OHIO STATE UNIVERSTIY EXTENSION GALLIA COUNTY

Gallia County 4-H

2020 Program Information 4-H Advisors

November 2019

2020 Volunteer Training - New this year! "Club CHAT"! (For returning Advisors ONLY)

Do you hate sitting in a room being "talked" at? Me too! This year we are offering the option of a traditional 4-H training or attending a "Club CHAT". This will be YOUR time, we will have financial paperwork, 1.50 update and program changes available, but this time is for conversation. What would you like to have happen in your club in 2020? Its time to share ideas, ask questions; think of it as "GROUP THERAPY" for 4-H advisors! "Club Chat" dates: Thursday January 16, (5:30 – 7:30 PM), Friday January 17, (12:00 -1:30), Tuesday January 21, (5:30 – 7:00 PM), Friday February 14, (12:00 – 1:30PM). Please be sure to RSVP (740-446-7007) for the "Club CHATs" as we will limiting these to no more than 25 people for discussion purposes. Club advisor are encouraged to come as a team, so we can discuss your club needs specifically.

Not into chats? We have two traditional training options Saturday January 18, (9 - 10:30am), and Tuesday February 18, (5:30 – 7:00PM) Please RSVP so we have enough handouts! 740-446-7007 **Makeup date for ONLY those who can't come to any of the above trainings, February 20, (5:30 - 7:00pm)

NEW ADVISOR TRAININGS ONLY: January 17, (1:30 – 2:30 pm), January 18, (10:30 - 11:30am), February 14, (1:30 – 2:30pm) Please RSVP by calling 740-446-7007. Additional dates maybe scheduled as needed.

Please mark these dates on your calendar and plan to attend one. <u>All Trainings will be held at the Extension Office</u>. Advisor trainings must be completed by March 1, 2020 deadline.



NOW IS THE TIME TO RECRUIT CLUB VOLUNTEERS! If you have parents or others interested in becoming a 4-H volunteer, please have them call the Extension office or stop by for a new volunteer packet! We also need more 4-H clubs, especially in the northern and southern part of the county!

Thinking of starting a New 4-H Club? Here are the steps:

- 1. A new club must have at least 5 members from 3 different families.
- 2. Must have a pre-approved club name, approval is granted by the Extension office.
- 3. The club will need to apply for a club EIN and sign a club constitution.
- 4. The club will need to develop by-laws; these are "club rules" which include: attendance policy, officer duties, parent participation, member participation, expected behavior, etc.
- 5. The club will need to open a club checking account.
- 6. Advisors must complete club paperwork and approval process by March 1.

Typically, clubs begin meeting in January & February with 4-H enrollment due **March 15, 2020**. The process sounds complicated, but 4-H staff are here to support you through each step. If you have questions, please call the Extension office at 740-446-7007.

2020 Fair Change: The Market Steer show is now a Market Beef show and will allow market heifers to show. A division for heifers will be added and the show will run like the market hog show with male and female divisions. ALL Market Beef should be tagged in on **December 12, 2019** at the fairgrounds. Exhibitors can tag-in, signup, and exhibit both a market steer and market heifer but only one animal will be permitted to sell at the fair. For more detailed information please contact the Extension office.

NEW! On-line Quality Assurance training- This option is for exhibitors age 12 and older by January 1, 2020. The on-line **YQCA** training session has been approved for Ohio 4-H and FFA members as a yearly option for QA training.

- Members must be at least 12 years old by January 1st of the current year.
- The on-line module completed must be for the correct 4-H age of the youth.
- The on-line session must be completed at least 45 days prior to the start of the exhibition.
- The youth must <u>complete the on-line session within the Quality Assurance calendar year</u> (October 2019-September 2020).
- Only the YQCA online course is acceptable no other QA online courses will be accepted (not accepted: BQA, PQA, BEST, etc.).
- Youth can access the website and take the <u>age-appropriate module for \$13.00</u> by going to http://yqca.learngrow.io/Account/Login
- Youth will need their <u>4HOnline login and password</u>, youth must use the 4HOnline information for their results to <u>automatically show up in our 4HOnline system and be</u> counted!
- The YQCA is NOT a TEST OUT option and is only good for the current year.



Reminder, if you are due for a BCI check you only have until **December 31**st to get it done! Please save receipts for reimbursement. Those due this year received a letter by mail, but you can also check your status by logging into 4HOnline or calling the office. Please don't let your volunteer status expire!

Cloverbud Advisors – We now have two complete years of **Cloverbud Investigators** lesson plans and kits for you to download and/or borrow. We will be adding the "Taking the Adventure Outside" lessons soon. There are also several State Cloverbud resources offered for use too!

Club Advisors

- If you are looking for a great Spring club meeting location, the Gallia County Nature Area Land Lab, located at the fairground is available free of charge. Just call the office to book your meeting and request access.
- Please watch for our **Little Caesar Pizza Kit** Summer Camp Assistance fundraiser information. Order forms will be available in January, the fundraiser will run until March 24, 2020 with pizza delivery April 1, 2020.



Canter's Cave 4-H Camp is the 2019 recipient of a Southern Ohio Agricultural & Community Development Foundation Grant. The \$250,000 grant will fund a new bathhouse/sleeping facility & update the HVAC system in Harrison Powell Lodge. The building will be completed by April 2020. We have a \$50,000 match for the grant, please help us reach our match! Donations can be made at http://go.osu.edu/givecanters & enter 303873 in the search field, select Canter's Cave 4-H Camp, or make checks payable to Canter's Cave 4-H Camp with SOACDF Grant in the memo line!