

# Ohio County Farm & Home News

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## CAIP APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE NEXT WEEK



Applications for the “2024 County Agricultural Investment Program – CAIP” (cost-share program) will be available at the Ohio Co. Extension Office, starting next Monday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, applications may be picked up during normal business hours – 8:00 a.m. till noon & 1:00 p.m. till 4 :30 p.m. You may also print a copy of the application off the Ohio Co. Extension website at: <https://ohio.ca.uky.edu/>

Applications will be available from April 22<sup>nd</sup> - May 24<sup>th</sup>, but must be turned into the Extension Office by **noon on May 24<sup>th</sup>, no exceptions.**

Information about the different projects areas eligible for cost-share are available on the KDA website at: <https://www.kyagr.com/agpolicy/2024-Program-Guidelines-and-Applications.html> Scroll down to the guidelines for the “CAIP” program. When looking thru this website, make sure you are looking at the “2024 Guidelines” and not the 2023 guidelines.

If you do not have internet access, you may visit the Ohio Co. Extension Office and we have a computer/internet you may use to check the guidelines.

As always, there have been changes to some of the project areas, so read the guidelines closely.

## OHIO COUNTY WASTE TIRE COLLECTION

Ohio County in partnership with the Ky Division of Waste Management is sponsoring a “Waste Tire

Collection” this Thursday, April 18 thru Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup>. If you have waste tires, you can deliver them to the Ohio Co. Solid Waste Lot at 2300 Hwy 69N outside of Hartford. The lot is located at the Ohio Co. Park, near the county garage.



The collection dates & times are:

- Thursday, April 18 - 8a.m. till 5 p.m.
- Friday, April 19 – 8 a.m. till 5 p.m.
- Saturday, April 20 – 8 a.m. till 1 p.m.

Tires will be accepted on or off the rim. Tires NOT accepted are:

- Foam filled tires
- Calcium filled tires
- Off-road construction tires (OTR)
- Rubber tracks
- Solid tires with or without press on rims

Take advantage of this free service to properly dispose of your unwanted tires!!!!

## BEGINNING GRAZING SCHOOL

The 2024 Spring “Kentucky Beginning Grazing School”, hosted by U.K., promises a valuable learning experience for livestock producers.

This year's school, occurring April 30 and May 1 in Princeton, Kentucky, has undergone significant program updates, intensifying its focus on the crucial role of building and implementing a successful grazing management plan. The program aims to enhance profitability through a blend of hands-on activities and classroom instruction. While this school is geared toward

those just starting out, the topics and discussions will benefit producers at all stages.

The first day features in-class discussions at Central Presbyterian Church on soil fundamentals, rotational grazing techniques, optimizing nutritional balance on pasturelands, grazing arithmetic principles and a visit to a local grazing operation at Flynn's Fork Farm.

Attendees will learn about portable and seasonal water systems, strategies for assessing pasture productivity, determining optimal stocking rates and practical demonstrations for setting up small paddocks.

Post-lunch sessions at the farm explore electric fencing for grazing control, offset strategies, soil and hay sampling, effective forage plant cultivation and grazing management strategies. The day culminates in discussions surrounding appropriate forage species selections to create a holistic grazing system.

The second day continues with discussions on various fence types and associated costs, instructions on designing grazing systems, dispelling common grazing myths impacting profitability and revitalizing rundown farms.

Activities conclude with a return to the research farm, allowing participants to observe and dissect the previous day's hands-on grazing exercise. Attendees can calibrate a grain drill and experiment with a user-friendly GPS unit designed to enhance seeding precision.

Registration is open until April 28. Workshops kick off at 7:30 a.m. CST with refreshments and conclude at 5 p.m. The cost is \$60 per participant. To register, purchase online

at <https://Spring2024GrazingSchool.eventbrite.com> or in the events section at <https://forages.ca.uky.edu/events>.

To register by mail, send a \$60 check payable to KFGC at the following address: UK Research and Education Center, attention Caroline Roper, PO Box 469, Princeton, KY 42445. Please specify "2024 Spring Grazing School" in the check memo line.

## UPCOMING Events

- April 25 – Ky. Fencing School; Graves Co. Extension Office, Mayfield; 8:00 a.m. till 4:30 p.m.
- April 30 – May 1 - Beginning Grazing School; Central Presbyterian Church; Princeton; 7:30 a.m. till 4:00 p.m. each day
- May 14 – U.K. Wheat Field Day; U.K. Research Farm, Princeton; 8:30 a.m. till noon
- May 21 - KATS Crop Scouting School; U.K. Research Farm, Princeton; 8:00 a.m. till 3:30 p.m.