



Your Membership is **MORE CRITICAL** Than Ever Before...

Join OSIA Today

and Make Your Voice Count!

The Ohio Sheep Improvement Association thanks you for your support. From policy to regulatory issues and industry image to education, your investment of OSIA makes a difference!

Check out what OSIA is doing for Ohio sheep, lamb, and wool farmers:

- **Involvement in sheep industry related legislative activities**, including in 2023 major activity with Ohio State Fair/Ohio Exposition Center Taskforce, Ohio Meat Processing Grants, Ohio Department of Agriculture Animal Disease Laboratory (ADDL), Beginning Farmers Tax Program. Also instrumental in working with ASI to provide the much needed Coronavirus Food Assistance Program (CFAP) for lambs, sheep, and wool, and inclusion for wool payments in the Wool LDP Program.
- **Providing educational opportunities to sheep, lamb, and wool producers**, including the Buckeye Shepherd's Symposium, Buckeye Young Shepherd's Expo, Statewide Sheep Production Tour, etc.
- **Providing sheep, lamb, and wool leadership programming through a council and committee structure**, including but not limited to the Educational Programming, Public Policy, Youth Programming, Membership Marketing, Scholarships, Lamb and Wool Promotional Activities, and the OSIA LEAD Council.
- **Engaging young sheep producers in the sheep industry** through educational programming, the Ralph Grimshaw Memorial, Dr. Jack Judy Memorial, High Family Memorial and OSIA LEAD Scholarship Programs, Young Shepherd's Assembly Program and the Ohio Lamb and Wool Ambassador Program.
- **Coordinating one of the largest lamb promotional efforts in the United States**, the Ohio State Fair "Taste of Ohio Café" sells approximately 3,000 lbs. of Fresh American Lamb to consumers annually at the Ohio State Fair.
- **Representing Ohio sheep, lamb, and wool farmers** at the national sheep industry level with several Ohio representatives on American Sheep Industry (ASI) councils and committees.
- **Educating the Ohio and National legislators about the importance of Ohio's sheep industry** and the economic contribution sheep, lamb, and wool farmers make to our state through personal meetings, events, and letters.
- **Sponsorship of the wool promotional program, Ohio Make it With Wool (OMIWW)**, to promote the use of American produced wool, creating the best wool promotional programs in the United States.
- **Working with Ohio's leadership and state agencies such as Ohio Department of Agriculture (ODA) and Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR)** to monitor and assess the impact on rules and regulations that may affect sheep farmers and the products they produce. **Current primary focus: Water Quality**
- **Engaging with the Ohio Livestock Care Standards Board (OLCSB)** to safeguard the future of Ohio sheep farmers and communicate newly established standards to the sheep community. Through the involvement of the Ohio Sheep Improvement Association, the Sheep OLCSB rules remain beneficial to Ohio producers.
- **Representing Ohio's sheep, lamb, and wool farmers** on state committees and advisory boards such as Ohio Livestock Coalition, ODA CAFF Advisory Board, Ohio Agricultural Council, Ohio Agriculture Conservation Initiative (OACI), Ohio Livestock Exhibition Committee and Ohio Livestock Nutrient Management Taskforce.



For more information about OSIA, please visit www.ohiosheep.org or call 614-246-8299.

2024 Ohio Sheep Improvement Association

Membership Form

To become a member of OSIA, please fill out this form and send with your dues.

(Please print)

Name: _____

Farm/Business Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____ County: _____

Phone: (____) _____ Email: _____

PLEASE CIRCLE ALL THAT APPLY:

Commercial Purebred Lamb feeder Allied industry/ business Youth Club lamb producer

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

► **Farm, Family, Individual, and Youth Membership: #3002** **\$50.00** _____

If you are a youth, (age 22 or younger as of 1/1/2024), are involved in OSIA LEAD Council shows and activities or to be eligible for the Ralph H. Grimshaw, Dr. Jack Judy Memorial, High Family Memorial, and OSIA LEAD Scholarships, or the OSIA Ohio Lamb and Wool Ambassador Program the youth's name and date of birth must also be included on this form. This category covers all immediate family members.

_____	_____	_____	_____
Youth name	Date of Birth	Youth name	Date of Birth
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Youth name	Date of Birth	Youth name	Date of Birth

► **Association Membership: #3005** **\$50.00** _____

► **Corporate/Allied Industry: #3010** **\$100.00** _____

► **OSIA General Scholarship Fund (Grimshaw, LEAD, OLWA) Donation: #2831** \$ _____

► **Dr. Jack Judy Memorial Scholarship Fund Donation: OFBFoundation** \$ _____

► **High Family Memorial Scholarship Fund Donation: OFBFoundation** \$ _____

Total Enclosed \$ _____



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