# **Ohio 4-H Cloverbud Resources**

The 4-H Cloverbud program is developmentally age-appropriate for youth age 5 and in kindergarten to age 8 and in the third grade. Children are involved in noncompetitive group activities, rather than individual projects. In doing so, the children learn life skills, which include getting along with others and feeling good about themselves. As a parent or Cloverbud volunteer, you might be searching for activities you can do with your children or lead in a virtual environment. Here are some resources that may help in your quest.

# Resources You Can Order from OSU Publications - extensionpubs.osu.edu

#### The Big Book of 4-H Cloverbud Activities

This revised classic includes updated versions of hundreds of activities for 4-H Cloverbuds in these topic areas: science and technology, communications/expressive arts, healthy lifestyle, environmental/earth science, personal development, citizenship/civic education, consumerism and family science, and plants and animals.



#### My 4-H Cloverbud Year

This fun book is a great way for Cloverbuds to learn the basics of 4-H and keep track of their activities and events. It can be repeated each year a child is a Cloverbud member and is especially appropriate for older Cloverbud members as they prepare to transition to regular membership.



#### **Clover Cubes**

Clover Cubes combine creativity, cooperation, interaction and fun into a great 4-H Cloverbud activity. Each Clover Cube has six discussion prompts that help children explore a particular topic and share answers with friends. Twelve cubes are included: All About Me, Animal Awareness, Art Adventures, Engineering Excellence, Fitness Fun, Food Favorites, 4-H FUN-damentals, Make Your Own, Math Mania, Technology Talk and Words That Start With. Cubes are easily assembled from brightly colored, punch-out shapes on heavy duty card stock.



#### **Choose and Tell Cards**

Intended for 4-H's youngest participants, this educational piece is a colorful deck of 4" x 6" cards that introduce Cloverbuds to public speaking and communication skills. Forty-nine engaging activities are divided into four levels—from easy to difficult—of short, uncomplicated topics for demonstration speeches. Cards are color coded so that selecting and sorting cards is easy. Objectives are for participants to: 1) develop public speaking and communication skills, 2) gain confidence, and 3) foster important leadership skills.







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### Resources that Can be Printed & Viewed -

#### https://u.osu.edu/cloverbudconnections/click-it/

#### Click it, Print it, Do it Activities

Explore 50 different hands-on, creative activities designed for volunteers to use with youth K-2.

#### Sample Activities:

Moo-ving Milk Respectacles Pretty Poisons Dog Behaviors

Lego Craft

I Can Eat the Whole Plant Be a Nature Detective Picture I Spy Activity

Listening and Coloring Activities Reduce, Reuse, Recycle

4-H Welcome Mats Giving Spending Saving Fun Fit Hike

Weave a Flag Activity 4-H Pledge Activity



#### **4-H Cloverbud Educational Activity Kits**

Cloverbud Educational Kits are timely and easy-to-use teaching resources. The kits focus on five areas and can be found at: https://u.osu.edu/cloverbudconnections/kits/

Our Country The Science of Sound Food Fun Sports Fun

#### **Cloverbud Investigators**

You can find Cloverbud STEM activities as well as activities for every month. Available at: <a href="https://gallia.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/cloverbuds">https://gallia.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/cloverbuds</a>
Sample Activities:

Everything Rainbow
Balloon Greenhouse
Bleaching Out the Color

Geyser Soda Car Non-Newtonian Flubber Plant Dissection Make it Float – Junk Boats Magic of Sandcastles

Wildlife Tracks

## 4-H Cloverbud Blog - https://u.osu.edu/cloverbudconnections

Looking for new ideas and programming tools for your 4-H Cloverbuds? Check out this blog! You can subscribe to the site and receive an email when new posts are added. The site is searchable by key words and topic to help readers find content. New posts are added twice a month. The blog provides a unique blend of education, activities, and fun to build and challenge 4-H Cloverbud Volunteers teaching kindergarten through second grade youth.



Recent Blog Posts: Setting Your Goals; It's Slime Time; Cloverbuds in the Kitchen; Helping Your Children during the COVID-19 Crisis; Learning the 4-H Pledge like Do-Re-Mi...

# 4-H Cloverbud Reading Adventures - https://u.osu.edu/cloverbudconnections/reading

This is the newest addition to Ohio 4-H resources for Cloverbud programming. These activities compliment many favorite children's books. Here is a sampling of activities currently available and the list will continue to grow:

The Berenstain Bears and Too Much Junk Food Splat the Cat

The Rainbow Fish Panda Bear, Panda Bear, What Do You See?

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