development

County News



4-H Endowment Board

4-H Endowment Annual Fundraiser Update

What a wonderful evening of food, fun, friends, and raising fund to support Lorain County 4-H! Thank you to all who joined in the celebration and supported the evening.

Tentative numbers indicate that over **\$30,000** was raised! This board just hit another record number! These funds are used towards grants, camp scholarships, and academic scholarships. If you or someone you know is interested in applying for endowment funds- applications for the next cycle of grants and scholarships are due April 15th.

A HUGE thank you to our 4-H Endowment Board for their hard work and dedication put forth towards this event and continuous support of Lorain County 4-H!



Pictured above left to right:

Front Row: Karen Bremke, Cheri Heffernen, Chelsea Schoch, Christina Rogers, Marleena Scott, Julie Adkins, Lynette Szewczyk Thomson, Stephanie Thompson, Lydia Fox, and Donna Kearns

Back Row: Beth Clegg, Renee Tollett, Alan Thompson, and Lad Harrison



Beyond Ready

County News

4-H Club Officer Training

4-H Club Officers and any youth interested in running for a club officer position will have one more in-person opportunity to learn more about these fun and important leadership positions!

Thursday, April 9, 2025, 6:00-8:00 pm at the Lorain County JVS

Training will offer youth to attend the following:

- Annual 4-H Update
- Ice Breakers & Teambuilding Activities
- Club Officer Workshop

To register for this year's training please [click here](#) to be directed to our online registration.

Volunteer Training

Lorain County 4-H volunteers must complete a minimum of two training hours per year. Check out all the great opportunities to meet this requirement and gain new ideas for your 4-H Club! Training hours must be completed by the enrollment deadline- April 15, 2025.

New volunteers MUST attend a New Volunteer Orientation (NVO), Youth Activities & Programs (Policy 1.50), AND the 4-H Update.

Returning volunteers MUST attend a minimum of two hours of training that includes the 4-H Update and Youth Activities & Programs (Policy 1.50).

All training hours must be completed by April 15, 2025.

To view remaining dates and to register for this year's training please [click here](#) to be directed to our online registration.



Assuring Quality Care of Animals- AQCA

Any youth exhibiting AND housing an animal at the Lorain County Jr. fair is REQUIRED to attend an Assuring Quality Care of Animals (AQCA) program.

Deadline to meet this requirement is June 1, 2025.

The Assuring Quality Care of Animals (AQCA) program teaches youth the ten [Good Production Practices](#) (GPP'S). GPP's are on a three-year rotation. A youth member will have completed all ten GPP's if they attend three years of programming consecutively. While the GPP's are directly targeting market and lactating animals, most of the information taught is directly related to care for all animals.

How may I meet the 2025 AQCA Requirements?

1. Test-out option
2. [In-person simulation event](#)
3. Online [YQCA course](#)
4. Attend an approved state program.



It is recommended that youth with fewer than three years completed in an animal project attend the in-person training.

What can I expect from the in-person AQCA program?

Registration is online. Each session is limited to 150 youth. www.go.osu.edu/2025aqca

Fee The in-person program is free!!

Check-in Youth will check-in upon arrival at the session and receive their activity form. YOUTH MUST BE REGISTERED TO PARTICIPATE.

Participation Youth will rotate through hands-on stations **with a group leader.** The group leader and station facilitators provide direction and assist youth in completing the task required at each station.

Completion Once all stations are completed, and dependent on youth's age and experience with animal project, youth use their activity form to complete a final worksheet. Completed activity forms and final worksheet will be turned in for proof of completion. AQCA completion certificates will be e-mailed this year!!!

For a list of remaining simulation dates, visit our [website](#)
Lorain.osu.edu >4-H Youth Development>Quality Assurance



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Club News

2025 Enrollment

The deadline will be here before we know it! The online 4-H enrollment system is open for all to begin enrollment or re-enrollment. <http://v2.4honline.com>

If you have been in 4-H before, you are Re-Enrolling and DO NOT need to create a new profile. Be sure to log-in using the e-mail you utilize for 4-H communication and your password. If you do not remember your password, simply click on the *Reset password?* option. If you are transferring from another county or State, please contact the Lorain County OSU Extension Office.

If you are new to 4-H, you are Enrolling. Be sure to click on the *Don't have an account?* option and follow the screen prompts.

You may also refer to our [4-H Online Brief Guide for families](#) if you would like the step-by-step process.

Add/Drop Projects or other edits

Once you submit your enrollment, you may not make changes to your projects. However, we understand a lot can happen between January- when enrollment opens, and April- when regular enrollment closes.

To add or drop a 4-H project or between February and April 10th- please call the office or e-mail baca.30@osu.edu and request your enrollment request be returned. You will receive an e-mail that your request has been returned, then you may login to adjust and resubmit the enrollment request.

Any project changes after April 10th must be submitted to your 4-H Club Organizational Leader.

Club Organizational Leaders

You must re-enroll before you will be able to view your club's profile! Please use the club code that you received last year. If you do not have your club code, call or e-mail our office for assistance.





Club News

Project Guides

Project Guides are a fantastic resource for information on all things Ohio 4-H! These will arrive in all returning 4-H family mailboxes in December/January!! Additional copies are available at the 4-H office.

Project Books

May be ordered several ways:

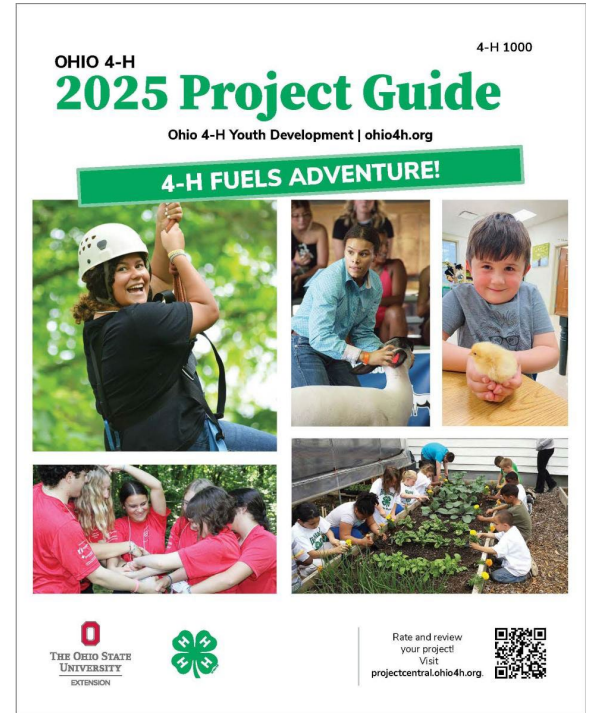
- **Orders placed online** mailed directly to family address.
- **Purchase directly from our office**
- **Club orders placed through our office.** Clubs may submit an order to our office by completing the [project order form](#). (Must pay with a club check to receive tax exemption)

Direct purchases from our office is the best price AND our office receives a portion of the sale.

4-H Project Skill Level Codes

Pages 34-38 of the Project Guide provides a complete list of 4-H projects. Please, note, each project is targeted towards skill level and age and experience level.

- X = A project appropriate for all skill and age levels
- B = A beginning level project for members with no experience in project area, or 8 to 10 years old
- I – An intermediate level project for members with some experience in project area, or 11 to 13
- A = An advanced level project for members experienced in a project area, or 14 or older



Project Book Prices

From our office:

Project Books-

Generally, \$9.00 each plus tax

Resource Books-

Range from \$11 - \$22 plus tax

All prices can be found listed in the 2025 Project Guide. Click on the picture of the guide above to view this year's guide.



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Club News

Club Charters

All 4-H Clubs must turn in the following paperwork by April 15!!
Missing this deadline places your annual club charter on hold.

Members of 4-H Clubs on hold may not enroll in any county-level events (camp, schools, fair, etc.)

Member Items (to be turned into your 4-H Club Org Leader)

- Specific Project Forms (Horse, Dog, Leased breeding animals)
- Membership Fee for all members-\$15 per youth member

Club Items

- Current 2025 [Activities calendar](#)
- [2024 Charter Checklist](#)
- [Current Constitution](#) and [By-laws](#)
- \$25 Club Activity Fee

Paperwork to be kept in your 4-H Club files

Clubs should have the current year + four years of past documents in your files

- Club Constitution & By-laws (must also have one on file at the Extension office)
- List of current members (Roster may be printed from 4-H Online)
- Meeting Calendar(s) (should also have one on file at the Extension office)
- Meeting Minutes (kept by secretary, treasurer and 4-H Org Leader should also have a copy)
- Financial Records (kept by treasurer, 4-H Org Leader should also have a copy)
 - Annual Financial Report
 - Banking Documentation
 - Budget Planning
 - All Audit Results (Internal & County Audits)
 - Accounts payable documentation (invoices and receipts)
- Current Ohio 4-H Health Form for each member and volunteer

Board Updates



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4-H Advisory Board

4-H Club Recruitment Materials

Is your club interested in hosting a local recruitment event? Don't forget to contact the Extension office to request items to share with prospective families!

- 2025 4-H Project Guides
- New Family Packet
- 4-H brochures
- Yard Signs!!

The next 4-H Advisory Board meeting will be March 20, 6:30 p.m. at the Ag Center.



Join the Lorain County 4-H Band on Monday March 10th, 7pm in the Activity Room B at the Lorain County JVS for info night!

Come and learn about who we are, and get your questions answered! We are looking for Middle school and High school musicians. No auditions, the only requirement is your desire to participate. Not available on the 10th? No problem. email at Loraincounty4Hband@gmail.com

We use the BAND app for communication. To join us there use this QR Code invitation.



Board Updates



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[4-H Educational Board](#)

The 4-H Educational Board provides oversight of youth educational efforts. Membership consists of 9 board members and 5 teen ambassadors. Events that the Board will focus on includes but is not limited to 4-H Event requests, 4-H Animal Schools, and Skillathon. Click on 4-H Educational Board above for additional details.

4-H Animal School, Skillathon & Animal Book Evaluation



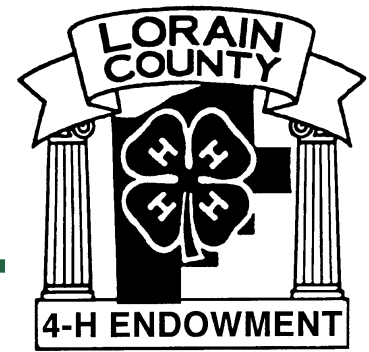
Consider submitting a [county event request](#) !!

Event	Date	Location
Horse School (Draft, Saddle Horse and Small Equine)	TBD	TBD
Small Animal School Dog, Fowl, Rabbit, Cay & Cavy	May 17	FG
Large Animal School Goat, Lamb, Swine, Beef, and Dairy	June 14	FG
Early Project Book Evaluation	July 7	AC or NRTL
Large Animal Skillathon	July 7	NRTL
FCS & Shooting Sports Skillathon	July 8	NRTL
Small Animal Skillathon	July 9	NRTL
Animal Book Evaluation	July 21	AC

FG = Lorain County Fairgrounds
NRTL = New Russia Township Lodge

The next 4-H Educational Board meeting will be March 18, 6:30 p.m. at the Ag Center.

Board Updates



4-H Endowment Board

Thank You Card Design Contest

Have you seen those awesome thank you cards that are provided by our 4-H Endowment Board at fair?

These designs-come from our 4-H'ers!!

Help the Endowment by sending in a drawing for the cover of these cards.

[Thank you card contest rules](#) are located on our Lorain County 4-H website. Click on the 4-H Endowment tab of the menu on the left-hand side of the screen. Submission deadline is May 15th

April Grant Cycle

Any Lorain County 4-H entity may apply for project grants and 4-H members or volunteers apply for workshop/seminar grant to assist with funding new learning opportunities for our youth! Deadline for submission is April 15. This application can be accessed by clicking on the blue headline above or visiting lorain.osu.edu, clicking on 4-H Youth Development, then Lorain County 4-H Endowment, scroll down to the grant applications.



Board Updates

Lorain County Jr. Fair Board

Junior Fair Activity Request Forms

Is your club or group interested in offering a fun event or workshop fair week? Incubating chicks, releasing butterflies, cupcake decorating contests, and Jr. Fair dances* are all events sponsored by 4-H groups the week of fair. If your club would like to offer a fun event for youth while at the fair be sure to submit this form by the deadline!

2025 Fair Theme
Go Hog Wild

Lorain County Jr. Fair Royalty Court Contest

Lorain County Fair is seeking qualified individuals to run for this year's Jr. Fair Royalty Court! The King and Queen will each receive a **\$1,000 scholarship**.

Applicant must be:

- at least 16 years of age as of January 1 of the current year and not have reached their 19th birthday prior to January 1 of the current year
- a current participant in the Lorain County Jr. Fair and must have been a participant for at least two consecutive years.

King and Queen will be announced during the Lorain County Fair Opening Ceremonies (Sunday afternoon). Note: Scholarship will be awarded at the end of the year's reign.



Application deadline is April 15, 2025

Pictured above are 2024 Lorain County Jr. Fair
Queen Kyleigh Klingshirm
King Andrew Krupka



Board Updates

Congratulations to the 2025 JFB Adult Consultants

Swine- David Bremke

Horse- Ali Butler

Fowl- Richard Bernhardt

Goat- Frank Krupka, Jr.

Dairy- Joe Klier

Sheep- Erin Keyse

Beef- Allison Vilagi

Special Events- Jenna Calfo

Ag-Home Ec- Pat Klingshirn

Rabbit/Small Animal- Renee Burns

Lamb and Goat Weigh-in

Early tagging May 8, 6:00-7:00pm

Market lamb tagging/weigh-in and
Market Goat ID

May 10, 9:00-11:30am

Rabbit Tattooing

Early Tattooing July 23, 1:00-2:00pm

July 30, 5:30-7:30pm

Chicken & Turkey Pullorum Testing

July 26, 9:00-11:00am

All above events will take place at the
Lorain County Fairgrounds

Possession clarification

Pet or Breeding Rabbit: May 1, 2025

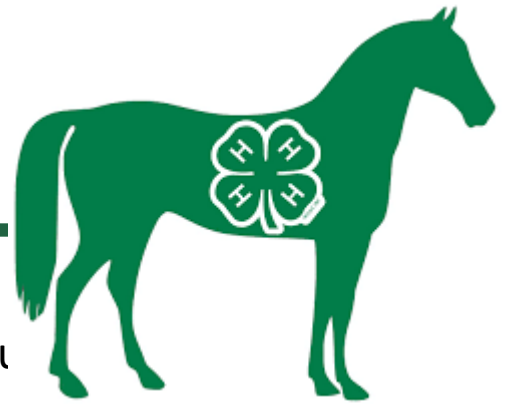
Market Rabbit: July 20, 2025



Pictures right:
Lorain County Sr. Fair and Jr.
Fair Board members at the
January 2025 Ohio Fair
Managers Association
Conference

The next Jr. Fair Board meeting will be
March 27, 7:00 p.m. at the Fairgrounds.

Horse Happenings



2025 Horse Program requirements

- [Registration form](#) for each horse (you may submit multiple)
- If leasing an animal, a copy of the [project lease](#)
- Complete the online EquiStep Certification program



EquiSTEP 2025

Feb 1, 2025 - Oct 1, 2025

Enroll

[EquiSTEP course](#)

is accessed through an online link. Please note that families with multiple children must use a different email for each child.

2025 4-H Horse Competitive Judging and Practices

Ohio 4-H offers 8 fun competitive events: Horse Bowl, Communications, Hippology, Horse Judging, Skillathon, Junior Horse Show, Competitive Trail Ride, and Groom & Clean. Lorain County 4-H offers opportunity for youth to practice, prepare, and for events that offer a limited number of spots at state qualify to compete.

If you are interested in more information regarding county practices contact our county coordinator, Kimberley JayJohn kimberlyjayjohn@gmail.com or 419-706-6952.

Check out the [State 4-H Horse Program](#) page for upcoming events.





LC SET News

At our initial meeting in January the youth participants decided on a formal name: Lorain County State Equine Team (LC SET). Our 2025 season formally kicked off on Saturday March 1st in Columbus with the oral communications contest and 2024 Awards of Merit presentation.



Seniors Jordyn Simpson and Madelyn Murphy (Summit Co.) earned first place with their team demonstration and senior Jocelyn Wyatt competed in the Individual Demonstration contest

Earning Awards of Merit from 2024: Gold rankings went to Julia Finnegan, Parker Maurer, and Callie Finnegan for competing in all 8 state events.

Silver awards went to Jordyn Simpson, Jocelyn Wyatt, Delaney Reed, Adleigh Jayjohn, and Lauren Jayjohn. Bronze awards were presented to Addison Tyree, Chloe Squire, Morgan Wallace-Wells, Kate Fenik and William Franz.

Congratulations on your hard work in 2024 and we're excited for another amazing 8 for 8 season with our teams.



L. C. Small Equine/Small Pony 4-H Show

Date and Time: June 15, 2024 at 10:00 AM

Location: L.C. Fairground - (Cow Palace)

Judge: Sonya Pitts Stewards: Pat Klingshirn/Jill Carpenter

Entry Fee - \$5.00 per class

Exhibitor MUST be a 4-H member and enrolled in a SE/SP project.

For classes 1-20, only one entry per exhibitor per class is allowed.

An equine can only be shown by one 4-H member.

Ribbons: 1st – 6th place Judge's decision is final

"A" Minis – 34" and under / "B" Minis – Over 34" to 38"

Small Pony – over 38" to 50" / Donkeys – 38" and under

4-H Classes

1. Sr. Showmanship (14-19)
2. Jr. Showmanship (8-13)
3. Beginner Showmanship (all ages)
4. Donkey Showmanship (all ages)
5. Mare/Geld. Halter (1 and 2 year old equine)
6. Mare Halter – "A" (34" and under)
7. Mare Halter – "B" (over 34" to 38")
8. Gelding Halter – "A" (34" and under)
9. Gelding Halter – "B" (over 34" to 38")
10. Donkey Halter – Jenny/Jack - (38" & under)
11. Small Pony Halter – Mare/Gelding - (over 38" to 50")

***** 30 Minute Lunch Break *****

12. Sr. Small Equine Hunter – (14-19)
13. Jr. Small Equine Hunter – (8-13)
14. Sr. Small Equine Jumper - (14-19)
15. Jr. Small Equine Jumper - (8-13)
16. Sr. Trail In Hand – (14-19)
17. Jr. Trail In Hand – (8-13)
18. Donkey Trail In Hand (all ages)
19. Driving (3rd year and over driver)
20. Driving (1st & 2nd year driver)

4-H Fun Classes

21. Switch Showmanship
22. Carrot Race
23. Barrels
24. Turkey Thru Straw
25. Costume

Shooting Sports- *Bang & Twang*

2025 Lorain County 4-H Shooting Sports Program

The following projects require youth to work with our official state certified shooting sports instructors:

- 750 Rifle
- 751 Archery
- 753 Pistol
- 756 Living History
- 757 Crossbow



Youth are required to complete a minimum of 6 practices. Practices include safety review, lesson, book work, and range time.

Check out the [4-H Shooting Sports Forms and Resources](#) page on our website to view this year's practice schedule and for the most current information regarding Shooting Sports Project opportunities!

4-H Shooting Sports Program Family Orientation

Join us for this fun hands-on opportunity to learn more about the various shooting sports disciplines offered in our county. Youth attending will have opportunity to try the following disciplines:

When: March 29, 2025

1:00 pm

Where: Ag Center

42110 Russia Rd. Elyria, OH

To register for the orientation e-mail baca.30@osu.edu



Paw Prints

2025 Dog Program requirements

- [Registration form](#) for each project dog
- [Vaccination records](#) for each project dog (2025 form coming soon!)
- Attend a safety clinic (will be offered in conjunction with Dog School)

4-H Dog Spark Club

When: Tuesdays in May

Location: Lorain County Fairgrounds

Time: 6:00-8:00 pm

Coordinators: Tammy Zifcak & Andrea Cucson

Topic Schedule:

Date	Topics	What to Bring
May 6	Dog Training and conditioning	Dog Resource Book
May 13	All Things Health	Dog Resource Book
May 20	Obedience	Dog Resource Book Dog with Leash Dog crate & Water
May 27	Showmanship Patterns	Dog Resource Book Dog with leash Dog crate & Water

Mark your calendars for a tentative 4-H Dog Show!

June 3rd OR 24th, at the fairgrounds.

Registration will open at 5:00 pm

4-H Camp



Cloverbud Day Camp- \$50

June 17 & 18, 2025

New Russia Township Lodge

For youth ages 5 (and completed Kindergarten) through 8 (and completed the second grade).

Each day will focus on hands-on learning, games, and making new friends!



Sew Fun Camp- \$30

June 16-18, 2025

New Russia Township Lodge

For youth enrolled in beginning sewing projects and ages 9 (and completed 3rd grade) through 14. This is a great opportunity for youth to learn from local sewing experts and work on project garments for project judging!

Jr. Day Camp- \$75

June 10-12, 2025 – Hidden Hollow Camp

For youth ages 9 (and completed 3rd grade) through 14 (and completed the 8th grade). Fishing, shooting sports, paracord crafts, and outdoor games are just a few of the fun hands-on activities our counselors have planned for this year's camp!



Jr. Residential Camp- \$300

June 29- July 3, 2025

Erie County 4-H Camp on Kelleys Island

For youth ages 9 (and completed 3rd grade) through 14 (and completed the 8th grade). Water activities, shooting sports, crafts, outdoor games, evening games, dances, and campfires are just a few of the fun hands-on activities our counselors have planned for this year's camp!



4-H Camp



[Online 4-H Camp Registration](#)

Opens **April 15, 2025**, at 7:00 am.

The registration link can be found on our website, lorain.osu.edu, click on 4-H Youth Development, then Lorain County 4-H Camps. All campers will require a \$25 deposit upon registration.

Registration is on a first come, first serve basis and will close May 15 or when all spots are full. If camps fill, youth will be placed on a waitlist and contacted should a spot become available.

Camp Scholarship Opportunities

To ensure ALL youth have the opportunity to attend 4-H summer camp, Lorain County 4-H Endowment offers partial scholarships! Scholarship amounts vary each year based on the funds available.

[4-H Camp Scholarship Application](#)- deadline April 15, 2025

If your 4-H'er may need financial assistance beyond a partial scholarship, don't hesitate to contact the 4-H office for additional information.

Camp Gift Certificates

Looking for the perfect gift for the 4-H camper in your life? Look no further! Our camp gift certificates are the ultimate present for anyone who loves summer 4-H camp!

How to Purchase: Visit or call the OSU Extension office us at to purchase your camp gift certificate today. Give the gift of adventure and create memories that will last a lifetime!



Gift Certificate

*This certificate entitles: _____
to: \$ _____ towards 2025 Lorain Co. 4-H Camp*

Cloverbud Corner

Stuck on what to do with Cloverbuds? Check out our Cloverbud kits! Kits can be rented for a \$5.00 fee. Each kit comes equipped with enough items for 12 members to participate.

[Kits we have:](#)

Making Air Work
Home Hobbies
Safe at Home
Our Flag
Ant Antics

Also available:

[Choose & Tell](#)
[Clover Cubes](#)

Sign up for the Ohio 4-H Cloverbud Connections Blog

Visit u.osu.edu/cloverbudconnections today to start receiving the emails



[The Big Book of 4-H Cloverbud Activities](#) is also a great resource to get ideas from. Don't want to buy the book? Come in and utilize our library and browse the book at no cost!

Older Youth Opportunities

Attention! College Scholarships Available!

• Roger Stang Memorial Scholarship Due March 20, 2025

[Online Scholarship Application](#)

• Ohio State Fair Scholarship Due April 1, 2025

[Online Scholarship Application available on the Ohio State Fair Website](#)

• Lorain County Scholarships Due April 15, 2025

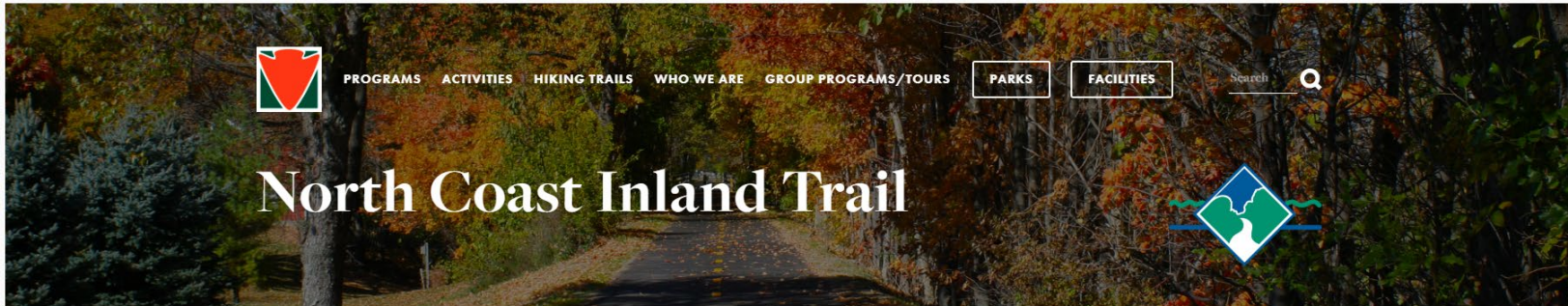
2025 Lorain County Scholarship Descriptions, Guidelines & Worksheet
[Printable pdf](#) | [Writable pdf](#)

Online Application- <https://go.osu.edu/lcscholarships2025>

These scholarships will be awarded at the Annual 4-H Scholarship Night



Upcoming SERVICE Opportunities



North Coast Inland Trail Litter Pick-up

Lorain County 4-H has committed to litter pick-up twice a year on the portion of the North Coast Inland Trail (NCIT) that runs through our County. This 13-mile-long stretch winds between Elyria and Kipton. We encourage our clubs to take advantage of this fun community service opportunity and sign-up for one section clean-up in April and October. Sign up your club for a trail section by calling the Ag Center at 440-326-5851. For specific requirements and trail locations review our [Adopt the Trail with 4-H handout](#). To learn more about the NCIT, visit the [Lorain County Metro Parks website](#).

Industrial Parkway to Murray Ridge Rd.

Murray Ridge Rd. to Russia Rd.

Russia Rd. to Butternut Ridge Rd.

Butternut Ridge Rd. to East Lorain St.

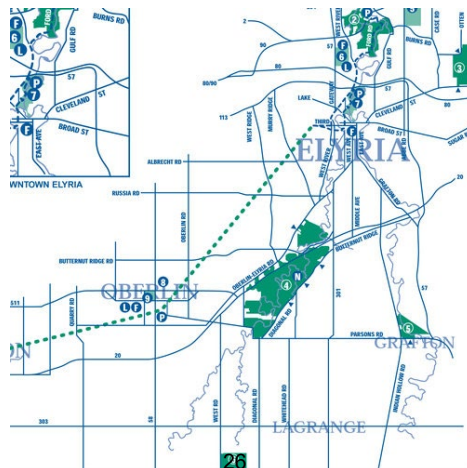
East Lorain St. to South Pleasant St.

South Pleasant to Pyle South Amherst Rd.

Pyle South Amherst Rd. to Quarry Rd.

Quarry Rd. to Gifford Rd.

Gifford Rd. to Baird Rd.



Upcoming STATE Opportunities

Please note the upcoming state updates, deadlines, workshops, and clinics for 4-H youth and volunteers. These will be listed up to THREE months in advance as we become aware of the opportunities.

Description	Date	Location
Horse Communications Contest, Recognition Banquet & Awards Ceremony, Horse Bowl, Hippology & Judging Clinic	March 1	4-H Center, Columbus
Ohio 4-H Week	March 2-8	
Ohio 4-H Conference	March 8	Columbus, OH
Ohio Youth Poultry Clinic	March 8	Columbus, OH
Ohio Youth Poultry Clinic	March 15	Wooster, OH
Ohio Beef Expo	March 13-16	Ohio Expo Center, Columbus
Global Immersion Project	March 12-23	Greece
Spring Shooting Sports Instructor Workshop	April 4-6	Canter's Cave 4-H Camp in Jackson, Ohio
State 4-H Horse Bowl Contest State 4-H Hippology Contest	April 5	4-H Center, Columbus
Equine Affaire	April 10-13	Ohio Expo Center, Columbus
Dairy Palooza	April 26	Canfield Fair
Ohio Youth Institute	April 14	Columbus, OH
Forestry and Wildlife Conservation Camp	May 2-4	Canter's Cave 4-H Camp in Jackson, Ohio

For a full list of 4-H Camping opportunities click [here](#).