



Dear Outstanding 4-Her Candidate,

I'm excited to see you are interested in being an Outstanding 4-Her! A few things to note about the Outstanding 4-Her Application process that will be helpful for you:

In order to be considered an Outstanding 4-Her, applicants must meet ALL THREE of the following. If these are met, forms will be considered for this achievement.

- 1) **Attained the level of High School Senior (or above) as of January 1st of the current year,**
- 2) **Completed the 2024 Ohio 4-H Achievement Form in January of the current year, and**
- 3) **Be a current 4-H member in good standing (enrolled in 4-H, completing projects, attending meetings, etc.)**

The timeline of the Outstanding 4-Her Application process:

- ♦ January 2024: Turn in the Ohio 4-H Achievement Form to the OSU Extension Office.
- ♦ Mid to late summer: Individuals who meet the first three requirements (above) will be sent a letter with details on how to complete the application process.
- ♦ August 15th, 2024: Deadline to submit the Outstanding 4-Her Application Form **AND** Addendum (update) to their Ohio 4-H Achievement Form.
 - The Addendum is a separate document/piece of paper where applicants will include any 4-H and non-4-H updates from the current 4-H year that took place after their Ohio 4-H Achievement Form was submitted back in January.
 - Additionally, the Addendum can include past 4-H and non-4-H activities, programs, events, and participation that may not have been included on their Ohio 4-H Achievement Form.
 - The Addendum (submitted in August) and the Ohio 4-H Achievement Form (submitted in January) will be used to review criteria selected on your Outstanding 4-Her Application Form. You may include as many pages as necessary.
- ♦ October 5th, 2024: Individuals who meet the Outstanding 4-Her criteria will be recognized at the Junior Fair Panorama the Saturday (move-in day) of the Fairfield County Fair.

The Outstanding 4-Her Application Form and your Addendum (to the Ohio 4-H Achievement Form) are due to the OSU Extension Office by 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 15th. Forms are also welcome to be mailed to the address above and must be received by Thursday, August 15th.

Everything you have done MUST be listed on your Ohio 4-H Achievement Form. If it is not listed, the selection committee will not know you have participated/completed/or received the honor of something. PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU HAVE ALL INFORMATION INCLUDED ON THE OHIO 4-H ACHIEVEMENT FORM or your ADDENDUM.

Please include as much as possible on your Outstanding 4-Her Application Form and Addendum (be detailed – i.e. year, what you learned, officer title and responsibilities, etc). This will help the selection committee in finding the information on your Ohio 4-H Achievement Form or Addendum. **Please make sure to list on your Outstanding 4-Her Application Form WHERE the information can be found (Section A, year 2021 of Ohio 4-H Achievement Form or Addendum, etc.)**

There is not a limit to the number of pages used, so you are able to add pages, insert information onto the current page, or anything else you can think of to make sure all the information you want to have on the form is there!

Please refer to the Sample Outstanding 4-Her Form to get an idea of how to complete the form. While it is only two pages, you are encouraged to utilize more space than that! The 2024 Outstanding 4-Her Application Form & Sample Outstanding 4-Her Form can be found online at (<http://fairfield.osu.edu>) at the "Older Youth Forms & Applications" page. **Please make sure you are using the correct version of the form with the 2024 date at the top.**

Feel free to contact me directly with questions or if you need assistance (cooksey.25@osu.edu 740-653-5419). I am also willing to schedule time in my office to review forms in advance. Good luck! I look forward to seeing your completed form and the documented progress you have made throughout your 4-H career!

Sincerely,

Leslie S. Cooksey Extension Educator
4-H Youth Development

2024 Fairfield County Outstanding 4-H'er Application Form

Name: _____

1. General 4-H Requirements (Must Meet All)

- At least a Senior in High School as of January 1 of the current year**
- 4-H Member in good standing for the current year
- Completed an Ohio 4-H Achievement Record in January of the current year

2. 4-H Project Work (Have completed work in at least Five (5) areas)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Beef | <input type="checkbox"/> Llama/Alpaca |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Citizenship & Community Service | <input type="checkbox"/> Leadership |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Clothing & Textiles | <input type="checkbox"/> Mechanical & Engineering Science |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal Development |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Companion Animals (Including Dogs) | <input type="checkbox"/> Photography |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Creative Arts | <input type="checkbox"/> Poultry |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dairy | <input type="checkbox"/> Rabbits |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Sciences | <input type="checkbox"/> Sheep |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family Life & Child Development | <input type="checkbox"/> Shooting Sports |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Food & Nutrition | <input type="checkbox"/> Swine |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gardening & Horticulture | <input type="checkbox"/> Veterinary science |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Goats | <input type="checkbox"/> Woodworking |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Health & Safety | <input type="checkbox"/> Other Miscellaneous _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Horse | |

3. Participation (Participation areas must have at least 150 points total; you may count each item once)

4-H Club Participation (5 points each)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Cloverbud Member | <input type="checkbox"/> Club Fundraiser |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Club Banquet or Recognition Program | <input type="checkbox"/> Club Committee Member |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Club Quality Assurance Clinic | <input type="checkbox"/> Club Demonstration |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Club Scrapbook | <input type="checkbox"/> Club Educational Tour |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Club Workshop | <input type="checkbox"/> Club Other _____ |

County 4-H Participation (10 points each)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> County 4-H Camp | <input type="checkbox"/> County Health & Safety/Creed Speaking Contest |
| <input type="checkbox"/> County Committee Member | <input type="checkbox"/> County Showmanship |
| <input type="checkbox"/> County Dairy Judging Team | <input type="checkbox"/> County Skillathon |
| <input type="checkbox"/> County Demonstration Contest | <input type="checkbox"/> County Species Clinic |
| <input type="checkbox"/> County Educational Tour | <input type="checkbox"/> County Style Review Modeling Practice |
| <input type="checkbox"/> County Fair Asst. (Display Barn Guard, NOT show committee) | <input type="checkbox"/> County Style Review |
| <input type="checkbox"/> County Fair Exhibitor | <input type="checkbox"/> County Summer Judging |
| <input type="checkbox"/> County Livestock Judging Contest | <input type="checkbox"/> County Super Showmanship |
| <input type="checkbox"/> County Livestock Judging Team | <input type="checkbox"/> County Other _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> County Meat Judging Team | <input type="checkbox"/> County 4-H Achievement Banquet |
| <input type="checkbox"/> County Officer Training | <input type="checkbox"/> Interview for Fair Queen/Commodity Ambassador,
Queen or Representative |
| <input type="checkbox"/> County Poultry Judging Team | <input type="checkbox"/> Junior Fair Panorama |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Countywide Quality Assurance Clinic | <input type="checkbox"/> Summerfest Awards Program |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Horse PAS Show | |



Name: _____

District/State 4-H Participation (15 points each)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> District Speaking Contest | <input type="checkbox"/> State Speaking Contest |
| <input type="checkbox"/> State Committee Member | <input type="checkbox"/> State Species Clinic |
| <input type="checkbox"/> State Demonstration Contest | <input type="checkbox"/> State Workshop |
| <input type="checkbox"/> State Fair Livestock Exhibitor | <input type="checkbox"/> Buckeye Leadership Workshop |
| <input type="checkbox"/> State Fair Outstanding Market Exhibitor | <input type="checkbox"/> Camp Canopy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> State Fair Showmanship | <input type="checkbox"/> Carving New Ideas Workshop |
| <input type="checkbox"/> State Fair Summer Project Judging | <input type="checkbox"/> Ohio 4-H Conference |
| <input type="checkbox"/> State Fair Showmanship | <input type="checkbox"/> Ohio 4-H Shooting Sports Education Camp |
| <input type="checkbox"/> State Fashion Board | <input type="checkbox"/> Ohio Fair Managers Conference |
| <input type="checkbox"/> State Junior Fair Board | <input type="checkbox"/> Ohio 4-H Leadership Camp |
| <input type="checkbox"/> State Livestock Judging Contest | <input type="checkbox"/> Sea Camp |
| <input type="checkbox"/> State Meat Judging Contest | <input type="checkbox"/> SPIN Club |
| <input type="checkbox"/> State Skillathon | <input type="checkbox"/> District/State Other _____ |

National 4-H Participation (20 points each)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 4-H International Travel Abroad/Exchange Student | <input type="checkbox"/> National Dairy Conference |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Citizenship Washington Focus Trip | <input type="checkbox"/> National 4-H Judging Contest |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Host an Exchange Student | <input type="checkbox"/> National Livestock Show |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Leadership Washington Focus Trip | <input type="checkbox"/> National Speaking Contest |
| <input type="checkbox"/> National 4-H Conference-D.C. | <input type="checkbox"/> National Other _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> National 4-H Congress-Atlanta | <input type="checkbox"/> Presidential Inauguration Washington Trip |

4. 4-H Citizenship and Community Service (Must have two (2) of the following)

- Participate in at least three (3) different community service projects with your 4-H Club
- Participate in at least two (2) different community service projects as part of your 4-H project
- Plan, organize, and conduct a major community service project with a 4-H Club
- Participate in at least three (3) different community service projects as part of a 4-H Program (JLs, FNB, camp, etc.)
- Citizenship activities (complete at least one (1) of the following items:
 4-H International Travel Program or Host Family, Citizenship or Leadership Washington Focus, Ohio Youth Capital Challenge, Election Day Teen Volunteer, Volunteer for a Political Campaign, Assist with Voter Registration Drive, Visit and Observe a session of the Ohio House of Representatives, Ohio Senate, or U.S. Congress, Observe a local government official at their job for a day, observe a county or municipal court trial, tour a local government agency, attend a County Commissioners meeting, attend a School Board meeting, attend a Township Trustee or City Council meeting, etc.

5. 4-H Promotion (Complete any two (2) of the following items)

- 4-H Day Assistant
- 4-H Awareness Team Member
- Assist with educational display/exhibit at the Fair (Jr. Fair Board Educational Posters and Displays, Club Exhibit, Commodity Carnival, AgMazing Building, etc.)
- Fair Queen or Attendant/Commodity Queen, Ambassador, Representative
- Host and or maintain 4-H Club website (Social Media, Website, Facebook, Instagram, etc.)
- Have written or published news articles (at least 3)
- Successful completion of the Ohio 4-H Teen Leadership Council Term
- Radio or TV Appearances promoting 4-H (at least 2)
- Local Parade promoting 4-H
- Other



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6. 4-H Leadership (Total points for Leadership must be at least **75 points**, count each item only once)

4-H Club (5 points each)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Club Committee Chair | <input type="checkbox"/> Mentor younger member with project |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Club Officer | <input type="checkbox"/> Taught Club Workshop |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Host/Organize Club Tour | <input type="checkbox"/> Club Other _____ |

County 4-H (10 points each)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 4-H Advisory Committee Youth Rep. | <input type="checkbox"/> Host/Organize County Tour |
| <input type="checkbox"/> County Camp Counselor | <input type="checkbox"/> Junior Fair Board Member |
| <input type="checkbox"/> County Camp Team Captain/Workshop Leader | <input type="checkbox"/> Junior Fair Board Jr. Advisor |
| <input type="checkbox"/> County Club Committee Chair | <input type="checkbox"/> Junior Leaders |
| <input type="checkbox"/> County Club Officer | <input type="checkbox"/> Sale Committee Youth Rep. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Emcee Event (Panorama, Advisor Banquet, Officer Training, Summerfest, etc.) | <input type="checkbox"/> Senior Fair Board Youth Rep. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Endowment Board Youth Rep. | <input type="checkbox"/> Show Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fashion & Nutrition Board | <input type="checkbox"/> Taught County Workshop |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer at County Event |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> County Other _____ |

State 4-H (15 points each)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Collegiate 4-H Member | <input type="checkbox"/> State Club Officer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Emcee Event (State Banquet, Style Review) | <input type="checkbox"/> State Committee Chair |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Healthy Living Youth Advocate/Health Heroes | <input type="checkbox"/> State Fashion Board |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Host/Organize State Tour | <input type="checkbox"/> State Junior Fair Board |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ohio Youth Capital Challenge | <input type="checkbox"/> State Teen Leadership Council Member |
| <input type="checkbox"/> State 4-H Ambassador Member | <input type="checkbox"/> Taught at State Workshop |
| <input type="checkbox"/> State 4-H Event Youth Assistant | <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer at State Event |
| <input type="checkbox"/> State Camp Counselor | <input type="checkbox"/> State Other _____ |

7. Non 4-H Activities (Must have involvement in at least **four (4)** items)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Boy/Girl Scouts | <input type="checkbox"/> Grange Member | <input type="checkbox"/> Part-Time Job |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Breed Association | <input type="checkbox"/> Honor Roll | <input type="checkbox"/> School/Co-Op Club Member |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Campfire | <input type="checkbox"/> Music (Band/Choir) | <input type="checkbox"/> Sports Team (member/coach) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Church Member | <input type="checkbox"/> National Honor Society | <input type="checkbox"/> Student Council Member |
| <input type="checkbox"/> FFA Member | <input type="checkbox"/> Non 4-H Travel Abroad | <input type="checkbox"/> Student Tutor |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Farm Bureau Member | <input type="checkbox"/> Officer/Volunteer (non 4-H Group/Activity) | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Ohio Model United Nations | |

Additional information requested:

1. What are your parent's names? _____
2. What are your post-graduation plans? _____
3. Please provide **five** 4-H career highlights that you would like to share if you receive this award.

