

**COMPANION ANIMAL DAY**  
**Friday, July 28, 2023 - Lausche Youth Center**  
(INCLUDES *All About Dogs* and *You and Your Dog*)

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**REMINDERS FOR COMPANION ANIMAL DAY JUDGING:**

- Youth **ARE NOT** permitted to bring live animals to judging. Please refer to the judging criteria below.
- All projects INCLUDING *All About Dogs* and *You and Your Dog* will be judged on Friday, July 28 at the Youth Center.

**GENERAL GUIDELINES**

1. Participation is open to youth ages 8 and in the third grade, or 9 years old and older regardless of grade level, as of January 1, 2023. The last year of eligibility, or participation, in 4-H is the year in which the individual turns 19.
2. The clock trophy winner of any one class in 2022 will **not** be eligible to participate in the same class for 2023 with the following exceptions: if the winners of the 2022 Pocket Pet classes (J-10 and J-11), the Reptiles and Amphibians class (J-14), and the Self-Determined class (J-15) are taking DIFFERENT species within those projects from the species with which they won in 2022.
3. Companion animal projects include:

216 Cat 1 – <i>Purrr-fect Pals</i>	365.13 <i>Reptiles and Amphibians Idea Starter</i>
217 Cat 2 – <i>Climbing Up</i>	365.26 <i>Hedgehogs Idea Starter</i>
218 Cat 3 – <i>Leaping Forward</i>	365.27 <i>Ferrets Idea Starter</i>
215 4-H Cavy (Guinea Pig)	365.28 <i>Chinchillas Idea Starter</i>
227 Pet Rabbits	200 <i>All About Dogs</i>
220 Pocket Pets	201D <i>You and Your Dog</i>

365 *Self-Determined* Companion Animal, for youth taking a companion animal not listed as a project above, such as caged birds, pot-bellied pigs, hermit crabs, pet chickens, etc.

  - *Pocket Pets*, Project No. 220, **includes only the following animals**: mice, rats, hamsters, and gerbils.
  - *Self-Determined Companion Animals* should be judged during Companion Animal Day. Youth may NOT have their self-determined companion animal projects judged at both Companion Animal Day and Self-Determined Day.
  - *All About Dogs* is for beginning level members who are not ready to take a 4-H dog project that requires owning a dog.
  - *You and Your Dog* classes are interview classes for youth WITHOUT their dogs. Youth showing dogs at the Ohio State Fair Dog Shows are not eligible to participate in these interview classes. Youth being interviewed in *You and Your Dog* classes are not eligible to enter any dog in the Ohio State Fair Dog Shows.
4. Each county may send no more than **ONE** participant in each class.
5. No one individual may participate in more than one class.

**JUDGING CRITERIA**

1. Participants will have an interview with a judge.
2. There will be a 7-minute time limit for each interview.
3. The judge will evaluate participants on their knowledge of the project, the overall interview, and the visual display. Refer to OSF Companion Animal Day score sheets, which can be found at the end of these rules and at: [www.go.osu.edu/companionanimals](http://www.go.osu.edu/companionanimals). Judging criteria is different for each score sheet.
  - Companion Animal Day Score Sheet (includes all projects except *All About Dogs* and *You and Your Dog*)

- All About Dogs Interview Score Sheet
- You and Your Dog Interview Score Sheet
- You and Your Dog Interview Score Sheet and Evaluation Areas Explanation

**4. Participants must bring:**

- Completed project book (if applicable); completed project records.
- An educational display representing the learning experience of the 2023 current project. This display may be in addition to, or updated from, what was used either at local 4-H judging or county fair judging.
- Refer to respective score sheets which may include specific items for judging.

**CLASSES**

All ages are 4-H age, as of January 1, 2023.

J-1	Cat 1 – (ages 8-10)	J-12	Cavies – (ages 8-12)
J-2	Cat 1 – (ages 11-13)	J-13	Cavies – (ages 13-18)
J-3	Cat 1 – (ages 14-18)	J-14	Reptiles & Amphibians – (ages 8-18)
J-4	Cat 2 – (ages 8-12)	J-15	Self-Determined/Hedgehog, Ferret, Chinchilla Idea Starters
J-5	Cat 2 – (ages 13-18)		– (ages 8-18)
J-6	Cat 3 – (ages 8-18)	J-16	All About Dogs Interviews – (ages 8-11)
J-7	Pet Rabbits – (ages 8-10)	J-17	All About Dogs Interviews – (ages 12-14)
J-8	Pet Rabbits – (ages 11-13)	J-18	All About Dogs Interviews – (ages 15-18)
J-9	Pet Rabbits – (ages 14-18)	J-19	You and Your Dog Interviews – (ages 8-11)
J-10	Pocket Pets – (ages 8-12)	J-20	You and Your Dog Interviews – (ages 12-14)
J-11	Pocket Pets – (ages 13-18)	J-21	You and Your Dog Interviews – (ages 15-18)

**JUDGING SCHEDULE**

- Exhibitors will enter the Ohio State Fairgrounds through the Cardinal Gate.
- Times listed below are for reporting to registration.
- The exact judging schedule depends on the number reporting at any one time.

9:00 a.m.	Clark, Delaware, Fairfield, Fayette, Pickaway
9:30 a.m.	Ashland, Franklin, Licking, Logan, Madison, Marion
10:00 a.m.	Allen, Champaign Morrow, Muskingum, Union
10:30 a.m.	Coshocton, Crawford, Greene, Hardin, Hocking, Holmes
11:00 a.m.	Knox, Miami, Montgomery, Perry, Richland, Ross
11:30 a.m.	Athens, Clinton, Guernsey, Hancock Shelby, Vinton, Wyandot,
1:00 p.m.	Highland, Huron, Jackson, Medina, Morgan, Pike, Seneca, Stark, Summit
1:30 p.m.	Auglaize, Belmont, Tuscarawas, Warren, Wayne, Wood,
2:00 p.m.	Butler, Carroll, Clermont, Darke, Erie, Hamilton, Harrison, Lorain
2:30 p.m.	Monroe, Noble, Paulding, Portage, Preble, Putnam, Sandusky, Van Wert, Washington
3:00 p.m.	Adams, Ashtabula, Brown, Columbiana, Cuyahoga, Defiance, Fulton, Gallia, Geauga, Henry, Jefferson, Lake, Lawrence
3:30 p.m.	Lucas, Mahoning, Meigs, Mercer, Ottawa, Scioto, Trumbull, Williams

## AWARDS

1. Awards will be presented at approximately 4:30pm.
2. All participants will receive participation ribbons sponsored by **The Ohio State Fair**.
3. Those not present for the awards ceremony should arrange for an adult to pick up their award at the conclusion should they receive one. Unclaimed awards will be available for pick up at the Nationwide & Ohio Farm Bureau 4-H Center.
4. Results will be posted online at [go.osu.edu/23osfresults](http://go.osu.edu/23osfresults).

### For All Classes:

1. "Outstanding of the Day" rosettes, sponsored by **The Ohio State Fair**, will be awarded to the top 20% in each class.
2. A clock trophy will be awarded to each overall class winner provided they have received an "Outstanding of the Day" award.

### 2022 Class Winners:

\*Class winners – Please check 2023 classes and information in the **General Guidelines** section of these rules for eligibility for repeating classes.

J-01 Cat 1 (age 8-10)	Alexa Sinsal-Wallace, Tuscarawas
J-02 Cat 1 (age 11-13)	MaKenzie Sweeney, Crawford
J-03 Cat 1 (age 14+)	Camrin Hunt, Allen
J-04 Cat 2 (age 8-12)	Reese Ogle, Hocking
J-05 Cat 2 (age 13+)	Phoebe Lenke, Ottawa
J-06 Cat 3 (age 8+)	Melina Matics, Washington
J-07 Pet Rabbits (age 8-10)	Nola O'Dell, Williams
J-08 Pet Rabbits (age 11-13)	Taylor Clingman, Franklin
J-09 Pet Rabbits (age 14+)	Kaleigh Williams, Mahoning
J-10 Pocket Pets (age 8-12)	Will Healy, Defiance
J-11 Pocket Pets (age 13+)	Sarah DeLucia, Mahoning
J-12 Cavies (age 8-12)	John Hamilton, Fayette
J-13 Cavies (age 13+)	Ben Wolfe, Guernsey
J-14 Reptiles & Amphibians (age 8+)	Carl Selig, Summit
J-15 Self Determined (age 8+)	Holly Erickson, Clermont
J-16 All About Dogs Interviews (age 8-10)	Leigha Scott, Pickaway
J-17 All About Dogs Interviews (age 11-13)	Jacoby Campbell, Defiance
J-18 All About Dogs Interviews (age 14+)	Natalie Lane, Licking
J-19 You & Your Dog Interviews (age 8-10)	Ayla Lippert, Mahoning
J-20 You & Your Dog Interviews (age 11-13)	Isaac Nelson, Seneca
J-21 You & Your Dog Interviews (age 14+)	Allyson Patterson, Hancock