

COMPANION ANIMAL DAY
Friday, July 26, 2024 - Lausche Youth Exploration Space
(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 26 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, 2024. 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 2023 will **not** be eligible to participate in the same class for 2024 with the following exceptions: if the winners of the 2023 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 2023.

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	<i>Pet Rabbits</i>	200	<i>All About Dogs</i>
220	<i>Pocket Pets</i>	201D	<i>You and Your Dog</i>
365	<i>Self-Determined Companion Animal</i> (for youth taking any companion animal project not listed above, such as caged birds, pot-bellied pigs, hermit crabs, pet chickens, etc...)	210	<i>Assistance Animals in Action</i>

- *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. 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:
- a. Completed project book (if applicable); completed project records.
 - b. An educational display representing the learning experience of the 2024 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.
 - c. Refer to respective score sheets which may include specific items for judging.

CLASSES

All ages are 4-H age, as of January 1, 2024.

J-1	Cat 1 – (ages 8-10)	J-13	Cavies – (ages 13-18)
J-2	Cat 1 – (ages 11-13)	J-14	Reptiles & Amphibians – (ages 8-18)
J-3	Cat 1 – (ages 14-18)	J-15	Self-Determined/Hedgehog, Ferret, Chinchilla Idea Starters – (ages 8-18)
J-4	Cat 2 – (ages 8-12)	J-16	All About Dogs Interviews – (ages 8-11)
J-5	Cat 2 – (ages 13-18)	J-17	All About Dogs Interviews – (ages 12-14)
J-6	Cat 3 – (ages 8-18)	J-18	All About Dogs Interviews – (ages 15-18)
J-7	Pet Rabbits – (ages 8-10)	J-19	You and Your Dog Interviews – (ages 8-11)
J-8	Pet Rabbits – (ages 11-13)	J-20	You and Your Dog Interviews – (ages 12-14)
J-9	Pet Rabbits – (ages 14-18)	J-21	You and Your Dog Interviews – (ages 15-18)
J-10	Pocket Pets – (ages 8-12)	J-22	Assistance Animals in Action – (Ages 8-18)
J-11	Pocket Pets – (ages 13-18)		
J-12	Cavies – (ages 8-12)		

AWARDS

1. All participants will receive participation ribbons sponsored by **The Ohio State Fair**.
2. "Outstanding of the Day" rosettes, sponsored by **The Ohio State Fair**, will be awarded to the top 20% in each class.
A clock trophy will be awarded to each overall class winner.
Awards will be presented at approximately 6:30 p.m.
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/24osfresults.

JUDGING SCHEDULE

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

10:00 a.m. Ashland, Clark, Delaware, Fairfield, Fayette, Pickaway
10:30 a.m. Allen, Champaign, Franklin, Logan, Marion
11:00 a.m. Coshocton, Crawford, Greene, Licking, Madison, Muskingum
11:30 a.m. Hardin, Hocking, Holmes, Knox, Morrow, Richland, Union
1:00 p.m. Mercer, Miami, Montgomery, Ottawa, Perry, Ross, Wyandot
1:30 p.m. Athens, Auglaize, Clinton, Guernsey, Morgan, Shelby, Vinton
2:00 p.m. Highland, Huron, Jackson, Medina, Meigs, Pike, Seneca, Stark, Summit, Williams
2:30 p.m. Belmont, Hancock, Mahoning, Tuscarawas, Wayne, Wood
3:00 p.m. Butler, Carroll, Clermont, Darke, Defiance, Erie, Hamilton, Harrison, Lorain, Lucas, Warren
3:30 p.m. Jefferson, Monroe, Noble, Paulding, Portage, Preble, Putnam, Sandusky, Scioto, Van Wert
4:00 p.m. Adams, Ashtabula, Brown, Columbiana, Cuyahoga, Fulton, Gallia, Geauga, Henry, Lake, Lawrence, Trumbull, Washington

2023 Class Winners:

*Class winners – Please check 2024 classes and information in the **General Guidelines** section of these rules for eligibility for repeating classes.

J-1	Cat 1 – (ages 8-10)	Harper Long, Warren
J-2	Cat 1 – (ages 11-13)	Carolyn Yarnell, Pickaway
J-3	Cat 1 – (ages 14-18)	Haylie Stultz, Pickaway
J-4	Cat 2 – (ages 8-12)	Eleanor Southworth, Ross
J-5	Cat 2 – (ages 13-18)	Lillian Seibert, Clermont
J-6	Cat 3 – (ages 8-18)	Cody Mathias, Gallia
J-7	Pet Rabbits – (ages 8-10)	Audrey Cooper, Tuscarawas
J-8	Pet Rabbits – (ages 11-13)	Grace Hansma, Clermont
J-9	Pet Rabbits – (ages 14-18)	Karli Shuck, Clermont
J-10	Pocket Pets – (ages 8-12)	Claire Hansma, Clermont
J-11	Pocket Pets – (ages 13-18)	Kaleigh Williams, Mahoning
J-12	Cavies – (ages 8-12)	Baird Blondin, Cuyahoga
J-13	Cavies – (ages 13-18)	Lizzie Derflinger, Clermont
J-14	Reptiles & Amphibians – (ages 8-18)	Gracie Weber, Fairfield
J-15	Self-Determined – (ages 8-18)	Dean Harris, Madison
J-16	All About Dogs – (ages 8-10)	Malachi Gerber, Hancock
J-17	All About Dogs – (ages 11-13)	Josh Bingham, Wood
J-18	All About Dogs – (ages 14-18)	Willow Alvey, Guernsey
J-19	You and Your Dog Interviews – (ages 8-10)	Zachary Pugh, Greene
J-20	You and Your Dog Interviews – (ages 11-13)	Rachel Sigler, Tuscarawas
J-21	You and Your Dog Interviews – (ages 14-18)	Jamie Compton, Holmes