

2019 Junior Fair Livestock Exhibitors Quality Assurance Training Session Schedule

- The Ohio Department of Agriculture (ODA) Advisory Committee on Livestock Exhibitions has recommended and voted on the following rule change in 2018. It went into effect January 2018 after going through the proper procedures for changes to the Ohio Revised Code.
- Junior fair exhibitors ages 8 to 11 shall annually participate in a face-to-face education session that is taught by an authorized instructor.
- Junior fair exhibitors ages 12 to 19 shall either annually complete an educational session or successfully complete the test-out option.
- Regardless of age, junior fair exhibitors shall successfully complete the educational program **not less than 45 days prior to the opening date of the exhibition in which they will participate.**
- Thus, QA training and certification must be completed not less than 45 days prior to the opening day of the Wyandot County fair.
- Also, members need to know that this includes the Ohio State Fair, so if you plan to show at OSF then you will need to complete QA 45 days before the opening day of the Ohio State Fair, regardless of what day you show.
- Under Ohio Administrative Code, Chapter 901-19-07 (Ohio's Livestock Tampering Exhibition Rules), Quality Assurance training is a mandatory prerequisite for Junior Fair Livestock Exhibitors who exhibit market livestock and/or animals that produce or potentially produce market products.
- Wyandot County Junior Fair market projects that require QA training are:
 - Market beef: heifer/steer
 - Market dairy steer
 - Market swine
 - Market lambs
 - Market goats
 - Market rabbits
 - Market poultry and eggs
 - Beef feeder calves
 - Dairy feeder calves
 - All dairy cows and heifers
 - Goats: All breeding does-both dairy and meat breeds
- Deadline for Quality Assurance training is **July 24, 2019 for Wyandot County**
- The Ohio Department of Agriculture requires that all exhibitors must attend one of the Quality Assurance sessions listed below (or other qualified session—QA training in another county, Beef Expo, etc.) unless they have “tested out.”

To show at the Ohio State Fair QA must be before June 9, 2019

To show at the Wyandot County Fair QA must be done before July 24, 2019

Tuesday, April 9	6:00 p.m.	Wyandot Co. Fairgrounds Dining Hall
Saturday, May 4	9:00 a.m.	Wyandot Co. Fairgrounds Dining Hall
Sunday, June 30	2:00 p.m.	Wyandot Co. Fairgrounds Dining Hall
Tuesday, July 23	6:00 p.m.	Wyandot Co. Fairgrounds Dining Hall

- Exhibitors who complete QA anywhere other than Wyandot County **must** present “proof of training for 2019” to the Ohio State University Extension Office **before July 24, 2019.**
- Quality Assurance Test Out Option
There is a QA “test-out” option for exhibitors 4-H age 15-18 as of January 1. Youth who pass the test will be exempt from taking a test again or attending one of the annual QA certification programs until they are no longer eligible, by age, to exhibit in the Junior Fair. Tests may be taken only once each program year, and exhibitors must achieve a qualifying score of 70% to pass. To study for a test, review QA materials in your project record book. The “test-out” option will be given at the end of the QA session.

- A parent or guardian must attend with the first-time Junior Fair Exhibitors of a market or lactating dairy animal in 2019.
- Quality Assurance sessions are taught by a certified instructor.
- 4-H and FFA advisors who become certified by attending a class and taking a test will be able to schedule a QA session for exhibitors second year and beyond.
- Ohio Department of Agriculture requirements include changes in QA to include PQA.
- A Drug Use Notification Form (DUNF) must be completed for all junior market livestock, including market poultry, lactating cattle, and lactating goats. The DUNF will be reviewed for compliance. This includes mandatory completion of a Quality Assurance session for 2019.
- Exhibitors who do not complete Quality Assurance training by **July 24, 2019**, if required for their project, will not be eligible to exhibit those project animals at the **2019 Wyandot County Fair**.

Other counties offering QA

Marion County- You will need to check if there is a fee.

Contact: OSU Extension, Marion County, 740-223-4040

February 20, 6:00 p.m., River Valley High School
 March 5, 6:00 p.m., Elgin High School
 April 16, 6:00 p.m., Ridgedale High School
 April 28, 1:00 p.m., Evers Arena (Poultry Clinic follows)
 May 7, 6:00 p.m., Evers Arena

Hardin County- \$10.00 fee

Contact: OSU Extension, Hardin County, 419-674-2297

Thursday, June 6 from 7:00-8:30 p.m. – Hardin county Fairgrounds community building
 Thursday, June 27 from 2:30 – 4:00 p.m. - Hardin county Fairgrounds community building

Union County

Contact: OSU Extension, Union County, 937-644-8117. There is no fee for these sessions.

Date	What	Where
Monday, May 6, 2019, 7 – 8:30 pm	Livestock Quality Assurance	North Union Elementary, 420 Grove St.
Tuesday, May 7, 2019, 7– 8:30 pm	Livestock Quality Assurance	Union County Fairgrounds (UCF) Poultry and Rabbit Barn
Wednesday, May 8, 2019, 7 -8:30 pm	Livestock Quality Assurance	UCF Poultry and Rabbit Barn
Thursday, May 9, 2019, 7 – 8:30 pm	Livestock Quality Assurance	UCF Poultry and Rabbit Barn
Saturday, May 11, 2019, 9 am	Poultry Clinic & QA	UCF Poultry and Rabbit Barn

Crawford County -You will need to check if there is a fee.

Contact: OSU Extension, Crawford County, 419-562-8731

Thursday, March 14th, 6:30 - 8:30 pm, Youth Building, Fairgrounds
 Sunday, March 17th, 2:30 - 4:30 pm, Youth Building, Fairgrounds
 Monday, April 15th, 6:30 - 8:30 pm, Youth Building, Fairgrounds
 Test out offered at the End of each of the above programs