

Ohio 4-H News and Notes

Week of June 15, 2014

Visit Commodity Carnival at a Fair Near You!

CME Group and the National 4-H Council partnered to create the Commodity Carnival, a fun learning activity for students to experience managing the business risks associated with producing and bringing livestock to market. The game aims to build greater literacy in agricultural science and economics at state and county fairs.

The Commodity Carnival consists of three activities that guide participants through the process of producing and selling livestock: grow your livestock, sell your livestock and win a ribbon. Game participants raised a hog during the 2013 season. This year, participants will grow and sell a steer.

The Commodity Carnival will appear at nearly 120 state and county fairs throughout the Midwest during the summer and fall of 2014 — bring a steer to market at a fair near you. To learn more about the 4-H/CME Group's partnership see video's available at: <http://www.cmegroup.com/education/4-h.html> . Check out RFD-TV video:<http://youtu.be/Dxu2-gfHbu0>; particularly at the 15 minute mark in the video, which features Ohio 4-H's own Dr. Paul Kuber, Extension Specialist.

Ohio Events Schedule

Event Name	Date of Event	City	State	County
The Ohio State Fair	July 23 - Aug 3	Columbus	OH	Franklin
Lawrence County Fair	July 8 - 10	Proctorville	OH	Lawrence
Hamilton County Fair	July 9 - 12	Hamilton	OH	Hamilton
Carroll County Fair	July 15, 17 & 19	Carrollton	OH	Carroll
Butler County Fair	July 22 - 24	Hamilton	OH	Butler
Pike County Fair	July 28 - 31	Piketon	OH	Pike

Hartford Independent Fair	Aug 7 - 9	Croton	OH	Licking
Holmes County Fair	Aug 5, 6 & 8	Millersburg	OH	Holmes
Morrow County Fair	Aug 30 - 31	Mt. Gilead	OH	Morrow
Hardin County Fair	Sept 2, 6 & 7	Kenton	OH	Hardin

4-H Ag. Innovators Experience 2014

Dozens of Ohio youth have discovered a way to combine summer fun with learning. Let by local 4-H members, the Fish Farm Challenge activity aims to make agriscience relevant and fun for youth. Check out the video produced about the 4-H Ag. Innovator Experience last week. <http://youtu.be/sGZAwaXd6qQ>.

Attention 4-H Professionals – Workforce Prep Day at the Ohio State Fair

As a reminder, each year your outstanding youth have the opportunity to compete in Workforce Prep Day at the Ohio State Fair and now is the time to make that final push for participants. The date for the event this year is July 23 (pre-registration July 11) and more details can be found in the [Workforce Prep Day Instructions](#). Don't forget, a \$250 cash award goes to the top senior and top junior in this event, so participation in this Workforce Prep event does pay!

For your promotional efforts we have included a [flyer](#) and an [invitation](#). The flyer is designed to be sent out to the masses and the invitation to be customized for an individual. From past experience, those youth that participate in the event for the first time generally did so because of a recommendation or invitation from their 4-H professional. You have great influence! We hope that you will think of a few individual youth in 2014 and give them a special invitation.

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