



## PREBLE COUNTY QUALITY ASSURANCE -- 2020



Each Junior Fair exhibitor (4-H or FFA) taking a market or lactating animal to the Preble County Fair must participate in the Quality Assurance Program (QA).

*Options for QA have changed for 2020. Please be sure to read below.*

In 2020, Preble County youth have 3 options to fulfill the QA requirement. Specific information about each option is located on page 2 of this document.

	Type	Who Is Eligible?	Specific Requirements
Option 1	Face to Face Session	All youth exhibitors needing QA	Members in grades 3-8 <u>must</u> complete Quality Assurance <u>with a parent or guardian</u> . This means the parent/ guardian <u>must</u> attend and participate in the entire session with the youth.
Option 2	YQCA on-line training	Exhibitors in grades 9-12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There is a cost of \$12 for the YQCA on-line training which is paid by the exhibitor.</li> <li>• The on-line module completed <b>MUST</b> be for the correct 4-H age for the youth.</li> <li>• Youth must complete the on-line session within the QA calendar year (October 1 – September 31)</li> <li>• The YQCA test-outs are NOT an option at this time.</li> </ul>
Option 3	Test-Out Option	Exhibitors ages 12 and older	You can only take the test one time per year. If you do not pass the first time you must attend a QA session for the current year and may try the exam again the next year.

### GENERAL QUALITY ASSURANCE INFORMATION

- Junior Fair youth can attend Quality Assurance Education Sessions in other counties or at other events as long as that QA training is approved by Ohio 4-H. Beginning in 2020, the on-line YQCA training is an option with some restrictions. This is the only online training that meets Ohio's QA requirements.
- If you plan to attend a Quality Assurance Education Session outside of Preble County (another county, the Beef Expo etc.), you must provide documentation of your attendance to the OSU Extension Office in Preble County.
- QA must be completed 45 days prior to the beginning of the exhibition in which a youth will be showing.



**OPTION 1: Face to Face Session**

- Four general QA Face to Face Sessions will be held in Preble County.
- One session designed young members will be held with a limit of 25 participants. **Participants must register prior to the session by contacting the Extension Office by phone at 456-8174 or by email at [Tilton.47@osu.edu](mailto:Tilton.47@osu.edu).**
- Quality Assurance Sessions will begin at the time listed. The doors will close at that time and no one will be permitted to register after the start time. Participants must participate in the entire session to receive credit for attendance.
- Members in grades 3-8 must complete Quality Assurance with a parent or guardian. This means the parent/ guardian must attend and participate in the entire session with the youth.

date	Saturday, May 2	Monday, May 4	Tuesday, May 5	Thursday, May 7	Tuesday, May 12
age	any age	any age	exhibitors ages 8-10	any age	any age
registration	10:15 a.m.	6:45 p.m.	6:15 p.m.	6:45 p.m.	6:45 p.m.
class time	10:30 a.m.—noon	7:00 – 8:30 p.m.	6:30 – 8:30 p.m.	7:00 – 8:30 p.m.	7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
location	Toney Building	Toney Building	Toney Building	Toney Building	Toney Building

Registration will begin at the time above. Doors will not open until then. Please do not arrive before the time listed.

**OPTION 2: YQCA On-line Session**

- Go to the following website to take the age-appropriate on-line module: <https://yqca.learn-grow.io/Account/Login>
- The cost of \$12 is the responsibility of the exhibitor
- Youth will need their 4HOnline login and password or they can create their own login and password. Youth **MUST** register using 4HOnline for their results to automatically show up in 4HOnline (this is preferred).

**OPTION 3: Test Out**

**Preble County QA Test Out for 2020**  
 Monday, April 6th  
 Fairgrounds from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.  
 Times will be assigned when pre-registering

1. Junior Fair youth ages 12 and older have the opportunity to take a QA test instead of attending the annual education session. There are tests for two age brackets of youth: 12 to 14 years old and 15 to 18 years old.
2. Once you have passed the test for your age bracket, you are exempt from the Quality Assurance program until you reach the next age bracket. For example, if a 12 year old takes and passes the test this year, he or she would not be obligated to participate in the Quality Assurance program until he or she turns 15. At that time he or she could take the next test or choose to attend the Quality Assurance education sessions.
3. The test is available in multiple formats: 12 – 14 year old small animal or large animal and 15 – 18 year old small animal or large animal. Small animal tests include poultry and rabbits. Large animal tests include beef, sheep, dairy, and goats. If the youth has projects in both areas, they select either the small or large animal test (suggest you select the test for species you spend the most time with.)
4. Tests are comprised of 50 questions. A passing grade is 70% or higher, meaning a minimum of 35 questions must be answered correctly. Questions are derived from the Ohio Youth Food Animal Quality Assurance Curriculum Guide. Good studying resources are animal resource handbooks and the livestock Skillathon kits, focusing on management practices, nutrition, housing, safe equipment use, health maintenance, and caring for the animals.

**\*\*TO REGISTER:** Come into the office, call 456-8174, send fax to 456-8180 or e-mail [Tilton.47@osu.edu](mailto:Tilton.47@osu.edu)

We need the following information for each member wishing to take the test: your 4-H age; will you be taking the large animal or small animal test