

Dear 4-H Family:

Happy snowy Friday! It finally looks and feels like winter. It's a perfect weekend to review our **2024 Athens County 4-H Calendar** and plan for the year! The final draft of our calendar is attached to this email (**attachment is a link at the bottom of the email**). If you received a copy of the calendar at last Saturday's volunteer training, please be aware that there are a couple of typo corrections but no date changes on this version. Be sure to check out our new **Fairfield-Athens 4-H Senior Camp** to be held in partnership with Fairfield County in July!

Registration is open for the **2024 Ohio 4-H Forestry Wildlife Conservation Camp** to be held **April 19 – 21 at Canter's Cave 4-H Camp in Jackson, Ohio**. This hands-on camping opportunity is open to youth in grades 7 – 11 and focuses on forestry, wildlife, fishing, careers in these fields, and more! Space is limited to 75 campers and the **registration deadline is midnight on March 28, 2024**. The total fee to attend is \$115, but there are a limited number of scholarships available. Additionally, Athens County 4-H members interested in attending, but needing financial assistance, could reach out to the 4-H committee for sponsorship dollars (please reach out to Bridget for more information about this). More information about the camp, as well as a link to register can be found at the following website:

www.ohio4h.org/camp/forestry-and-wildlife-conservation-camp

The Ohio 4-H Conference is back for 2024 and will be held on **March 9th at the Greater Columbus Convention Center**. The Ohio 4-H Conference is a great opportunity for **adult 4-H volunteers and teen 4-H members (13 and older)** to participate in educational sessions on topics ranging from animal science to effective club meetings, all while interacting with 4-H members and volunteers from across Ohio! **Half of the \$40 registration fee will be covered by our Athens County 4-H Endowment Fund** for volunteers and teens who **submit their registration form to the Extension Office by February 1st**. Registration forms and more details can be found at <https://ohio4h.org/events/ohio-4-h-conference>

Are you planning to exhibit a market turkey at the 2024 Athens County Junior Fair? If so, be sure to mark your calendar for **market turkey registration on February 7th from 5 to 6 PM**. Registration forms will be available soon!

Upcoming Dates

- January 23rd @ 6 PM – 4-H Volunteer Training (**must preregister**)
- January 31st – 4-H Club & Affiliate Yearly Financial Summaries DUE
- February 1st @ 6 PM – New 4-H Volunteer Training
- February 1st – Ohio 4-H Conference Registrations DUE
- February 7th 5 to 6 PM – Market Turkey Registration
- February 15th – Deadline to Request a QA Test-Out

Please feel free to call or email me with any questions or concerns. I hope you have a great weekend and get a chance to enjoy the snow!

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Attachments:

[2024 Athens Co. 4-H Calendar](#)