4-H POULTRY JUDGING CONTEST
SATURDAY, AUGUST 5
Buckeye Sports Center
Registration – 8:30 a.m.
Contest Instructions – 9:30 a.m.
(Registration and Contest Instructions will be in the Buckeye Sports Center)
Entry Deadline without Penalty – Friday, July 7 Postmark
$5.00 per Contestant
Day-of-Contest Entry Fee - $10.00 per Contestant

MARY NEVISKA, 4-H Volunteer, Morrow County, Superintendent
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GENERAL RULES
1. All participants must be current 4-H members as of January 1, 2017.
2. Each SENIOR contestant must have passed his or her 14th birthday and cannot have passed his or her 19th birthday by January 1, 2017. (Therefore, youth turning 19 on or before December 31, 2016 are too old to participate.)
3. Each JUNIOR contestant must be 8 years of age and in the 3rd grade as of January 1, 2017, and must not have passed his or her 13th birthday by January 1, 2017. (Therefore, youth turning 14 on or before December 31, 2016 must participate in the Senior Contest.)
4. Contestants must not have participated in a national poultry judging contest for the respective judging contest/species they wish to enter.
5. Contestants must not have participated in or enrolled in official postsecondary (university, college, junior college, or technical school) competitive judging events, including judging courses, for the respective contest/species they wish to enter.
6. Youth must represent their county of 4-H enrollment. A team must consist of a minimum of three and maximum of four members within the same age category.
   a. When four members judge, the contestant with the lowest overall score will be designated as the alternate, however will still be eligible for individual awards.
   b. If a county does not have enough members for a team, they may enter one or two individuals to compete for high individual.
7. A county Extension professional must sign each team’s registration form.
8. Junior and senior teams, as well as all individuals, are eligible for awards. Each county may enter multiple teams; however, only one county team will be eligible for travel awards.
9. In both the Junior and Senior contests, cross-county teams are allowed to participate if one county does not have enough members to complete a team. For cross-county teams:
   a. Members must represent their county of 4-H enrollment.
   b. Members from one or more additional counties can make up a cross-county team.
   c. Cross-county team members do not need to be from neighboring counties with adjacent borders.
   d. One Extension professional from the county in which the team is registered must sign the registration form.
   e. One Extension professional from the other county (counties) where the cross-county team member(s) is enrolled must provide enrollment documentation in the form of a letter
written on county Extension letterhead. This letter must be attached to the team’s entry form.

f. Documentation will be confirmed upon receipt of registration.

10. Contestants are NOT permitted to wear any apparel (shirts, jackets, lab coats, belt buckles, etc.) that distinguishes in any manner who they are or where they are from, i.e. individual’s name, 4-H club, county, etc.

11. Contestants are not permitted to have cell phones or any other electronic devices in their possession during competition.

12. Contestants are required to identify a minimum of one class of parts, two classes of ready-to-cook birds (broilers and turkeys), one class of broken-out eggs, one class of interior quality eggs, and one class of exterior quality eggs, and place and give oral reasons (required for seniors, optional for juniors) on the two classes of production hens.

13. SENIORS are required to give one set of oral reasons which will be included in the scoring for team and individual awards.

14. JUNIOR oral reasons will be an OPTIONAL contest and will not be counted in scoring for overall individual and team awards. However, awards will be provided for the optional oral reasons contest.

15. Once SENIOR individuals have competed in the national contest they are no longer eligible to compete in the state contest.

16. Past winners from the state contest held during the Ohio State Fair are eligible to participate and to earn awards.

AWARDS:

Senior

1. The five highest scoring county teams will receive awards provided by the Ohio State Fair.

2. The ten highest scoring individuals will receive medals and rosettes provided by the Ohio State Fair. Ties will be broken on the basis of total placing scores.

3. Awards for the top ten individuals in oral reasons will be provided by the Ohio Poultry Association.

4. The first place senior team will have the opportunity to represent Ohio in the national 4-H contest held in conjunction with the North American International Livestock Exposition (NAILE) in Louisville, KY, November 2017. A dollar amount will be designated for the team for use for this contest. Any costs above the designated amount must be incurred by the team.

   a. In the event that not enough team members are available to represent the first place winning team at the national contest, members from the second place team will be asked to complete the team to represent Ohio 4-H. If there are not enough members from the first and second place teams to constitute a state team, members from the third place team will be asked to make up the remaining openings for the state team. Members from the second place team will be asked to participate based on their overall scores, with the highest placing member asked first, and so on. The same procedure will be followed with the third place team. (with approval by the State 4-H Office, 4-H Livestock, Companion & Small Animal Specialist)
Junior
1. The five highest scoring county teams will receive awards provided by the Ohio State Fair.
2. The ten highest scoring individuals will receive medals and rosettes provided by the Ohio State Fair. Ties will be broken on the basis of total placing scores.
3. Awards for the top ten individuals in oral reasons (optional) will be provided by the Ohio State Fair.

Additional team and individual awards are sponsored by the Ohio Poultry Association, the Ohio Egg Marketing Program, and the Ohio Chicken and Turkey Marketing Program.
2017 OHIO STATE FAIR 4-H POULTRY JUDGING CONTEST REGISTRATION FORM

Saturday, August 5, 2017 – Buckeye Sports Center
Registration begins at 8:30am– Contest Instructions begin at 9:30am

Entry Deadline without Penalty – Friday, July 7
Entry Fee - $5.00 per Contestant (No Refunds)

Make Checks Payable to: The Ohio State University

Mail Completed Registration Form and Payment to:
Dr. Lucinda Miller, Extension Specialist, 4-H Livestock,
Companion & Small Animal Programs
310 Nationwide & Ohio Farm Bureau 4-H Center
2201 Fred Taylor Dr.
Columbus, OH 43210

Mail by Friday, July 7

Day-of-Contest Entry Fee is $10.00 per Contestant

Note: Entry Deadline without Penalty: Contestant names are not required on this form. Team coaches will fill out a team registration form with individual names and home addresses at check-in on the day of the contest. However, the Extension Professional’s signature is required.

Note: Day-of-Contest Entries: All teams and/or individual contestants entering the day of the contest MUST bring this registration form signed by the county’s Extension Professional to contest registration. Team coaches will then fill out a team registration form with individual names and home addresses at check-in.

County 4-H Program: ____________________________________________

Coach’s Name(s): ____________________________________________

Number of Senior Contestants Entered (14 years and over on Jan. 1, 2017): ________

Number of Junior Contestants Entered (13 years and under on Jan. 1, 2017): ________

Total Numbers of Contestants Entered: ________ X $5.00 = ________ (Payment must be included with this form to meet the July 7th entry deadline of $5.00 per contestant.)

Extension Professional’s Signature: ____________________________________________