2018

Ohio State Fair Junior Fair Dog Show

Poster Contest

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Entry Information and Deadline
1. Youth must be enrolled in either a 4-H or FFA dog project to participate in the Poster Contest, but need not show a dog. 4-H dog projects include All About Dogs, Project No. 200 and the Dog Achievement Program, Project No. 202.

2. Each youth must complete a 2018 Ohio State Fair Dog Show Poster Entry Form and send (or bring) the completed entry form along with poster to the OSF Dog Poster Contest, Nationwide and Ohio Farm Bureau 4-H Center, 2201 Fred Taylor Drive, Columbus, Ohio 43210.

3. Posters must be postmarked by Sunday, July 1. (We will accept a Monday, July 2 postmark since July 1 falls on a Sunday.)

4. Posters postmarked after the July 1 (July 2) deadline will be displayed, but not judged.

5. There are no entry fees for posters.

Awards
1. A first place trophy will be awarded to the winner of each age division. First through 15th place rosettes will be awarded to the top 15 poster winners in each age division.

2. Ohio State Fair Championship Title – Participants will receive 1 point toward an OSF Championship Title for exhibiting a poster. Participants will receive an additional 5 points for placing 1st through 15th.

3. Exhibitor Versatility Award – Exhibitors must place in the top 5 in their poster age division for points to be counted toward an Exhibitor Versatility Award, provided meeting the other Exhibitor Versatility Award requirements.

Rules
1. Age divisions will be as follows: Junior (ages 8-11), Intermediate (ages 12-14), and Senior (ages 15-18). All ages are as of January 1, 2018.

2. First place winners in each age division may exhibit every year provided the age requirements are met.

3. Each poster must be made by the 4-H or FFA member.

4. Posters must be made using size 22” x 28” regular poster board. Do not use foam core poster board or science fair display boards.

5. Posters MUST be constructed and displayed horizontally.

6. Do not mount poster boards on any type of stiff backing.

7. Shadow boxes, overlays, peek-through or lift-up windows or three-dimensional posters are not permitted. Items hanging off the sides of the poster are not permitted.

8. Stick-on letters and stickers are permitted.

9. It is not a requirement for posters to be laminated; however, lamination may help preserve the poster.

10. Each poster must be clearly labeled in the front lower right hand corner with the (1) exhibitor’s name, (2) county, and (3) age as of January 1, 2018.
11. Posters will be judged on Educational Content (50 pts.), Neatness/Appearance (30 pts.), and Originality (20 pts.). Refer to the Appendix for the Poster Score Sheet.

12. Poster score sheets are used for judging only and will not be returned to the exhibitor.

13. Posters will be displayed in the Buckeye Sports Center during the State Fair Dog Show. All posters that place will be displayed throughout the Dog Show. Depending on the number of other posters received, a certain percentage of posters will be displayed each day.

14. Posters will be released after the awards presentation on Thursday, August 2, or after they have had their turn at being displayed. *Exhibitors who are not present on August 2 to take home their posters should have a representative take their posters to them following the State Fair Dog Show.*

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**2018 Ohio State Fair Junior Fair Dog Skillathon Rules**

**General Information**

A Skillathon is an event held to test an individual’s knowledge of specific subject matter using the experiential learning model of exploring, reflecting and applying that knowledge. Using materials directly or modified from the *Dog Learning Laboratory Kit*, as well as activities developed from information provided in the *4-H Dog Resource Handbook*, Skillathons are created to challenge the exhibitor’s knowledge of all aspects of dogs.

The Dog Skillathon is comprised of four educational and challenging activity stations per age level. Youth move from station to station, attempting to perform the tasks they are given. A facilitator is present at each station to offer directions if needed, without helping the exhibitor perform the station tasks, and without offering answers. Station scores are recorded on the exhibitor’s score sheet by each facilitator, and entered into a computer program that calculates each youth’s placing.

**Date**

Tuesday, July 31 – 9:00 am – 3:00 pm – Buckeye Sports Center

**Awards**

Awards will be presented Tuesday, July 31, approximately 4:30pm, following completion of the Skillathon. Youth in each age division will receive 1st through 10th place ribbons. The winner of each age division will receive an award. The champion of each age group (Junior, Intermediate, Senior) will receive a director’s chair.

**Rules**

1. The Dog Skillathon is open to any 4-H member, age 8 and in the 3rd grade, or 9 years old and older regardless of grade level, as of January 1, 2018. The last year of eligibility, or participation, in 4-H is the year in which the individual turns 19. Therefore, 4-H members turning 19 on or before December 31, 2017 are too old to participate in the Dog Skillathon. The Dog Skillathon is also open to FFA members.

2. Youth need not take dog projects to participate in the Dog Skillathon. Youth may participate regardless of what 4-H or FFA projects are taken.

3. Skillathon lines are divided into three age groups: Junior (8-11 yrs.), Intermediate (12-14 yrs.) and Senior (15-18 yrs.).
4. There are 10 age divisions – 8/9 year-olds through 18 year-olds. A parent/guardian, or responsible adult, MUST sign the youth’s Skillathon score sheet at the Skillathon registration table verifying the youth is in the correct age division BEFORE the youth can participate in the Skillathon. This is to verify age division. If it is determined at the completion of the Skillathon that an exhibitor was entered in the wrong age division, the exhibitor will be removed from the competition and not eligible for placings or awards.

5. Once youth register for the Skillathon, they are expected to remain in the waiting area and go through the line when called. Once youth enter the Skillathon evaluation area, they CANNOT leave. If they leave, they will forfeit any further participation in the 2018 Dog Skillathon.

6. Skillathon stations will be timed. All youth will have a maximum of four (4) minutes to complete each skillathon station.

7. Skillathon participants are not permitted to bring study materials or electronic devices such as cell phones into the Skillathon evaluation area.

8. The four subject matter station categories will be posted by June 15 at www.go.osu.edu/osfskillathons on the Dog Skillathon page.

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**2018 Ohio State Fair Junior Fair Scholarship Program**

Note: The scholarship information, including the application, can be found at https://ohiostatefair.com/scholarships/ and is also posted at www.go.osu.edu/dog. The scholarship application postmark deadline is April 1, 2018.

2018 SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION WILL BE POSTED SOON. IT IS NOT YET POSTED ON THE OHIO STATE FAIR WEBSITE AS OF 02/01/2018.
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