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2012 Ohio 4-H Statistical Report

The report has been posted to our website. http://www.ohio4h.org/sites/d6-ohio4h.web/files/about/documents/2012%20Statistical%20Report.pdf

Educational Technology Specialist for 4-H

Heather Gottke has a new role as an Extension Educational Technology Specialist. She will serve and collaborate with teams and individuals to determine which technology and online tools will best fit their needs and objectives. Educational Technologists may also help teams make the necessary contacts and get needed information and training to integrate technology into their programming. Heather will specialize in e-learning, social media marketing, and blogging, but will also be utilizing the specializations and talents of the other Ed Techs where appropriate. While Heather will be the contact person for 4-H Youth Development, teams and individuals may collaborate with other Ed Techs as needed. Heather will continue in her role in Van Wert County. Feel free to contact her at gottke.4@osu.edu

Joann Fabric store Product Opportunity

The Kids In Need Foundation, a national non-profit providing free school supplies to students and teachers across the country, is rolling out a nationwide partnership with Jo-Ann Fabric and Craft stores. We are thrilled to present you with an opportunity to pick up donated seasonal and store inventory items on a regular basis from Jo-Ann Fabric and Craft stores in your area. The collected products will be yours to distribute to high-need students/use in your classrooms There is no cost. To see where stores are located, visit the following link http://hosted.where2getit.com/joann/ and enter your address.

National 4-H Council Youth Trustee Nominations

National 4-H Council is governed by a Board of Trustees consisting of thirty-five members. National 4-H Council has the privilege of having four young people, between the ages of 16-23 years old, serve as Trustees. Two youth seats will be available this Fall. If you know of an interested young person who fits the following attributes, please encourage them to apply. Final candidates will be submitted to Council's Board for consideration on November 14, 2013 for election to a three year term.

Successful applicants will possess the following attributes:

Minimum of 5 years of past involvement in 4-H.

Be between the ages of 16-23 as of November 14, 2013.

Be able to commit to a three year term as a Board of Trustee member.

Be an experienced public speaker.

Be willing to represent 4-H as a spokesperson for media opportunities (media training will be provided by National 4-H Council).

Will have served previously in a state or national 4-H leadership/governance role.

Proven youth adult partnership impact.

If you know of a candidate who would be interested in serving as a Youth Trustee, please have the candidate visit www.4-h.org/youth-trustees for nomination information and an application. All applications and accompanying nomination information is due August 19th. If you have any questions please contact Carolyn Kent at ckent@fourhcouncil.edu as she is working with Carolyn Fernandez to execute the recruitment process.

National Youth Summit Series – National 4-H

Below is a link to the Youth Summits being held at the National 4-H Center in the next year. http://www.cvent.com/events/national-youth-summit-series/event-summary-4b730f5e4c834d0a87a8bbbe88ee3625.aspx

4-H National Youth Science Day. It's never too early to start preparing.

About 4-H National Youth Science Day:

For more than 100 years, 4-H has been at the forefront of teaching young people about science, engineering, technology, and math (STEM). 4-H National Youth Science Day is the premier national rallying event for year-round 4-H STEM programming, bringing together youth, volunteers, and educators from the nation's 109 land-grant colleges and universities to simultaneously complete the National Science Experiment. Go to 4-H.org/NYSD for details and free downloadable materials.

Order Your Experiment Kits

4-H National Youth Science Day experiment kits are on sale on the <u>4-H Mall</u> right now. Each kit contains everything you need for a team of young people to complete Activity 1 in the <u>Experiment Guidebooks</u>. Put Your NYSD Event on the Map

Make sure your 4-H National Youth Science Day event is counted. Go to the NYSD website and <u>register</u> <u>your participation</u> in NYSD this year. Your event will be displayed on the National Event Map -- which can be viewed by press, current and potential donors and leaders in your community. Need Training?

The NAE4-HA Geospatial Taskforce, in partnership with National 4-H Council and Esri, is offering a series of free 30-minute webinars aimed at increasing an educator's level of comfort in conducting 4-H geospatial activities. The first session is TODAY at 2:00 pm ET. In addition to today's session, additional sessions will be held on August 8, August 22, and September 5, 2013. Click here to indicate your interest and to receive more details on the webinars. Stay tuned for more exciting 4-H Maps & Apps updates, offers, and resources.

Report Assesses Well-Being of America's Children

The Federal Interagency Forum on Child and Family Statistics, of which the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention is a participating agency, has released "America's Children: Key National Indicators of Well-Being, 2013." The report features statistics on children and families in the United States across 41 key indicators, including family and social environment, economic circumstances, health care, physical environment and safety, behavior, education, and health. The forum's mission is to collect enhanced data on children and youth, communicate it to the policy community and general public, and produce more complete data at the federal, state, and local levels.