

**CFAES**

COLLEGE OF FOOD, AGRICULTURAL, AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES

# 2024 Volunteer Update & Training

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Erie County



**THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY**  
EXTENSION





# Reminder: Volunteer Requirements

- ✓ Complete required trainings (3 total)
- ✓ Enroll in 4-Honline
- ✓ Complete BCI fingerprint check every 4 years

# Reminder: Volunteer Requirements

- ✓ Training for returning volunteers
  - County Update
  - Volunteer Competency
  - Youth Activities and Program Policy
- ✓ Three-year rotation with online options 2 of 3 years
  - 2024 and 2025 in-person and online options
  - 2026 in-person only
  - Out of Erie County must complete and submit form

# Reminder: Volunteer Requirements

## ✓ Enroll in 4-Honline

- <https://v2.4honline.com/#/user/sign-in>
- Once you enroll, our office will approve you.
- Once you are approved; you will need to log into your 4-H club.

# New Volunteer

- ✓ Apply online at [erie.osu.edu](http://erie.osu.edu)
  - Application (emails for references vital)
  - References
  - Interview
  - Training March 11<sup>th</sup> OR April 16<sup>th</sup> 6 pm
  - Deadlines: Apply by April; Complete by May 1
  - Official one you receive an official letter

# Provided Materials for Clubs

- ✓ 2023 Club List
- ✓ Extra 2024 Family Guides
- ✓ 2024 Calendar
- ✓ Enrollment Checklist
- ✓ Book Order Form
- ✓ Charter Form
- ✓ Yearly Financial Summary

# Enrollment Deadlines

- ✓ April 1<sup>st</sup> Enrollment deadline for all members
- ✓ April 12<sup>th</sup> Members fees and club paperwork
  - Club appointments April 2-12
  - Call or email to schedule [Kromer.53@osu.edu](mailto:Kromer.53@osu.edu)
  - Don't forget enrollment checklist in packet



# Enrollment Deadlines

- ✓ May 1<sup>st</sup> Deadline for Late enrollment (\$25 fee)
- ✓ May 15<sup>th</sup> Add/drop deadline for projects
  - Prefer them as an email [kromer.53@osu.edu](mailto:kromer.53@osu.edu)
  - Subject: Project Change



# Late Enrollment

- ✓ After April 1<sup>st</sup> enrollment can still be done through 4-Honline, **HOWEVER** the member will **NOT** be officially approved until the \$25 late fee and \$10 activity fee is paid to the Extension Office.



# Activity Fee



- ✓ Remains \$10 per member
- ✓ Due April 12
- ✓ \$25 late fee enrollment after April 1 – May 1

# Financials

- ✓ Yearly Financial Summary (in folder)
  - Due April 12
  - Must be submitted for your club to operate in 2024
  - Similar information to treasurer's "Yearly Summary", but different form and REQUIRED BY STATE
  - Can be submitted online or printed and turned in
  - Fillable form at: [erie.osu.edu](http://erie.osu.edu) > click on 4-H Youth Development, then Forms & Such
  - Allows Angie to file club 990e with IRS

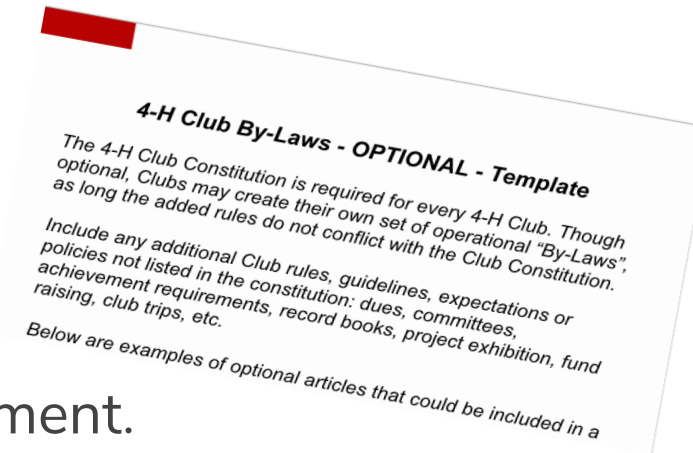


# Constitution

- ✓ There is nothing in this you may change. Add club name and county.
- ✓ President and the OA must sign.
- ✓ Please have members and parents/guardians review as well.
- ✓ Find form at [erie.osu.edu](http://erie.osu.edu) Click on 4-H Youth Development, then Club Forms and Information
- ✓ Submit to the Extension Office by April 12



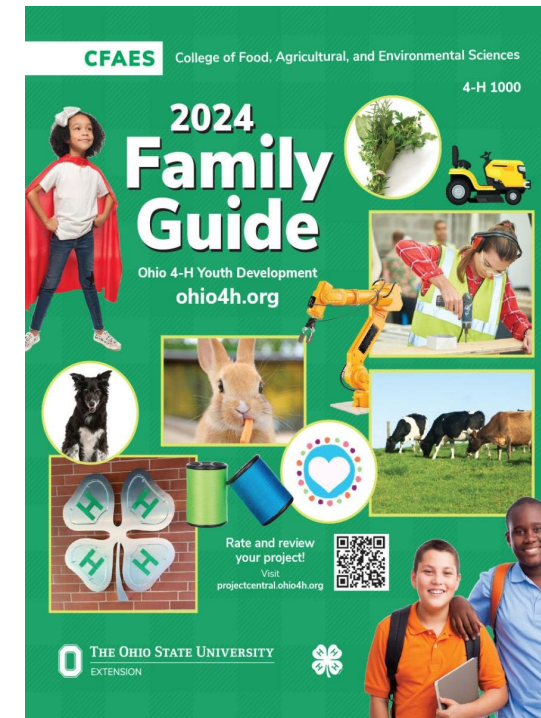
# Club By-Laws



- ✓ A framework for a club's operation and management.
- ✓ Template provides suggestions. This is the document you can tailor to meet your club's needs!
- ✓ All youth and volunteers expected to attend at minimum, 50% of club meetings. Clubs must meet a minimum of six times per year (as stated in your club charter).
- ✓ Please have all member and parents/guardians review and sign.
- ✓ Find form at [erie.osu.edu](http://erie.osu.edu) Click on 4-H Youth Development, then Club Forms and Information.
- ✓ Submit to the Extension Office by April 12

# What's New...Projects

- ✓ 186 Gymkahana
- ✓ 187 Roping
- ✓ 210 Assistance Animals in Action
- ✓ 356 Relationships



# What's Revised...Projects

- ✓ 179R Uniform Rules for 4-H Horse Shows
- ✓ 201R Dog Resource Handbook
- ✓ 228R Rabbit Resource Handbook



# What's Discontinued...Projects

- ✓ 185 Equine Reproduction & Genetics
- ✓ 352 Keeping Fit
- ✓ 486 Dashboard Dining
- ✓ 529 Wired for Power (level 3)
- ✓ 530 Entering Electronics (level 4)





# What's New for Livestock

- ✓ Check out the handout!
- ✓ Let's review some of the major changes.



# What's New for Livestock

## All Livestock Fact Sheets:

- ✓ Animals brought to fair – Sunday, August 4th, 5-9 pm  
Animals released from fair – Sunday, August 11th, 9 am till 1 pm  
(exception for Swine being sent to packers)
- ✓ Grooming/fitting of animals at the Erie County Fair should primarily be done by the Junior fair exhibitor, with limited help from other Erie County Junior Fair exhibitors, immediate family, and/or that exhibitor's 4-H club advisor or that exhibitor's FFA advisor. (deletion of 'livestock species committee members').

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## All Livestock Fact Sheets:

- ✓ Following the possession deadline established by the Erie County Junior Fair, an animal may only be exhibited by the project member in any junior livestock exhibition, including at the Ohio State Fair. In shows outside junior livestock shows/exhibitions, following the county possession deadline, a project animal may only be shown by the youth exhibitor or family members. If shown by a youth outside of the immediate family, this constitutes a change in ownership, and that animal would be ineligible for exhibit at the Erie County Fair. See Ohio Department of Agriculture's Livestock Exhibition Rules for additional details.
- ✓ Leasing market animals for youth exhibition projects is not permitted under any circumstances. Exhibitors who are leasing breeding animals or dairy animals must submit a lease agreement to the Erie County Extension Office by May 11th.

# Quality Assurance

## THE 45-DAY RULE

Quality Assurance MUST BE completed after October 1, 2023 and before June 21, 2024 to compete in the Erie County Fair. If a member is planning to participate in the Ohio State Fair, they must complete QA by June 1, 2024.

## TESTING OUT OF QUALITY ASSURANCE

Youth who are at least 15 as of January 1, 2024 are able to test out of Quality Assurance for the remainder of their 4-H career. Test out sessions will be offered 1-hour before each of the in-person QA sessions and by appointment.

# Quality Assurance

## ERIE COUNTY QA COMPLETION OPTIONS:

### IN-PERSON QA SESSIONS

**Must register at least 24 hours in advance:**

- Sunday, March 17 from 4:00-5:00 PM at VFW Post 2529
- Thursday, April 11 from 6:00-7:00 PM at VFW Post 2529
- Sunday, May 19 from 4:00-5:00 PM Erie County Fairgrounds
- Thursday, June 13 from 7:00-8:00 PM Erie County Fairgrounds

# Quality Assurance

## ERIE COUNTY QA COMPLETION OPTIONS:

### YQCA Training Online

Youth may complete the online YQCA course at <https://yqcaprogram.org/> This is the **only** approved online course. Youth must complete the correct course for their 4-H age. The entire course must be completed before June 21, 2024 to be eligible to compete. Cost is \$12.

# Horses & EquiSTEP

- ✓ Every member taking a horse project must complete the EquiSTEP online training by May 10
- ✓ Instructions will be posted with horse forms on our website at [go.osu.edu/echorseforms](http://go.osu.edu/echorseforms)

# EquiSTEP

- ✓ Encourage parents of children who might need accommodations at judging to complete this form annually!

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# Erie County Fair

- ✓ August 4<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>
- ✓ Projects move in Sunday, August 4<sup>th</sup>
  - Livestock 5-9 pm
  - Stills 5-8 pm
  - Horse by 4 pm
- ✓ Projects released 9 am Sunday, August 11<sup>th</sup>
- ✓ Scheduled released when finalized by Fair Board

# Opportunities for Older Youth

- ✓ Flyer in club packets
- ✓ Encourage youth to check these out

**STATE LEADERSHIP CAMP**  
AGES: 15-18  
DEADLINE TO REGISTER: MAR 15  
**JUNE 1-5**

**CITIZEN WASHINGTON FOCUS**  
JUNE 15-22 or 20-27  
AGES: 14-19

**SPACE ADVENTURE CAMP**  
AGES: 11-13 and/or 5th-7th GRADE  
DEADLINE TO REGISTER: MAY 1  
**JUNE 11-13**

**OHIO SEA CAMP**  
JULY 19-23  
AGES: 14-17 (age as of 1st day of camp)

**ERIE COUNTY 4-H SCHOLARSHIPS**  
OHIO 4-H SCHOLARSHIPS



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# Divider Slide Quote Option

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