

ERIE COUNTY 4-H BUZZ



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IMPORTANT DATES IN APRIL

- 1 4-H Online Enrollment Deadline, New 4-H Volunteer Apps Deadline, JFB Apps & Erie Co Scholarship Apps Due
- 1 Huron County Rabbit Clinic 7p, Huron Co Fairgrounds
- 11 Erie County 4-H BBQ and Auction, 4:30p, Erie Co Fairgrounds
- 14 Cloverbud Advisor Training 6p-7p, Erie Co Service Center
- 15 **Deadline for Club Paperwork, Book & Fee payments**
- 16 Camp Counselor Meeting 6p-8:30p, Erie Co Fairgrounds
- 20 New Volunteer Orientation & Training 6p, Erie Co Service Center
- 22 Erie Co in-person QA 7p-8p, Erie Co Fairgrounds, Register by 4/21: go.osu.edu/apr22qa
- 26 4-H Scholarship Interviews, Erie Co Fairgrounds
*applicants will be given a time
- 28 Camp Counselor Meeting 6p-8:30p, Erie Co Fairgrounds
- 29 Huron County Rabbit Clinic 7p, Huron Co Fairgrounds

COMING SOON...

ERIE COUNTY 4-H CAMP



MORE OHIO 4-H CAMPS!

Ohio 4-H Adaptive Adventure Camp (formerly *Special Needs Camp*) - June 5-7 at Canter's Cave 4-H Camp
Ages 8-adult

Registration Due: May 22

Camp Counselor Apps Due: April 15

More info go to: go.osu.edu/AdaptiveAdventures

Ohio 4-H Shooting Sports Camps

June 12-14 (JR), July 12-17 (SR) at Canter's Cave 4-H Camp

Grades 3-6 (JR), Grades 7-12 (SR)

Registration Due: May 5:

Camp Counselor Apps Due: April 1

More info go to: go.osu.edu/sseducamp

Ohio 4-H Spark Expo

June 10-13 at Nationwide & Ohio Farm Bureau 4-H Center

For those who completed 8th or 9th grade at the end of the 2025-2026 school year

Registration and \$75 fee Due: April 25

More info go to: go.osu.edu/4hsparkexpo

4-H STEM CAMP

June 21-23 at Canter's Cave 4-H Camp
Grades 5-7

Registration and fee of \$125 Due: June 1

More info go to: go.osu.edu/4HSTEMCamp

4-H SEA CAMP

July 20-24 at Ohio 4-H Sea Camp at Kelleys Island
Ages 14-17

Registration Due: May 1

More info go to: ohio4h.org/camp/sea-camp

For other camps offered at Canter's Cave 4-H Camp go to: go.osu.edu/canterscavecamps

Looking for even more camps? Visti: ohio4h.org/camp

2026 QUALITY ASSURANCE

Every exhibitor of a market, dairy, or breeding animal MUST attend a Quality Assurance program with his/her parent or legal guardian to be eligible to bring the animal(s) to fair to exhibit, show, or sell. There are no exceptions.

Quality Assurance MUST BE completed by **June 25, 2026** to compete in the Erie County Fair. If a member is planning to participate in the Ohio State Fair, the 45 day date is earlier.

In-person Erie Co. QA Sessions -
Must register 24 hours in advance!

- Wed. April 22, 7-8p
go.osu.edu/apr22qa
- Sun, May 17th, 6-7p
go.osu.edu/may17qa

Scan QR Code for options in neighboring counties



Youth who are at least 15 as of January 1, 2026 are eligible to test out. Sessions will be offered 1-hour before each of the in-person QA sessions and by appointment. If you would like to schedule an appointment or learn more about the test out option, reach out to Mary Beth Albright: albright.75@osu.edu.

YQCA TRAINING ON-LINE OPTION

If you are unable to attend one of the in-person training, you can complete the online training at yqca.org for a fee of \$12/youth. Youth may complete the online YQCA course. This is the **only** approved online course. Youth must complete the correct course for their 4-H age. If youth plan to do this, please contact Albright.75@osu.edu so that we are sure to receive the correct completion information and can assure that youth select the correct course.

MAY 9th- LIVESTOCK TAGGING, CHECK-INS & RABBIT TATTOOING

The following species will be tagged in-person on Saturday, May 9th, 9a-11a: Feeder Calves, Hogs and Market Goats.

Market Lambs will need to be ('tagged') registered online through FairEntry by May 9th. **see sheep factsheet for more information*

Breeding rabbit check-in/tattooing will be held at the fairgrounds on Saturday, May 9th from 9a-10a. All breeding rabbits must be in the exhibitor's possession by this date. Exhibitors may tattoo up to **10** breeding rabbits. The rabbits you bring to fair **MUST** come from these **10** rabbits. Every breeding rabbit must either a) be registered **through FairEntry** by Wednesday, May 6th at 11:59 p.m. OR b) come to the fairgrounds on May 9th for check-in (and tattooing, if needed). **see rabbit factsheet for more information*

Please check the livestock factsheets for more information and/or changes: go.osu.edu/erielistsfactsheets



LIVESTOCK SKILLATHON STUDY GUIDES AVAILABLE!

Study guide packets can be purchased at the Erie County Extension Office. We have all species: Beef, Goat, Horse, Llama/Alpaca, Poultry, Rabbit, Sheep, and Swine. Packets are \$5 each.

REQUEST FOR SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS

Does your child or a member of your club need special accommodations to be successful at 4-H judging? If so, please contact the office to request a 4-H Winning Plan form or go to this link to download the form:

<https://go.osu.edu/winningplan>

Once completed, please submit it to the Extension Office before your child's judging. If you have questions, contact Angie.



BE ON THE LOOK OUT FOR THESE EVENTS & DEADLINES IN

MAY

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					Final date to Enroll w/LATE FEE Deadline to complete new volunteer process	1 2
3	4	5	Breeding Rabbit Online Check-in Registration Closes <i>*Refer to factsheet</i>	6	7	8 *Feeder calf, Hog, Market Goat Tagging 9a-11a @ fairgrounds *Market Lamb online tagging deadline *Breeding Rabbit Check In 9a-10a, clinic to follow
10	Camp Counselor Meeting 6-8:30p	11	12	Rabbit Clinic 7p Huron Co. Fairgrounds	13	14 *Deadline to add/drop a project *Self Determined Proposals Due *Horse/Small Equine Forms Due- \$10 <i>Late fee per horse after May 15</i>
JFB Meeting 4p Welcome & Picnic Erie Co. In-person QA 6-7p	17	18	19	20	21	22 23
24	happy MEMORIAL day OFFICE CLOSED	25	26	Rabbit Clinic 7p Huron Co. Fairgrounds Camp Counselor Meeting 6-8:30p	27	28 29 30
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