

2022 Henry County Cloverbud Advisor Kick-Off

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Get to know each other!

Please stand & give us...

- Your Name
- Your Club
- Number of years as a Cloverbud Advisor
- What is a FAVORITE Cloverbud Program you do?
- What would you say your biggest struggle is within your Cloverbud Program?



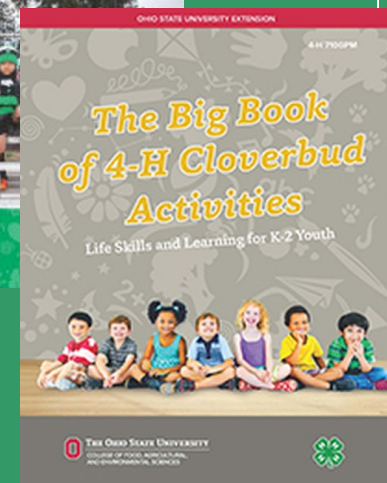
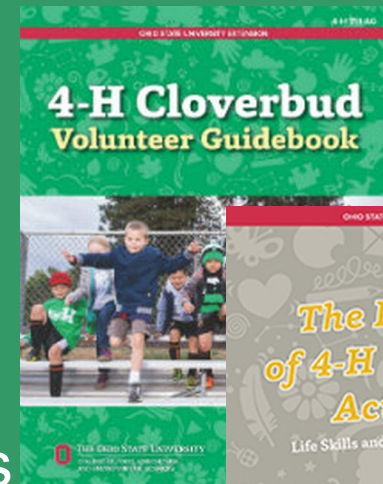
Henry County 4-H Communication

- **Facebook**
 - facebook.com/groups.henryco4hrocks
- **Website**
 - henry.osu.edu
- **Henry County 4-H Blog**
 - Think 4-H News & Notes meets 4-H Flashes, except online
 - Members must subscribe – or contact the office to subscribe
 - <https://u.osu.edu/henry4h/>



Some great Cloverbud Resources...

- 4-H Cloverbud Volunteer Guidebook
- The Big Book of 4-H Cloverbud Activities
- Cloverbud kits
 - Available through the office
 - Paper kits available online
- Website
 - ohio4h.org/forcloverbudleaders



Some great Cloverbud Resources...

- **Cloverbud Connections**
 - Subscribe to the Ohio State Cloverbud Blog
 - <https://u.osu.edu/cloverbudconnections>
- **Click It, Print It, Do It Activities**
- **Cloverbud Cubes**
- **Library**
- **Coloring Books**
- **Pinterest**



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- Cloverbud Connections

➤ <https://u.osu.edu/cloverbudconnections>

4-H CLOVERBUD CONNECTIONS

Resources for 4-H Cloverbud Volunteers & Extension Staff



HOME

4-H CLOVERBUD
READING ADVENTURES

CLICK IT, PRINT IT, DO IT
ACTIVITIES – NEW
ACTIVITIES!

CLOVERBUD
EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITY
KITS

OHIO 4-H CLOVERBUD
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Caring for Others

February 7, 2022 at 7:00am by [Scott D. Scheer, Professor, Agricultural Communication, Education, and Leadership](#)

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Cloverbud aged children often focus on themselves as they are forming their self-concept. As young Cloverbud children (5 – 6 years old) become 7- to 8-year-olds, they start to increase their awareness and concern for others; in particular, they can have empathy toward others. Empathy results from an increase in their emotional understanding skills as thinking abilities develop and through social experiences. In the 4-H Cloverbud program we can help members learn to care for others and grow their empathy skills.



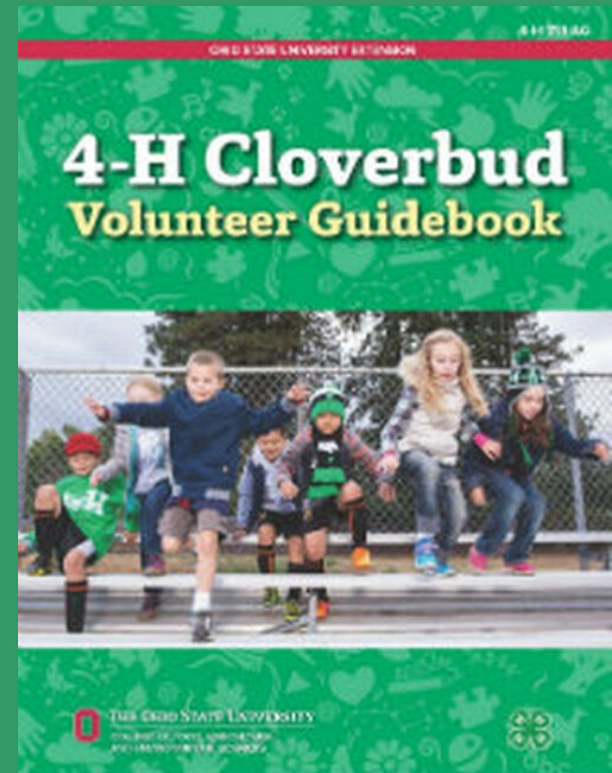
Certainly, it's a good thing to care for others and be kind, but why is empathy and caring for others important for Cloverbuds? By learning to care of others, children benefit in many ways:

- Contributes to their overall healthy development
- Builds positive relationships with other kids and adults
- Feel a sense of accomplishment
- Increase their self-esteem and confidence
- Creates a sense of belonging



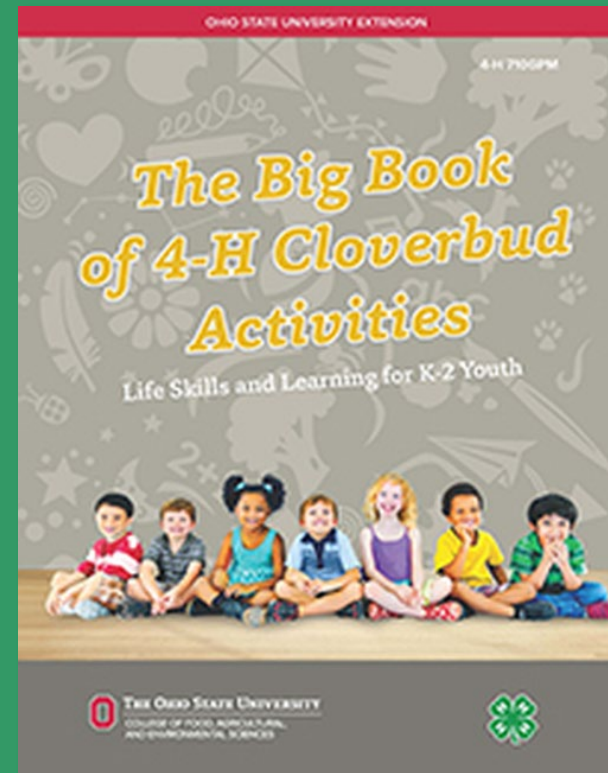
4-H Cloverbud Volunteer Guidebook

- **What's in it?**
 - **Goals of the Cloverbud program**
 - **Cloverbud Volunteer Position Description**
 - **What are the characteristics of the kids we're working with?**
 - **What are the 8 Essential Elements?**



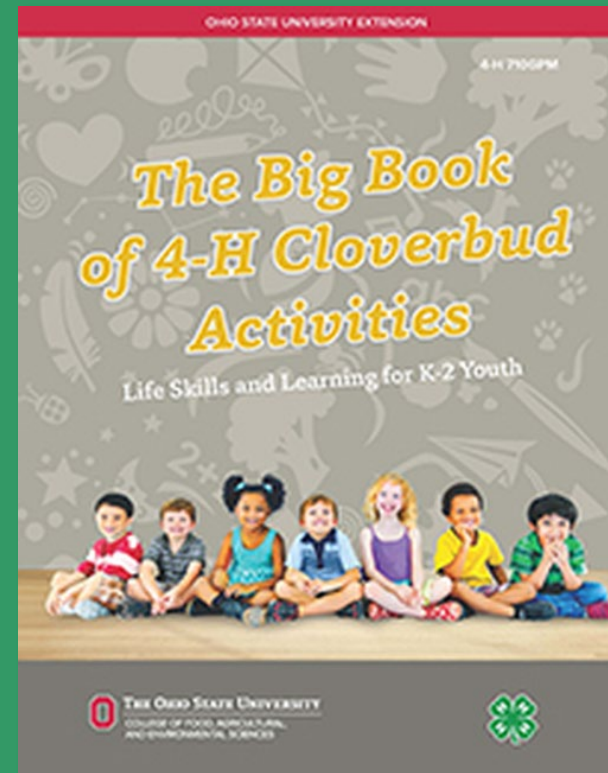
Big Book of Cloverbud Activities

- **What's in it?**
 - **Main Topics of discussion**
 - STEM
 - Community & Expressive Arts
 - Healthy Lifestyle
 - Environmental & Earth Science
 - Personal Development
 - Citizenship & Citizenship & Civic Education
 - Consumerism & Family Science
 - Plants & Animals



Big Book of Cloverbud Activities

- Select the “theme”
- Check out the additional Learning Activities
- Handouts to supplement Learning Activities are also included



How do you plan your year?

- Henry.osu.edu > 4-H Youth Development > Cloverbuds

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4-H Cloverbud Meeting & Activities – Yearly Plan

Club Name: _____

Advisor/s: _____

Phone Number: _____

Phone Number: _____

Notes: _____

Meeting Number	Date	Time	Location	Activity/Topic	Refreshments
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					
6					
7					
8					
9					
10					



How do you plan your meetings?

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CLOVERBUD MEETING PLANNING TEMPLATE

adapted by Christy Millhouse, 4-H Educator, Preble County

Date:	Time:	Place:
OPENING: Open the meeting with traditional members by reciting the Pledge of allegiance and the 4-H pledge, answering roll-call, and listening to the Secretary's and Treasurer's reports. Then, move to the <u>Cloverbud</u> meeting area.		
ACTIVITY COMPONENT*	ACTIVITY	SUPPLIES NEEDED
GETTING STARTED: Introduce familiarize and sensitize the learners to the topic.		
DIGGING DEEPER: Involves exploration of the topic; focused, hands-on activities.		
LOOKING WITHIN: Help learners understand how to apply what they learn to their daily lives.		
BRINGING CLOSURE: Help members celebrate their experiences with the group. It can be as simple as a follow-up game or snack that relates to the topic.		
GOING BEYOND: Ideas for follow-up at home or after the meeting, which might include a letter to parents outlining what was taught, discussed, and experienced.		
REFRESHMENTS:		
RECREATION:		
ADJOURN: Release <u>Cloverbuds</u> to their parent/guardian. Remind parents/guardians of the next meeting date, time and location.		
*The Big Book of <u>Cloverbud</u> Activities can be purchased from your local OSU Extension office. Lessons are organized by learning activities consisting of five main components described above. Choose one learning activity from three or four of the components for each meeting.		

CLOVERBUD MEETING PLANNING TEMPLATE

While it is recommended that activities be chosen from the Big Book of Cloverbud Activities, there are additional resources that might be used for meetings. This template can be used in those cases.

Remember to keep activities short—about 15 to 20 minutes with frequent changes of steps. There is room below for 4 activities but the maturity of your group should guide the number of activities that you complete.

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ACTIVITY	SUPPLIES NEEDED	
INTRODUCTORY ACTIVITY:		
MEETING ACTIVITY 1:		
MEETING ACTIVITY 2:		
CLOSING ACTIVITY:		
REFRESHMENTS:		
RECREATION:		
ADJOURN: Release <u>Cloverbuds</u> to their parent/guardian. Remind parents/guardians of the next meeting date, time and location.		

What is the Cloverbud Program?

Main Goal:

- Promote children's healthy development – mentally, physically, socially & emotionally



What is the Cloverbud Program?

- Informal educational experience
 - Confidence
 - Social Skills
 - Decision-making abilities
 - Subject matter knowledge
 - Physical Skills



Who is eligible?

Youth ages 5 years old AND in Kindergarten up to age 8 & in 3rd grade.



Additional Goals of the Cloverbud Program

- Self-understanding
- Social interaction
- Decision-making
- Learning
- Physical Mastery



Volunteer Position Description (pg 4)

- Willingness to become familiar with & work within the philosophy & guidelines of OSUE & the 4-H Program
- Conduct meaningful educational experiences to help young people grow & reach their full potential



Volunteer Position Description (pg 4)

- Inform & encourage members, parents & other volunteers to actively engage in Cloverbud program activities
- Have fun!
- Utilize the Cloverbud Curriculum Instructional materials



What is provided by OSU...

- Training opportunities for members, volunteers & parents
- Manuals, materials & resources
- Professionals to consult on a one-on-one basis
- Recognition & awards to volunteers
- Leadership for recruitment



Cloverbud Program Foundation

- 1) Activity Based
- 2) Centered around cooperative-learning
- 3) Non-competitive
- 4) offers age-appropriate participation in county junior fairs
- 5) offers safe activities



Cloverbud Program Foundation

- 6) Age appropriate activities
- 7) activities that are fundamentally different from those programs for older youth
- 8) features success-oriented curriculum



Cloverbud Program Foundation

- 9) limited and successful interaction with animals & animal subject matter
- 10) Offers activities that are fun & positive!



2023 Cloverbud Events

- Cloverbud Camp

- 2023 Theme:

- “Sunrise Safari at Henry County Cloverbud Camp”

- June 6, 7, 8 at Henry County Fairgrounds

- Mini-Grants

- Up to 12 Mini-Grants to be awarded by Henry County 4-H Endowment, maximum of \$50.00 per club

- Deadline: April 1



2023 Cloverbud Events

➤ Cloverbud Booth

➤ 2023 Theme:

➤ “Educating & Entertaining for 170 years”

➤ Asking each Cloverbud Program to contribute one
“thing” this year

➤ Henry County Fair

➤ We have some EXCITING activities we’re planning!
Stay tuned!

➤ Kid’s Day – Wednesday August 16



Any questions?



How to contact me



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- Work Phone: 419-592-0806
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