

**eClover: Darke County 4-H News****August 9, 2019**

Great news! Our Darke County 4-H App is up and running. Go to the app store and download 4-H Now. Then click on Darke County 4-H to add the content.

Apple Store: <https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/4-h-now/id1330050098>

Android: <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.grandstand.now4h>

Eventually we will add a link to online enrollment. Let us know what additional information would be helpful.

The Great Darke County Fair begins one week from today. The fair is the icing on the cake for many of our 4-H members. It should be a time of hard work, celebration, and fun!

What the fair is: an opportunity to show what you've learned, learn what you don't know, set goals for next year, make lifelong friends, and have fun!

What the fair is not: an opportunity to make excuses and blame others for your mistakes or lack of effort, an opportunity to complain about the judge, an opportunity to exhibit poor sportsmanship.

The fair is one of the most visible marketing opportunities for our 4-H program. People who visit the fair may not know much about 4-H or the agricultural industry. How our 4-H members, advisors, and parents conduct themselves during the fair reflects on the 4-H program. Fair attendees will take away impressions of 4-H and the agricultural industry based on what they see happening at the fair. Let's be sure that the impression they have is a good one.

**Write those thank you notes!**

Every trophy or award given at the fair should include the sponsor's name and address. Please write those thank you notes. Donors and sponsors are not receiving the recognition that they so richly deserve.

Handwritten thank you notes are the most meaningful. Begin with a salutation: Dear (sponsor's name) and end with Sincerely Yours (child's name). In between simply thank the donor for their generous support. A handwritten thank you goes a long way in securing that donor's support for years to come.

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**Fair Photo Fun**

*It's fair time! What is your favorite part of the fair? What do you look forward to all year? What part of the fair puts a smile on your face?*

*Share your fair excitement with others! Each day we will be posting your photos on our 4-H Facebook page. Let's have some fun and show everyone what makes the Great Darke County Fair so great!*

Friday, August 16	Move in Madness – share your photos of moving to the fair. What does that look like for you?
Saturday, August 17	Saturday Selfies – take a selfie with your family, friends, or project. Show us your best fair selfie!
Sunday, August 18	Show Ring Ready – share your photo of getting ready for the show!
Monday, August 19	Fair Family – Show us your fair family! Is it your project, your friends, your family?
Tuesday, August 20	Plumb Tired! – Share your best pictures of sleeping beauties at the fair!
Wednesday, August 21	Fair Food Selfie – take a selfie with your favorite fair food!
Thursday, August 22	Parade of Champions – Let's see pictures of you with your awards!
Friday, August 23	Photo Bomb Friday – Share your best fair photo bomb picture!
Saturday, August 24	See You Next Year Saturday: Favorite fair memory for 2019 – Share your photo of what made the 2019 fair great for you!

Message your photos each day to the Darke County 4-H Facebook page. We can't wait to see what makes the fair great for you!

**SEE YOU AT THE FAIR!**