

Stark County 4-H Youth Program 2017 Project Guidelines



(Please note: Project Guidelines may be updated as State Fair and ODA requirements may change)

Stark County Junior Fair/4-H Website: <http://www.starkcountyjrfair4h.com> all livestock rules, learning activities for Skillathon, etc.

2017 Stark County 4-H Clothing Project Guidelines and Food & Nutrition Project Guidelines and procedures here:

4H CLOTHING: Posted: <http://starkcountyjrfair4h.com/clothing-sewing/project-guidelines/>

4H FOODS: Posted: <http://starkcountyjrfair4h.com/food-nutrition/project-guidelines/>

Ohio 4-H Animal Science Information, dog, horse, livestock and companion animal:
<http://www.ohio4h.org/statewide-programs/animal-sciences/companion-animals>

Ohio State Fair Non-livestock Project Guidelines, Dates and Requirements:
<http://www.ohio4h.org/families/ohio-state-fair/state-fair-4-h-non-livestock-guidebook>

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2017 Stark County 4-H Non-livestock Judging Events and Dates- SUMMARY

2017 Stark County 4-H Extravaganza- Foods/Nutrition- Dogs/Book Judging; Cloverbud Sharing;
Saturday, July 15, 2017

Location: Stark County Fairgrounds- Exhibition Hall- same location Registration at 8:45am.-10am- awards announced no sooner than 12:30pm. 4-H Members in ALL non-livestock 4H projects must have completed their 4H project book, member project guidelines, listed in front 2-3 pages of each non-livestock book AND make and bring a poster or notebook of members' accomplishments and learning in each project to be judged. **NO ANIMALS PERMITTED AT JUDGING.**

2017 Stark County 4-H Clothing & Style Review ; Tuesday, July 18, 2017

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Style Revue: 7pm

Arrive 6:15pm to dress and practice.

Skillathon Requirement for 4-H Foods & 4-H Clothing Projects: View Food/Nutrition and Sewing/Clothing Stark County 4-H guidelines for judging requirements. Members attending food and clothing skillathons were given their project guidelines and judging requirements. Food & Clothing Skillathons are required- if your member did not attend they must contact Ann Wolfe, 4H Home Ec Committee President to schedule a makeup: awolfepak@gmail.com ; 330-904-7722

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Extravaganza

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County Judging-Each 4-H youth member must:

1. Complete the Member Project Guidelines listed on beginning pages of project book(s).
2. Bring completed project book to judging.
3. Can choose 1 or 2 items from their project to display for the judge. (Must be able to be carried by **youth only**.)
4. Member must design and present a poster board/display board/note book to the judge. Design your display to demonstrate your accomplishments and share your learning experience. Use the display as an outline as you share your project experiences.

Cloverbud Sharing (Non-competitive Group Sharing Circles of 10):

Each Cloverbud should make a poster to share with group sharing circles of ten. Poster should help "Bud" share/talk about their fun and learning activities. Adults are suggested to help with poster design and practice sharing.

Ohio 4-H Equine Safety and Ethics Required Program, Stark County:

1. Each family must read and sign (parents & youth) Horse Safety 191R, once. Keep as resource.
2. Every youth and parent must annually read and sign the "Permission to Participate Form", returning it to the OSUE Office by March 15th. Advisors MUST keep an updated file of signed forms.
3. Each youth and parent/guardian must annually view two videos, *Every Time, Every Rider* and *Horses, Kids and Ethics*. Best if viewed in a county wide setting. Materials may be scheduled/returned by club from the 4-H Office. Must sign a viewed sign-in list and return to Extension Office.
4. 4-H Club Advisor must maintain a list of participants who completed these requirements. **All requirements MUST be completed, documented and kept in club file by 4H Club Advisor for any 4-H youth to participate in any horse project.**
5. **Horse Project Identification Forms MUST be submitted to Extension Office by June 1, annually, no exceptions.**

Ohio 4-H Horse Program Helmet Policy, as of January 1, 2010

This includes ALL 4-H club riding meetings, practice, trail rides and horse shows. Following is the wording as it is stated in the 2010 Uniform Rules for 4-H Horse Shows with regards to the new helmet policy.

"All youth age 19 and under, participating in any 4-H equestrian activity, are required to wear properly fitted protective headgear which meets or exceeds current ASTM (American Society for Testing and Materials)/SEI (Safety Equipment Institute) standards with the chin harness securely fastened at all times while riding or driving an equine. It is the responsibility of the rider, or the parent or guardian of the youth participant, to make sure that the headgear worn complies with appropriate safety standards for protective headgear intended for equestrian use, and is properly fitted and in good condition. The Ohio 4-H Horse Program, Show Committees, Officials, Extension Personnel and Volunteer Leaders are not responsible for checking headgear worn for such compliance. The Ohio 4-H Horse Program, Show Committees, Officials, Extension Personnel and Volunteer Leaders make no representation or warranty, expressed or implied, about any protective headgear, and cautions riders that death or serious injury may result despite wearing such headgear, as no helmet can protect against all foreseeable injuries in equestrian activities. The Ohio 4-H Horse Program, Show Committees, Officials, Extension Personnel and Volunteer Leaders may, at his/her discretion, check a participant's protective headgear for proper standards. If the youth is found to be wearing unapproved, defective, or improperly fitted headgear, he/she will not be permitted to participate in riding or driving activities until proper headgear is acquired."

FOR ALL PROJECTS:

Note: Please review 4-H Advisor Book Order Form and Family Guide for required supplements and resource books designed for a successful, safe and educational project. The following is taken from state 4-H guidelines: "For a member to achieve the progression of goals needed for development, 4-H projects must be separate and different from those carried in other organizations, such as FHA/HERO, FFA, Scouts, Grange, Church, School, (including industrial arts class, science fairs) etc. Members are encouraged to complete more than the minimum requirements. Any bird feathers, except legal game species and **ALL** bird nests are protected under the state and federal laws and are not permitted to be collected, processed or part of any display. It may be permissible for a 4-Her to create a collection of such items, but only for educational purposes and **ONLY** with a state and federal collector's permit. For such a permit, the 4-Her would need to contact the Ohio Department of Natural Resources Division of Wildlife and inquire about applying for a collector's permit. **NO ANIMALS are permitted to be taken to Extravaganza judging.** The Stark County 4-H Advisory Committee supports this decision. Due to the nature of exotic and "pet" animals, current health guidelines/requirements may not be available. Therefore, for the health and safety of all animals, judges and youth **NO ANIMALS will be permitted at Extravaganza Judging or Demonstrations.** Members should adjust the topic of the project &/or demonstration or use model animals if necessary. Youth who bring an animal will be asked to remove the animal from the judging area before they will be permitted to be judged. 4-H HORSE project area has their own demonstration/public speaking events at state level.

ALL 4-H LIVESTOCK & HORSE Projects:

Ohio 4-H Horse Program: <http://www.ohio4h.org/statewide-programs/animal-sciences/horse>

1. Complete Member Project Guidelines as outlined in project book.
2. Complete all record information in the project/record book.
3. All Livestock Quality Assurance and Horse Safety & Ethics requirements must be completed.
4. Species Resource Handbook(s) is required for use as a project supplement (one time purchase).

5. See Stark County Junior Fair Rules for interview judging or skill-a-thon, clinic dates, registration deadlines and other required information. <http://starkcountyjrfair4h.com/2017/02/05/2017-rules-entry-forms-posted/>
6. #173 Horseless Horse is to be evaluated on Horse Project Skillathon Day, before Stark County Fair.

Stark County 4-H Non-livestock/Miscellaneous & Home Economics Project Judging: Saturday, July 15, 2017 (9-10:30am registration) Stark County 4-H Non-livestock Project Extravaganza Judging; 4-H Foods and Nutrition Judging; 4-H Dog Book Judging; and 4-H Cloverbud Sharing- Stark County Fairgrounds Exhibition Building-Awards Ceremony No sooner than 12:30pm. Tuesday, July 18, 2017 Stark County 4-H Clothing Judging (1pm) - Registration 1-2:30pm & Style Revue (7pm) at Paradise Church, 619 E Main St, Louisville, Ohio. **NO ANIMALS are permitted to be taken to Extravaganza judging.** Due to nature of exotic and “pet” animals, current health guidelines/requirements may not be available. Therefore, for the health and safety of all animals, judges and youth **NO ANIMALS will be permitted at Extravaganza Judging.** You may bring photographs and a display depicting your educational project experiences. Thank you for your adherence to this rule.

Award Ceremony will begin immediately following judging, NO EARLIER THAN 12:30pm, but could be later.

Demonstrations: Thursday, July 20, 2017- 4-H Demonstration Contest at Extension Office- RG Drage. 10am (Must pre-register by July 1, 2017). There will be NO ANIMALS PERMITTED for County Demonstrations. Members should adjust the topic of the demonstration or use model animals if necessary. No HORSE topics at this event. Horse project members have their own public speaking events.

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SPECIAL NEEDS? PLEASE NOTE: Stark County 4-H will make every effort to assist 4-H member’s with special physical, learning and emotional needs. Please contact David Crawford at 330-832-9856 x3475 BEFORE judging or fair activities in order to prepare judges and committees for youngsters “special needs”. We will keep everything as private as possible to help and provide our 4-H members a great experience. Thanks for all you do!!!

Ohio State Fair Class Requirements-if selected for Non-livestock 4-H events and guidelines on-line and calendar. Please take a look to see 4-H projects, dates, locations and times. It’s great to plan ahead if your youngster/member gets chosen to represent Stark County 4-H for their accomplishments! 2017 Calendars for Ohio State Fair 4-H Non-livestock Project Judging Dates Posted Ohio State Fair Non-livestock Project Guidelines and Requirements: <http://www.ohio4h.org/families/ohio-state-fair/state-fair-4-h-non-livestock-guidebook>

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5. Be prepared to answer questions regarding your project.

Ohio 4-H Dog Program

Dog Projects: New- #200 All About Dogs-for beginning level members who may or may not have a dog. 4-H Dog Project & Record Book #201 and new 201R Dog Resource Handbook. Please register each dog project separately as: 201D-first year dog owned project - recommended to complete this portion of project annually; 201O-Obedience for beginning-advanced; 201S-Showmanship; 201P-Performance-includes agility, drill team & other performance events; 201W-Working Dogs-includes all service dog projects. Visit the **Ohio 4-H Dog Program Website** for new information, dates, calendar and guidelines at: <http://www.ohio4h.org/statewide-programs/animal-sciences/dog>

4-H youth must:

1. Complete Member Project Activities for beginning, intermediate or advanced youth, please complete at least five activities annually.
2. Members must choose one dog project to be interviewed for and complete county interviews at Extravaganza. 4-H Dog Youth will be interviewed at Extravaganza. Bring your completed project dog book, activities and a notebook or display board of your learning accomplishments. Must register on day 9-10:30am to be judged.
3. Dog members MUST complete and submit Permission To Participate Form to extension Office by March 15th annually.
4. **SERVICE DOG PROJECT (Special permission required-contact OSUE/4-H Office).**

***ALL Must follow respective county requirements as well as those for State Fair.

5. 4-H Dog members may enter Stark County Jr fair Show. Must meet registration deadline and form requirements Posted at: <http://starkcountyjrfair4h.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/04/2017-STARK-4H-DOG-MEMBER-PACKET.pdf>

Ohio State Fair 4-H Dog Show Information: Counties will no longer need to have qualifying shows for 4-H or FFA members to show at the Ohio State Fair Dog Show (this includes Dog Care). Youth must make entries directly to the Ohio State Fair by their deadline. 4-H advisors and Extension personnel must sign the entry forms verifying that the youth and dog(s) are eligible to show in the classes entered. Entries are not limited to a certain number of youth per county per class; however State Fair Participation Rules must be followed and there are limitations to the number of dogs and classes an individual youth can enter.

<http://www.ohio4h.org/statewide-programs/animal-sciences/dog>

CATS #216-218

1. Complete Member Project Guidelines on page 2 of each manual.
2. Do NOT bring your cat to the county interview at Extravaganza.
3. Be prepared to answer questions on care, feeding, health, nutrition and handling of your cat.
4. Use #214R to keep accurate records of food and veterinarian costs.
5. Bring to interview any toys, scratching post and water with container.
6. Do NOT bring cat to Extravaganza, bring a record of the activities you completed.

SMALL ANIMAL #220

1. Complete Member Project Guidelines on page 2.
2. Complete Small Animal Record Book (214R) each year.
3. An additional supplement 220R- Small Animal Resource Handbook is available.
4. Do NOT bring small animal to county judging at Extravaganza. Bring a record of activities, pictures, display.

SELF-DETERMINED PROJECT #365 1. Self-Determined project falls into one of two categories:

- A. An expansion of a completed project that goes beyond the scope of the completed project.
- B. Development of a project not currently offered. Member and Advisor should check with 4-H Agent to determine where the project fits.

2. Self-Determined projects may fall into the Home Economics area or the miscellaneous area.
3. Self-determined projects may or may not be eligible for State Fair competition.
4. For evaluation – Complete Project Guidelines on cover of book. In addition to completed book, bring the plan developed, any materials or items made for the project, and records showing money spent to complete project. Each year, 4-H members may use the Self Determined Project Guide to explore a topic that is presently unavailable as a statewide project. This publication allows members to outline the areas of interest and activities they wish to

conduct over the course of their project. Order one "Self Determined Project Guide" for each self determined project that you wish to take. (Note: Be sure to check out our list of Idea Starter topics for a Self Determined project.)

5. DO NOT bring animals to judging at Extravaganza. Bring a record of activities, pictures, display.

IDEA STARTERS - Self Determined Project Resources

"Idea Starters" may be just the thing to get you started in an area that interests you. Use these two page publications as a resource for your Self Determined project. You may choose to do a little or a lot depending on your level of interest in any of these topics. Use in conjunction with the 4-H 365 Self-Determined Project Guide. For the latest listing of Project Idea Starters, contact your county OSU Extension office or visit our web page at www.ag.ohio-state.edu/~idea. If an Idea Starter is unavailable for the topic you wish to explore, you can still explore the topic of your choice by using only the 4-H 365 Self-Determined Project Guide.

365.01-Astronomy 365.02-Model Railroading 365.03-Weather 365.04-Clowning-365.05-Rocks, Minerals and Fossils 365.06-Quilt Making 365.07-Computers 365.08-Assistance Dogs 365.09-Canoe-365.11 Camp Counseling, others added.

View idea starters at: <http://www.ohio4h.org/books-and-resources/self-determined-projects-and-idea-starters>

1. Complete self determined project guide.
2. Develop and present a poster/display regarding our project accomplishments.
3. Be prepared to answer questions regarding project.

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Photography: Each youth must bring completed project book and...

FOCUS ON PHOTOGRAPHY, LEVEL I (#584)

Each participant is required to bring one of the following three items for exhibit: 1) a single print of any size mounted at the discretion of the participant; or 2) a collection of prints illustrating a "Photo Story", consisting of at least five and not more than ten photographs mounted at the discretion of the exhibitor; or 3) a collection of prints illustrating one of the "activities" the participant completed for the project, consisting of at least five and not more than ten photographs, mounted at the discretion of the participant. Each participant may also bring any other materials they feel might demonstrate their learning experiences of the current project year (although participants are not required to do so). Photochemical developing and printing may be done by the participant, but is not required.

CONTROLLING THE IMAGE, LEVEL II (#585)

Each participant is required to bring one of the following four items for exhibit: 1) a single print of any size mounted at the discretion of the participant; or 2) a single print illustrating an "enlargement", which shall consist of an enlargement print, accompanied by the original print, mounted at the discretion of the participant; or 3) a collection of prints illustrating one of the "activities" the participant completed for the project, consisting of at least five and not more than 10 photographs mounted at the discretion of the exhibitor; or 4) a single original print illustrating a "News Story", which shall be an original photo mounted at the discretion of the exhibitor and accompanied by the published article. Each participant may also bring any extra materials they feel might demonstrate their learning experiences of the current project year but participants are not required to do so. Photochemical developing and printing may be done by the participant, but is not required.

MASTERING PHOTOGRAPHY, LEVEL III (#586)

Each participant is required to bring one of the following four items for exhibit: 1) one print of any size mounted at the discretion of the participant; or 2) a single print illustrating an "Enlargement", which shall consist of an enlargement print mounted at the discretion of the participant and be accompanied by the original print; or 3) a collection of prints illustrating one of the "activities" the exhibitor completed for the project, consisting of at least five and not more than 10 pictures mounted at the discretion of the exhibitor; or 4) a single original print illustrating a "News Story", which shall be an original photo mounted at the discretion of the participant and be accompanied by the published article. Each participant may also bring any extra materials they feel might demonstrate their learning experiences of the current project year, but participants are not required to do so. Photochemical developing and printing may be done by the participant, but is not required.

589 Photography Master www.ohio4h.org/publications

(formerly Self-Determined #365)

All participants in Class J – 4 will be expected to bring at least (1) one print for display, mounted at their discretion, illustrating what they consider “the best” of the photographs demonstrating the area of interest they have chosen to “master” in this year’s project. Here are just a few examples of types of photographic explorations that might be included in this class:

- Select a type of photography (i.e., portrait, wedding, baby, landscape, sports, fashion, etc.) and explore the skills and equipment needed to be successful. Create a portfolio that showcases the type of photography you choose.
- Create a collection of images illustrating a “picture story” or a “documentary” with print or digital images.
- Experiment with a variety of lighting intensities and angles, and apply your new knowledge to your photography.
- Learn to see in “Black and White” and explore how removing color changes the mood, focus of attention, or even attractiveness.
- Use a specialized technique, such as selective focusing or enlarging, to change an image’s focal point, feel, meaning, etc.
- Learn how to use the manual settings on your camera to your advantage (i.e. nighttime photography).

Each participant may bring any extra materials they feel will demonstrate the learning experiences of the current project year, but are not required to do so. Equipment to view digital images and or portfolios must be provided by the exhibitor. Be aware that Internet/WiFi service will not be available at the judging site! Images should be contained on your display devices.

Participants in this class are to bring their 589M Photography Master project books showing involvement in activities and progress made toward completing their 589M Photography Master project. It is not necessary for the exhibitor to have competed in classes J-1, J-2, or J-3 prior to entering this class. Photo editing, photochemical developing, and printing may be done by the exhibitor, and is encouraged..

*** **NOTE:** To qualify for State Fair, all photographs must be mounted and identified in the lower right corner on the back by printing: class, name and county.

WRITING AND REPORTING FOR TEENS #587 (No state fair class.)

* For older teens (juniors and seniors). Other members may take this project with permission.

1. Complete Member Project Guidelines listed on page 2.
2. Work through the first four assignments BEFORE you try to write a story.
3. Keep a scrapbook (journal) of your assignments and writings.
4. Be able to talk with the judge about "what is news?" kinds of news stories, the correct form for news stories, feature stories and interviewing.
5. Be able to discuss photojournalism and writing for radio.
6. Submit either:
 - A. A feature Story (J-9)- Nonfiction human interest story written in newspaper or magazine style. Judging will be on interest to readers, writing style, readability and thoroughness of coverage. Submit one story, maximum length-1, 000 words
 - B. A news story (J-10)- Nonfiction story about an event, program or other interesting topic or human experience. The story should present new information or a new angle. Judging will be on general organization of the story, quality of news writing, readability and impact. Submit one story, maximum length- 1000 words.

CREATIVE WRITING FOR TEENS #588 (No State Fair Class.)

1. Complete General Project Guidelines on page 3.
2. Be able to talk to the judge about the main elements of fiction--plot, theme, setting etc., and the elements of poetry, rhyme, meter, etc.
3. Keep a writing notebook (journal) and put all of your writing into it.

4. No July 1 submission of materials. Will be evaluated at county judging.

CLOVERBUD SHARING (5-8 year old programming) #700

1. Make a poster displaying what you have learned. One poster per Cloverbud.
2. Group of ten Cloverbuds will share their learning experiences with one “judge”.

4-H SHOOTING SPORTS PROGRAM #750-755-MUST join Shooting Sports Club/Program

1. Bring completed journal and/or record book to evaluation.
2. Prepare a display or poster to present to judge illustrating project activities.
3. **NO FIREARMS OR AMMUNITION OF ANY KIND PERMITTED.**
4. 4th year projects may work towards more competitive shooting events, community service projects promoting shooting sports, linking shooting sports projects with other project work, or work towards Jr. Leadership roles. Remember you **MUST** work with a certified 4-H shooting sports instructor in these areas.

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