



**2022 OFMA Junior Fair Conference  
Presentation Schedule Saturday January 8, 2022  
Hyatt Regency Hotel 350 North High Street Columbus, Ohio**

**Presenting Sponsors:  
The Ohio State Fair, Ohio Soybean & Willandale Golf Car**

**8:00 a.m. – 10 a.m.**

**Junior Fair Registration 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Hyatt Regency Hotel Regency Foyer**

**8:30 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.**

**Hit the Road for Fun and New Ideas**

*Lisa McCutcheon, Extension Educator – Licking County; Adrienne Anderson, Program Assistant – Licking County & Hartford Senior Fair Board Members*

Traveling together to visit other fairs in small groups or as part of an organized bus trip helps Junior and Senior Fair Boards develop stronger relationships while gathering new ideas. Learn about different formats and ways to incorporate road trips into your Fair Board experience.

**Repping the Red Jacket**

*Leslie Cooksey, Extension Educator – Fairfield County & Fairfield County Junior Fair Board Members*

You're on the Board, fair is coming, now what? In this session, discover roles and responsibilities for fair week as a Junior Fair Board Member. Learn how to prepare yourself as a JFB member with the expectations adults, exhibitors, and show committee members have of you in your role.

**Teamwork Makes the Dream Work**

*Rachel Stoneburner, Program Coordinator – Franklin County; Beth Boomershine, Extension Educator – Franklin County and Sara Lewis, Extension Educator – Fulton County*

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**Thanking Your People - How to Say Thank You to the Right People After Fair**

*Frances Foos, Extension Educator – Madison County & Lydia Flores, Extension Educator – Morgan County*

The value of a handwritten thank you note can go a long way for our donors, supporters, and volunteers. Come and share ideas for the best ways to thank our people that make fair happen, both with formal thank you notes and other thoughtful gestures!

**9:30 a.m. -11 a.m.**

**Combined Junior and Senior Fair Opening Session, Regency Ballroom 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Hyatt Hotel**

**Keynote Address Speaker, and announcing of the 2022 Ohio Fairs' Queen**

**11:30 a.m. – 2:45 p.m.**

**A Step Beyond – Experienced JFB Members Explore the World of Entertainment Contracts**

*Andrea Rees, Extension Educator - Knox County*

This program will provide experienced JFB members, who have completed at least two previous years of service, an opportunity to take the lead in securing entertainment for their fair. Participants will work with trade show vendors, OFMA Board Members, and OSUE professionals to explore the many aspects of working with those big shows –

musical acts, rough truck, truck and tractor pulls, and so much more! Pre-Registration Required. Fifty participants will be accepted, with no more than five from any one county.

**11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.**

### **Barnyard Rodeo**

*Erin Simpson-Sloan, Program Assistant – Butler County & Butler County Junior Fair Board Members*

After a long week of shows at the fair it's time to have some fun. Come and learn how to put on AMAZING activities open for all ages and to all fairgoers. This is a family/friend gathering. Also, a great way to promote our 4-H and FFA program. Finish up a long week of hard work with some fun.

### **COVID Killed our Traditions... For the Best!**

*Holmes County Junior Fair Board and Officer Team*

We chose to look at the bright side in Holmes County after COVID-19 struck. We took a good look at the events we loved and especially those we hated. 2021 was a fresh start for new traditions, join us to learn about our new events including Celebrity Showman of Showmen, a cornhole competition, themed meetings, and how we ultimately blended what was already working in our county and making the best out of a global pandemic and new traditions. Join the Holmes County JFB members as they share how things are changing or staying the same but how we all took a hard look at what changed during our virtual time of COVID.

### **Engaging Future Showmen at the Junior Fair!**

*Aubry Fowler, Extension Educator – Fairfield County*

Cloverbuds are the future of the Junior Fair Program. How do you involve 5-8 year old Cloverbuds and other young fairgoers in your Junior Fair Program? Getting younger youth excited and engaged at this age will help instill a passion for the Junior Fair. Additionally, engaging future showmen into the Junior Fair Program allows them to feel a sense of belonging to the program as they look up to older 4-H youth who are participating in the program. Learn more about Fairfield County's Cloverbud Show & Tell, Stuff Animal Show, Cloverbud Graduation, and Junior Fair Buddies Program!

### **How Do YOU Do Livestock Shows?**

*Jessica Rockey, Extension Educator – Perry County; Michelle Wright, Lizzie Gibson & Perry County Junior Fair Board Members*

Join Perry County's JFB team to discuss how they organize, announce, & conduct Jr Fair Livestock Shows, and share what your county does as well. Shared tips & tricks can help make all of our jobs easier! Idea sharing for awards will also be included. Let's help each other get fair-ready!

### **Junior and Senior Fair Boards: Making Partnership a Priority**

*Lisa McCutcheon, Extension Educator – Licking County & Hartford Junior / Senior Fair Board Members*

During this session, participants will learn how building friendships and respect between the JFB and SFB can bring great benefits. Junior and Senior Fair Board members of the Hartford Independent Fair will explain the ways that they have worked together to make for a successful fair season. Through joint meetings, trainings, a bi-annual road trip and simple name games and mixers, these two boards have learned to work together so that each of them reap rewards. If you are looking for new opportunities and are willing to make the effort to create them, this is your session.

### **Let's Talk Shows to Encourage Inclusivity**

*Christy Clary, Extension Educator – Brown County & Angie Holmes, Extension Educator – Erie County*

Many counties offer an event to allow those with disabilities to show an animal at the fair by partnering with an exhibitor. Come learn about these shows, discuss ideas on how to be inclusive, and gain ideas to start your own.

### **Ohio 4-H Horse Shows 101**

*Dr. Kim Cole, Extension Equine Specialist*

Ohio 4-H Horse Shows 101 will provide information related to county, PAS, and state 4-H horse shows including rule updates, planning guides, and management tips.

## **Walk the Walk**

*Jenna Hoyt, Extension Educator – Ashtabula County*

First impressions are formed within 7 to 17 seconds of meeting someone and can last a lifetime. Learn more about making a good first impression and how the impression of you leave is based on how you conduct yourself beyond your physical appearance.

## **Working with Your Fair Veterinarian to Make it All Happen!**

*Dr. Robert Krueger, DVM - Mount Vernon Animal Hospital / Hartford Fair Veterinarian*

What are the roles and responsibilities of the fair veterinarian? While you may immediately think of tending to sick or injured animals during the fair, have you ever considered them a resource or part of your JFB “team”? Your Fair Vet may appreciate assistance from JFB members throughout the fair – and even be able to offer shadowing experiences for those teens considering a career in medicine. Knowing the role that Junior Fair Board members may play in working with the Fair Vet can make life easier during the week of your fair!

## **12:45 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.**

### **Community Service at the Fair: Fostering Community with Competition**

*Frances Foos, Extension Educator – Madison County*

Are you looking for ways to support your local community and build a sense of comradery and teamwork between your livestock species and project areas at the fair? Come learn how your Junior Fair Board can raise money for a local group with a Penny War competition and share other ideas for connecting community organizations and service learning into your fair week. Leave with tools and templates to create your own service opportunity at the fair and get inspired to make a difference!

### **Dealing with Difficult People at the Fair**

*Judy Villard Overocker, Extension Educator – Richland County*

Participants will learn a practical approach to understanding, preparing for and dealing with exhibitors, parents, observers, volunteers and other people who pose difficult situations for the Junior Fair. Session will include a discussion of various Junior Fair program situations.

### **How to Turn Five Apple Pies into \$20,000+**

*Ross County Junior Fair Board Members & Kate Wells, Extension Educator – Ross County*

Come hear all the delicious details of the Ross County Junior Fair Board hosting an apple pie baking contest and auction as a part of their annual grandstand entertainment. This session will share the details of entries, club bake-offs, judging score sheets, apple donors, pie judges, buyer recruitment and more! Our contest had a record of raising \$27,000 this year—come find out how you could do the same!

### **It’s Show Time!**

*Leslie Cooksey, Extension Educator – Fairfield County*

“Now entering the ring, Market Gilts Class 1.” It’s time for the show to begin and you are asked to step up to the microphone. Are you ready? Learn more about you can develop skills to enhance your public speaking and recordkeeping skills to be an effective youth member of your Show Committee that adults can trust and depend upon to get the job done. Learn how to effectively coach your peers to enrich their public speaking experiences while understanding the process for announcing a Junior Fair Show.

### **Let’s Share: Giving and Getting Great Ideas for Your Fair**

*Christy Millhouse, Extension Educator – Preble County & Jessica Rockey, Extension Educator – Perry County*

Do you have a great idea to share? Do you want to hear about something new that you might bring to your fair? This session will give Junior Fair Board members the opportunity to share and hear ideas from around the state by discussing in small groups and then sharing the most exciting ideas together.

## **Ohio 4-H Animal Sciences Program Update**

*Elizabeth Share, Program Specialist – OSU Extension and Dr. Benjamin Wenner, Assistant Professor – OSU Animal Sciences.*  
Come learn what's new with 4-H Animal Sciences programming including: Youth Quality Assurance, State Livestock Judging and Skillathon Teams, Upcoming Clinics and Contests, the future of State Virtual Skillathons, and other Ohio State Fair Youth Livestock Opportunities.

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## **The Perfect Fit: Extension, Senior Fair Board and Junior Fair Board**

*Ella Lorentz, Tara Sheldon and Renee Zimmerman – Holmes County Fair & Janessa Hill, Extension Educator – Holmes County*

The struggle is sometimes real ... deciding who oversees projects for your county fair isn't always a walk in the park but we believe we have found the perfect fit! Learn how we share the workload of duties between our JFB, SFB, and Extension Office including junior fair awards, joint work nights, office coverage during the fair, and all those miscellaneous jobs that appear in between. We will share some of our tips and tricks but would like to also hear from other counties how they make it all happen as well!

## **2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

### **Creating Lollipop Moments at your Junior Fair**

*Teresa Johnson, Extension Educator – Defiance County*

A “Lollipop Moment” is adopted from Drew Dudley’s Everyday Leadership and is defined as “a moment when someone said something that made your life better, or when something you said made someone else feel fundamentally better.” Learn how you are making an impact and how you can acknowledge those who made an impact in your own life.

### **Dress for Success**

*Ross County Junior Fair Board Members & Kate Wells, Extension Educator – Ross County*

As a member of the Junior Fair Board, you are a constant image of the county’s elite. Everything about you is constantly watched by young exhibitors, parents, Senior Fair Board, and fair supporters. Attend this session to learn how to represent your board well through your attire, body language, and attitude.

### **Fair Opportunity for Cloverbuds – Princess for a Day Program**

*Morgan McCutcheon, Junior Fair Royalty Coordinator – Hartford Fair / 2018 OFMA Queen*

Come learn about giving 4-H Cloverbuds the opportunity to experience a day in the life of a royalty member and shadow their role models. Our goal is to give them a way to flourish as future leaders and 4-H members, much like the Pee Wee showmanship classes!

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### **How Do You ID?**

*Christy Millhouse, Extension Educator – Preble County & Kenny Rader and Brad Johnson, Preble County Fair SFB Members*

Many fairs have methods of verifying animals – pictures, etc. Preble County uses a tag that collects a DNA sample as the animal is tagged. Learn about our policy and procedures and what we have learned to make this successful.

### **I'm new... What do I do now?**

*Judy Villard Overocker, Extension Educator – Richland County*

Participants will self-analyze what they hope to gain from the Junior Fair Board experience, then set personal goals to meet their expectations. Session includes role playing and discussion of what it takes to be a good JFB member.

### **Make It Happen! Moving from an Idea to an Event!**

*Madalyn Thayer – Erie County JFB President, Erie County JFB Members & Jessica George, Program Assistant – Erie County*

JFB members will share a real-life example of how they took an idea and turned it into an event that allowed community leaders to participate in the county fair and raised nearly \$2000 for local charities. Participants will leave with strategies and steps to bring their own idea to life!

### **The Life of a State Junior Fair Board Member**

*Ohio State Fair – Junior Fair Board Members*

Serving on the Ohio State Fair Junior Fair Board (JFB) is an experience of a lifetime. It's a fun and exciting opportunity to work alongside many different people, as well as network with youth and adults from across Ohio. JFB members have a variety of responsibilities throughout the Fair that may include giving show welcomes, ushering concerts, working at ODNR Park, assisting with special events, and much more. This session will help you understand the roles and responsibilities of a JFB member, as well the qualifications and process to become a member. We hope that YOU will be inspired to be part of the Ohio State Junior Fair Board!

### **You Won the Crown & Sash... Now What?**

*Joy Sharp, Extension Educator – Pickaway County*

Congratulations! You have been named your county Junior Fair King/Queen/Specie Ambassador. Now what? From shows, to luncheons, to county fair visits, attend this session to learn about the responsibilities of serving in a Royalty or Ambassador role. County Royalty Coordinators are also invited to learn what they should be sharing with new royalty as they represent their fair.