May 19, 2020

OHA Update

Public Health Update

170 tests have now been completed; 167 negative test results have come back with 3 tests pending.

Lake Wellness Center Update

Lake Health Update

Public Safety Update

County Update

A letter sent out from the Extension Office:

4-H Volunteers, Families & Community Partners,

On Monday, May 11th community partners from the Fair Board, Fair Association, 4-H, FFA, Market Sale Committee, and Roundup Association joined together for a Special Fair Planning Meeting. We are working on a plan for a path forward regarding Fair. We will connect again mid-summer to reevaluate plans based on the current conditions. We will keep you posted on any decisions that are made. Currently, Lake County Extension programs are in the discussion/planning stage while working to follow State, County and OSU reopening phases, which all differ in some ways.

Fair Planning Next Steps

We are working closely with our 4-H colleagues across the state to develop a plan to offer opportunities for 4-H members to demonstrate their skills and knowledge while staying in compliance with the Governor’s Executive Orders, Phases of reopening, and OSU policies. We are fortunate to have a later fair, as this gives us additional time to plan and learn from our colleagues who have earlier fairs. We will connect with the Lake County FFA Advisors in early June to start the planning process, so we can develop strategies to implement as allowed.

The 4-H & FFA Market Sale Committee will meet again on July 9, at 6:30 p.m.
4-H Programming
We understand that volunteers are eager to start meeting in-person with their club members. We are looking forward to seeing this happen as well. While the County and many businesses are beginning to “open up,” it is important for you to know that OSU Extension programming is under the umbrella of Higher Education Institutions. Currently, OSU’s activities remain restricted under Executive Order 20-09 to remote instructions and only on-site critical functions until June 13, regardless of the opening of any Oregon counties. If there is any change in this instruction, we will let you know right away.

Update on 4-H Faculty Hires & Additional Support
The 4-H Youth Development & Family Community Health (FCH) Outreach Program Coordinator (Faculty/Agent) is an active search and the first round of interviews have been completed. The Search Committee was awaiting next steps for in-person interviews. Although OSU is in a hiring freeze due to economic challenges of COVID-19, an exception to move forward with this search was approved by OSU’s Provost. The search process will continue once in-person interviews can be held following OSU guidelines.

In the meantime, Jamie Davis (previous Lake County 4-H Extension Agent) will provide support to the Lake County 4-H Program and navigating summer programs/events, which we appreciate very much!

Sincerely,

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School Updates

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