

# 4-H Clover Chronicle

Belmont County Newsletter



February 2022

## Welcome 4-H 2022!

Welcome to another year of Belmont County 4-H! We are hopeful the worst of the pandemic is behind us and we can focus on getting back to our “normal” programming and activities. The first step to getting off to a great start is 4-H enrollment. If you haven’t taken care of it already, the deadline to enroll is April 1, 2022. All 4-H families and volunteers active in 2021 should have received an email from 4HOnline with instructions on how to retrieve your profile and complete the online enrollment process. If you did not get this email and aren’t sure how to re-enroll, please call the Extension office for help, otherwise you may accidentally create a new profile. New families will need to start a new family profile to enroll. Please go to the Belmont County OSU Extension website for documents to help get enrolled in the 2022 4-H year. Call the Extension office with any questions at (740) 695-1455. We are happy to help!



<https://v2.4honline.com>

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### We are Hiring!

We are looking for a new 4-H Program Assistant for Belmont County. Alex Bauerbach resigned his position at the beginning of the year to return home to Marietta to teach. The full-time 4-H Program Assistant position posted last week on our Facebook page. Deadline to apply is February 27<sup>th</sup>. Those interested can go to our Facebook page for the link to apply! Come join our team!

## Mandatory Annual Volunteer Trainings

All returning volunteers are required to attend a mandatory volunteer training annually for youth protection. If you have an email on file in the 4HOnline system, you will be receiving instructions soon on how to complete the online training module for Policy 1.50/Youth Activities and Programs. If you are unable to complete the online version, we are offering an in-person opportunity to complete this training on March 14, 2022 at the Belmont County Extension office. Two sessions will be held; one at 10:00 am and one at 6:00 pm. If you wish to attend an in-person session on March 14th, contact Tracey at the Extension office by March 11<sup>th</sup> to register.

New volunteers are not required to attend the mandatory training posted above as we complete the requirement during orientation.

## Volunteer Fingerprinting

Every 4 years, volunteers are required to be re-printed and have their background screening repeated. Volunteers who are due to get re-screened this year were mailed notification and instructions in December. Call the Extension office if you have any questions. **The state deadline for fingerprinting is March 15, 2022.**

## 2022 Project Update

### WHAT'S BRAND NEW

365.00 > 3D Printing  
365.00 > PhysBot – Your 4-H Fitness Tracker  
365.00 > Disability Advocacy and Awareness  
365.04 > Going Green: Learning to Lead a Sustainable Life  
434 > Superhero You

### WHAT'S REVISED or REPLACED (old title)

127 > Dairy Calf, Heifer, and Cow Project and Record Book (now combined)  
370 > Mentoring: Leadership in Action (*Mentoring: One on One*)  
476 > Kitchen Boss (*Pathways to Culinary Success*)

### **2022 County Camp Dates:**

May 7 & 8 – Horse Kick-Off  
June 3-5 – Shooting Sports Camp  
June 19-22 – Junior 4-H Camp  
July 19 – Cloverbud Camp

**JOIN US AT THE SAVE CAMP  
PIEDMONT BENEFIT ON  
MARCH 26<sup>TH</sup>! SEE THE  
ENCLOSED FLYER FOR  
MORE INFORMATION.**



## Belmont County 4-H Scholarship

Each year, 4-H Council sponsors up to five \$1,000 scholarships to current members of Belmont County 4-H who have received or are on target to receive a high school diploma. Deadline to apply is April 10<sup>th</sup>. The scholarship application is now available at the Extension office, on the county website, or from your school guidance counselor.

## Ohio 4-H Week March 6-12, 2022

Help us celebrate Ohio 4-H Week in your community, school, or at your business! This is a great time to recruit new people into the program! Invite your friends to a club meeting, send in a story and photo to the newspaper about your club, or create a 4-H display in your school, in a business window, on a business sign or in a community center. Spread the word on why "4-H Makes the Best Better!"

4-H Council will pay \$25 to each club for completing at least one display that promotes 4-H between March 6-12. Send a photo, including location, of your display via email to [dickerson.300@osu.edu](mailto:dickerson.300@osu.edu) or regular mail to the Extension office by March 14<sup>th</sup>.

4-H Shirt Day is Friday, March 11, 2022. Wear your favorite 4-H apparel to school and/or work. Let everyone know you are a proud supporter of 4-H and encourage them to get involved!

# Livestock Project News

The Belmont County Junior and Senior Fair Boards have implemented the following rules for 2022:

**Market Steer** will be divided into the following classes:

Light Weight Steers (1,000 – 1,166 lbs.)

Medium Weight Steers (1,167-1,333 lbs.)

Heavy Weight Steers (1,334 – 1,500 lbs.)

**Market Goats** must be born between December 1, 2021 and April 30, 2022.

**Lamb & Goat** mandatory weigh-in will take place in person on June 4, 2022 from 8:00 am-10:00 am at the Belmont County Fairgrounds. All goats must be dehorned, castrated, and Scrapie tagged by this date.

Look for more livestock information to come via email soon!

## New for 2022:

Youth taking multiple projects that utilize the same species record book in any of these 3 species - Beef, Poultry, or Goats – will only be required to complete one Project Record Book per species, and then only record-keeping pages for the additional projects for that species. This eliminates repeating much of the same information in the front of the record book. The photocopied pages must be ones supplied by the 4-H office. They are free of charge and will be included in the club book order for pick up. Advisors, please make a note of this on your order form. Also, each project will still be required to have a one-page report.



## Horse News

The Belmont County PAS Show will take place Saturday, June 11<sup>th</sup>, at the **Belmont Saddle Club**. More information will come in the horse packets. You may also want to mark your calendars for the Guernsey County PAS the following day on June 12<sup>th</sup>.

## MAKE A NOTE OF THESE IMPORTANT 4-H DATES:

### MARCH

12 – Ohio 4-H Conference

15 – Volunteer Fingerprinting Deadline

26 – Camp Piedmont Benefit

### APRIL

1 – Enrollment Deadline

9 – Livestock Quality Assurance at Barnesville Middle School

\*More LQA dates in April to be announced soon!

### MAY

7-8 – Horse Kick-Off

### JUNE

3-5 – Shooting Sports Camp

4 – Lamb & Goat Weigh-In

11 – Belmont County Horse PAS Show

16 – Belmont County PAS Rain Date

19-22 – Junior 4-H Camp

21 – Ohio State Fair Livestock Entries Due

### JULY

9 – Shooting Sports Project Judging

12 – Still Project Judging at Union Local High School

18 – State Fair Horse Show Begins

19 – Cloverbud Day Camp

July 27-Aug. 7 – Ohio State Fair

### AUGUST

9 – Skillathon at Union Local HS

13 – Rabbit Round-Up

16 – Skillathon & Still Project Make Up at Extension office

### SEPTEMBER

5-11 – Belmont County Fair

## PROJECT JUDGING CHANGES FOR 2022

### STILL PROJECT JUDGING

Still Projects will be judged on Tuesday, July 12<sup>th</sup>, at Union Local High School. This is a change from the last couple years at the Wise building. The school will provide better accommodations for waiting and judging. More info will come in the next months regarding times and schedule.

### LIVESTOCK PROJECT JUDGING AND SKILLATHON

Also a change for 2022, Livestock Project Judging and Skillathon will take place on 1 day at Union Local High School on Tuesday, August 9<sup>th</sup>. Times and other information will be released closer to the date. We are changing it up a little this year with the skills stations, project book requirements, and interview portion, so be on the lookout in the next month for an email letting you know how to prepare and what to study per species. As a reminder, all youth enrolled in livestock projects should have a resource book to study and also a record book or record pages for judging.

Project Judging Make Up Date for both Still Projects and Livestock Skillathon will take place August 16<sup>th</sup>. Time & Location to be determined.

## 2022 Livestock Quality Assurance

Livestock Quality Assurance (LQA) Certification is required for all youth exhibiting a market animal, lactating dairy cow or lactating dairy goat at the Belmont County Fair. Certification can be obtained in two ways: Youth can participate in an LQA program provided by OSU Extension or by participating in a test out option.

### LQA Program Dates

- Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 am  
Barnesville Middle School, 970 Shamrock Dr., Barnesville, OH
- We are securing more dates for LQA sessions for later in April on a couple weeknights. We will send info via email and on our Facebook page as soon as we finalize plans.

### LQA Test Out Option

All youth 12-14 years of age may take an LQA test designed for their age group. If they pass with a score of 70% or higher, the youth will be certified in LQA until they turn 15 years old. All youth 15-18 years of age may take an LQA test designed for their age group. If they pass the test with a score of 70% or higher, the youth will be certified in LQA for the remainder of their Junior Fair years. Important note, the test out option is only available to those who have participated in at least one Belmont County Livestock Quality Assurance program. If a youth fails the LQA test, they will be required to attend an LQA program to be eligible to show at the fair this year.

We are offering test outs on the following dates:

- February 24 – 4:00-5:30 at the Wise Building
- March 24 – 4:00-5:30 at the Wise Building
- Or by appointment at the Extension Office



### 2022 Ohio Youth Poultry Clinic

March 19, 2022 from 8:30 am-4:00 pm

The Ohio State University ATI

1328 Dover Rd., Wooster, OH

Cost: \$20 per youth and \$25 per adult

Deadline: Registration and payment postmarked by 3/2/22.

Topics: Eggs, Turkey Eval, Anatomy, Careers, Quality Assurance, Mortality Disposal, Selection & Show Prep

**Call the Extension office for a Registration form**

## BELMONT COUNTY 4-H HANDBOOK

We are bringing back the county 4-H Handbook this year. The Handbook is a great resource for projects, county rules, deadlines, judging, etc. Once the Handbook is finalized, we will mail a paper copy out to each family enrolled in 4-H. Be on the lookout for your copy in the next weeks!



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The Clover Chronicle is published quarterly, with a special fair edition in August. Due to rising costs of postal rates, the newsletter is offered electronically via email, unless other arrangements have been made through the 4-H office. In between newsletters, additional information will be shared primarily through the 4HOnline email system. These emails will have "Belmont County" in the subject line. Information is also shared on the Belmont County 4-H Facebook page and through the Belmont County 4-H website.

### FYF: For Your Fridge

#### FEBRUARY

- 24 – LQA Test-Out, 4:00-5:30, Wise Bldg.
- 24 – Teen Ambassadors Mtg., 5:00, Wise Bldg.
- 24 – Jr./Sr. Fair Board Mtgs., 6:00 & 8:00, Fairgrounds

#### MARCH

- 2 – Camp Counselor Training, 6:00, Wise Bldg.
- 3 – 4-H Council Mtg., 6:00, Extension Office
- 10 – Horse Committee Mtg., 6:00, Extension Office
- 11 – Registration Deadline for In-Person Policy 1.50 vol. Training
- 6-12 – Ohio 4-H Week
- 12 – Ohio 4-H Conference
- 14 – Policy 1.50 In Person, 10:00 & 6:00, Extension Office
- 15 – Volunteer Fingerprinting Deadline
- 15 – Livestock Sale Comm. Mtg., 6:00, Sr. Fair Board
- 16 – Camp Counselor Training, 6:00, Wise Bldg.
- 17 – Carteens, 6:00, Extension Office
- 24 – LQA Test-Out, 4:00-5:30, Wise Bldg.
- 24 – Teen Ambassadors, 5:00, Wise Bldg.
- 24 – Jr./Sr. Fair Board Mtgs., 6:00 & 8:00, Fairgrounds
- 26 – Camp Piedmont Benefit, Buckeye Career Center
- 31 – Carteens, 6:00, Extension Office

#### APRIL

- 1 – 4-H Enrollment Deadline
- 6 – Camp Counselor Training, 6:00, Wise Bldg.
- 7 – 4-H Council Mtg., 6:00, Extension Office
- 9 – Livestock Quality Assurance, 10:00, Barnesville Middle School
- 10 – 4-H Scholarship Application Due
- 12 – Carteens, 6:00, Extension Office
- 14 – Horse Committee Mtg., 6:00, Extension Office
- 15 – Camp Counselor Training/Piedmont U at Pritchard-Laughlin Center
- 20 – 4-H Scholarship Interviews, Extension Office
- 21 – Carteens, 6:00, Extension Office
- 28 – Teen Ambassadors Mtg., 5:00, Wise Building
- 28 – Jr./Sr. Fair Board Mtgs., 6:00 & 8:00, Fairgrounds

#### MAY

- 4 – Camp Counselor Training, 6:00, Wise Bldg.
- 7-8 – Horse Kick-Off
- 12 – Horse Committee Mtg., 6:00, Extension Office
- 18 – Camp Counselor Training, 6:00, Wise Bldg.
- 19 – Carteens, 6:00, Extension Office
- 25 – Horse Ride Night, 6:00, Fairgrounds
- 26 – Teen Ambassadors, 5:00, Wise Bldg.
- 26 – Jr./Sr. Fair Board Mtgs., 6:00 & 8:00, Fairgrounds
- 31 – Carteens, 6:00, Extension Office







MARCH 26, 2022

# 4-H CAMP PIEDMONT BENEFIT

BUCKEYE CAREER CENTER BEGINNING AT 4PM

DINNER KIDS' AUCTION LIVE AUCTION  
SILENT AUCTION RAFFLE TICKETS

4-H Camp Piedmont offers youth from 8 counties the opportunity to experience camp. These counties are Belmont, Carroll, Guernsey, Harrison, Jefferson, Monroe, Noble and Tuscarawas.

Camp Piedmont has been a tradition for multiple generations of 4-H'ers throughout our area and we are in need of your help.

## JOIN US FOR A FUN-FILLED NIGHT!

**Beginning at 4:00pm**

Spaghetti Dinner- by donation, dine-in or carry out

Silent Auction - continues all evening

Kids' Auction - fun items for all ages

**Beginning at 5:30pm and continues all evening**

Live Auction - Quilt Raffle - Gun Raffles - And More

Win a chance to "Pie in the Face" a local favorite!

## Follow us on Facebook for updates!

Unable to attend? We will be holding a Facebook Auction the week before our big event!



## Save Camp Piedmont Benefit

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