

Holmes County 4-H Update

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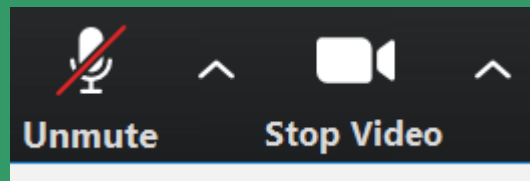
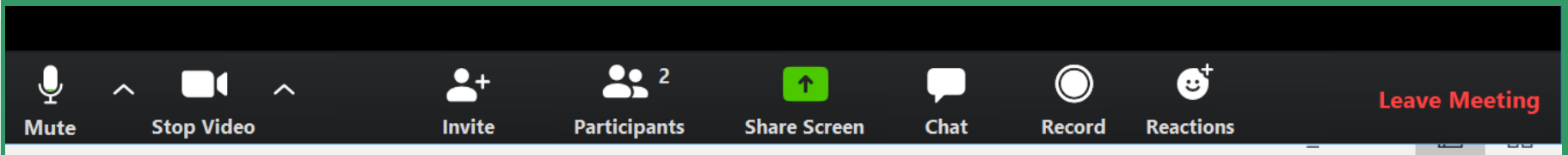
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Welcome

Zoom tutorial



All 4-H events, programs, and activities scheduled between now and July 6, 2020 will be held virtually, postponed, or cancelled.



Dear 4-H Families and volunteers,

It is with a heavy heart that I share this news with you. Due to ongoing health concerns related to the COVID-19 pandemic, the decision has been made to cancel all Ohio State University Extension in-person programming through July 6. This includes all 4-H programs, activities, and events. Additionally, we've made the very difficult decision to cancel all 4-H camps thru August 31. Although in-person programming is cancelled, we will continue to offer virtual 4-H experiences.

We know this is an incredible disappointment and recognize how much everyone looks forward to our cherished 4-H summer events. As 4-H professionals committed to providing positive youth development programming, we share your sense of loss.

Given available information, we anticipate the next few weeks and months will continue to be critical times for stemming the spread of the COVID-19 virus. It is our duty to keep ourselves and those we serve safe through the education we provide and the modeling of safety-conscious behaviors. We do not want to get to the other side of this pandemic and wish that we had done more to keep our future generation of leaders safe and healthy.



While we are making decisions regarding the youth events we organize and manage (such as camps and 4-H project judging), we are deferring to local decision-makers and Governor DeWine's administration on the events owned by others, such as county fairs. Our decision to cancel in-person 4-H activities and events through July 6 and summer camps, should not automatically imply that local county fairs are also canceled at this time. Please keep in mind that 4-H and our FFA colleagues support the education and development of youth, but the decision about whether fairs will occur is in the hands of others. This continues to be an evolving situation that will require some negotiation and monitoring depending on decisions. We will be ready should fairs move forward and to pivot if they are cancelled.

As we work through the impact of these decisions for 4-H activities and events in the weeks ahead, county OSU Extension 4-H professionals will share important updates and information with you as we develop and provide new online opportunities. We know the experiences will be different than we had hoped, yet we remain committed to working together to grow future generations of true leaders.



4-H Project Books

- This year, books will need to be ordered individually by families and shipped directly to each household.
- Order at: Thanks for sharing the link.

***Coupon codes are very close to being ready! 20% off or free shipping.

- Emails will be sent in 4-H online when ordering with coupon is ready. If families order now, they will not receive a reduced price and will pay full shipping.
- Some project books have been uploaded online for free at <https://ohio4h.org/stayathomeprojects>



Enrollment & Deadlines

April 1, for renewing members

June 1 for new members

2020- Enrollment numbers thus far- 382



SFB updates

The Holmes County Senior Fair Board met via a Zoom format Thursday evening. As planned, decisions regarding pre-fair activities were discussed and adjusted for events thru June 15th. With the added restrictions put out on Wednesday evening extending the no-contact policies for OSU Extension functions to July 6th, the fair board will address that period of time on or before their May 14th meeting. The board is moving forward with every intention that there will be a fair starting August 10th! At this point we do not know exactly what this will look like, but we will work tirelessly to ensure that our 4H and FFA youth have an opportunity to complete their projects, whatever that may look like when we get to that time. Here are the immediate changes approved by the board:



Livestock Tagging info

- The 2020 fair book will be posted on-line by the end of the month or sooner.
- All rules and schedules will be subject to change as we move forward, so please keep abreast of this very fluid situation. We will attempt a printed version of the book at some point before the fair once we feel the majority of changes have occurred.
- All physical tag-ins scheduled to occur in May are cancelled. This includes Swine, Dairy Feeders, Beef Feeders, Goats and Lambs. Rate of gain awards for any of these species will not be given in 2020. Information will be forthcoming on how tag-ins will occur upon entry to the fair.
- Possession deadline is June 1, 2020, for animals to be exhibited at the Holmes County Fair.
- Exhibitors must follow existing guidelines to ensure that their project is enrolled by June 1. Additional information will be forthcoming.
- All market lambs exhibited at the Holmes County Fair in 2020 must have a Scrapie tag.



Dairy/ Beef Feeder Vaccinations

- Dairy Feeders- Bovishield Gold One Shot at least 28 days prior to fair
- Beef Feeders- One shot and Inforce 3IN at least 28 days prior to the fair.
- Questions- Fair Vet Dr. Eric Shaver East Holmes Vet Clinic



Quality Assurance

Online option now available

Test out Option now available

In person dates looking to set in July!



Jr. Horse Show

Junior Horse Show:

With the cancellation of 4-H horse shows and PAS qualifying shows, the PAS and Dressage qualifying requirements for this year's Junior Horse Show are waived.

The show will be limited to 850 entries (~100 more than we typically see) on a first-come, first-serve basis with priority given to senior 4-H/FFA members in their last year of eligibility.

Exhibitors are still required to enter and pay the \$50 stall fee online at ohiostatefair.com.

Exhibitors are still required to email you a copy of their equine's current negative Coggins test (dated after January 1, 2020).

Exhibitors will be emailing Janessa a list of the classes in which they will or have entered.

This information (Coggins tests and XL form) are due via email (or Box upload) by Monday, July 6 at 1:00pm. You can require an earlier deadline for the Coggins test and class list if needed.



Resources for clubs to meet virtually

We've created space on the Ohio 4-H website for information advisors can use over the next few weeks. Find it at go.osu.edu/4Hadvisorinfo.



Upcoming....

Please be patient coming soon....



Questions?!

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Resources

go.osu.edu/4Hadvisorinfo

<http://codes.ohio.gov/oac/901-19-39v1>

<https://holmes.osu.edu/>

