

Lyd's Landing

Fayette County



November 24, 2025

OSU Extension Holiday Hours

Thanksgiving Closures are November 27-28, 2025.

Office closures: Christmas -December 24-25, 2025, University Winter Recess December 26-31

New Years Day Closure Occurring January 1, 2026. We will return to the office January 2, 2026

NEW/Returning Member Enrollment - **BEGAN NOVEMBER 1**

4-H enrollment deadline, is March 1st here in Fayette County, to take advantage of all 4-H opportunities including participation in Fair. Must enter projects when enrolling.

- Enroll through club (no paper enrollment forms) [Use4-H Online2.0](#)

The Help Sheets and additional information on the enrollment process can be found [HERE](#).

NEW Volunteer/Club Applications- **BEGAN NOVEMBER 1**

If you are planning to join an existing club, you must work with the current advisors and get approval prior to submitting an application.

Fingerprint background check need to be complete prior to training! Advisor approval and letter must be sent prior to working with youth. <https://fayette.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/volunteers>

Applications due no later than January 5, 2026

New Advisor Training January 8 at 6:00 pm

Market Cattle Tag-Ins

December 6, 2025.

Mark your calendars! You can refer to the 2025 Fair Book for general guidelines and expectations.

- All Market Beef must be owned by December 1, 2025.
- Exhibitors may tag up to 5 Market Beef animals at the December 6 weigh-in.
- Market Heifers may be tagged and will be shown in Market Beef classes at the Fair with the steers.
- All Market beef are recommended to be 425 - 850 pounds at weigh-in on December 6, 2025.
- Exhibitors may show a maximum of 2 market beef in the regular Junior Fair Market Beef Show.
- All Market Beef must be dehorned, castrated, and healed by weigh-in on December 6, 2025.

A photograph showing a person in a blue shirt and gloves tagging a cow's ear with a metal tagger. The cow is restrained in a metal cage.

**2026 Fayette Co.
Market Cattle Tag-In**

Tag-In/Weigh-In
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2025
9:00 - 10:30 a.m.
Location: Beef Barn

Ohio State Fair DNA Kits Available

Required for: Market Dairy Steers
Market Beef Steers
Market Beef Heifers

Market Beef DNA Sample Kits

The Ohio State Fair requires all market beef entered in the 2026 Ohio State Fair to have individual DNA samples taken from each animal that may potentially be entered. These DNA samples must be in the possession of the Ohio State Fair by January 15. DNA Kits will be picked up and available through the Mahan after November 17th.

Also note that youth showing at any of the BEST sanctioned shows must have EID tags in their calves prior to the first show in which they exhibit.



4-H Achievement Awards

4-H members, 14 and above, are encouraged to complete an Ohio 4-H Achievement form. The 2026 Achievement form is posted at: <https://ohio4h.org/awardsandscholarships>

Due to the Extension office January 16th.

This is the equivalent to the FFA Proficiency Awards for 4-H.

[What is the Ohio 4-H Achievement Record?](https://ohio4h.org/awardsandscholarships)

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– All information about the achievement record can be found here, including recording of past 4-H Achievement Award Workshops, the above flyer, details for completing the form, etc.

Save the Date! TLC is hosting a virtual informational session about the Achievement Record on Sunday, October 12th at 6:30pm. It will be recorded and there is an option to RSVP to receive the recording. RSVP at <https://go.osu.edu/achform25>.

Ohio 4-H stance on artificial intelligence (AI) use

Artificial intelligence (AI) may be used to extend learning and assist in creation for Ohio 4-H projects. AI is meant to support a 4-H member's work, much like asking other 4-H members or adults for help and is not intended as a replacement for the member's original thoughts and efforts. If AI is used, it should be acknowledged as a tool when showcasing their project such as during demonstrations and judging, etc. For more information, please visit go.osu.edu/4HAI.

****Publications Price Adjustment****

In the 2026 Ohio 4-H Project Guide, the standard project book price is \$12. Bulletins and 4-H resource handbooks vary in price based on page count. This move to a tier-pricing structure is intended to create pricing consistency over formats, regardless of distribution numbers. Extension Publishing is committed to changing prices only once a year, in the fall, across all program areas. This pricing schedule is intended to remain in place for the upcoming three to five years. Learning Lab Kits are not affected by this increase.

Purchasing publications through the club via the Extension office will still be the best price for members. It allows for in-state price, tax exempt and no shipping cost to members. (This is not an Ohio 4-H decision).



Fairs and Exhibitions FAQ and Hot Topics Edition

ODA's new Livestock Exhibition rules that were put in place May 2024, the Division of Animal Health has put together a special Fairs and Exhibitions Edition Newsletter. It covers a lot of great topics and has Non-Livestock references, rules and regulations, and FAQ documents in one place. The newsletter includes 5 of the major FAQ questions, RFID tags and wand reader information, Ringworm disease information, and who to contact if you have questions or want ODA to speak at an event (4H groups, extension agents, fair board, etc.). [ODA NEWSLETTER](#)

Interested in a livestock/animal project, or just want more information to help decide if it is the right match for you? These QR Codes take you to various species team pages within the university, the Ohio Department of Agriculture's website with the rules and regulations connected to Livestock Exhibition, Ohio State Fair Livestock Rules/Information, Ohio 4-H Animal Science Resources, Animal Science Factsheets and more....

Ohio State Fair Livestock Rules



ODA Livestock Exhibitions



Ohio Youth Livestock Exhibition Rules



<https://www.ohiostatefair.com/p/get-involved/livestock/livestock-competitions>

<https://agri.ohio.gov/divisions/animal-health/Livestock+Exhibitions>

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

Ohio 4-H Animal Sciences Resources



Animal Sciences Factsheets



Fayette County Fair Website



<https://ohio4h.org/animalsciences>

<https://ansci.osu.edu/extension/factsheets-0>

<http://fayettecofairoh.com/>

OSU Extension Swine Team



OSU Extension Poultry Team



OSU Extension Small Ruminant Team



OSU Extension Dairy Team



OSU Extension Beef Team



Fayette County 4-H Fundraiser

The Fayette County 4-H Committee are selling these awesome 4-H Signs, \$40! Proceeds from this fundraiser will be put back into the program to assist youth through scholarships (senior and camping), youth who cannot afford membership dues or project books, in addition to updating the 4-H Chuckwagon that all clubs work at during the Fayette County Fair.

By purchasing one of these amazing metal 4-H signs you will be supporting a local business and the 4-H program! The signs are 13"x 14" and weigh 2lbs 8oz. They are heavy-duty, durable, and can be displayed anywhere. Whether you are a 4-H alumni of the county or a current member this sign would make a fantastic gift or keepsake to honor your time as a member or even as one of our amazing volunteers.

If your interested in purchasing your very own, please contact the Extension office 740-335-1150 or stop in and place your order today! We do ask that you pay at the time of ordering.



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Additional Resources

[Fayette County Extension Website](#)

[Enrollment Information](#) – Due March 1, 2025

[4-H Project Guide](#)

[Quality Assurance](#) – must be completed 45 days prior to exhibition

[Volunteers](#)

Important Dates

Thanksgiving Office Closure – 11/27-28/2025

Market Beef Tag-In – 12/6/2025

Christmas Office Closure – 12/24-25/2025

Winter Recess Office Closure– 12/26-31/2025

New Years Office Closure – 1/1/2026

New Advisor Applications Due – 1/5/2025

New Advisor Training – 1/8/2026



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