2019 4-H COMPANION ANIMAL DAYS
JULY 26 and JULY 31
Exhibitors/Parents/Guardians: PLEASE READ THIS 4-PAGE LETTER CAREFULLY!

REMINDERS FOR COMPANION ANIMAL DAYS JUDGING July 26 and July 31:

- Youth ARE NOT permitted to bring live animals to judging. Please refer to the judging criteria below.
- All projects EXCEPT All About Dogs and You and Your Dog will be judged on Friday, July 26 at the Youth Center.
- All About Dogs and You and Your Dog projects will be judged on Wednesday, July 31 at the Buckeye Sports Center. Youth enrolled in the Dog Achievement Program ARE NOT a part of Companion Animal Day Judging. They will be recognized on August 1 at the OSF Jr. Fair Dog Show.
- 4-H Professionals must enter all exhibitors selected to represent their county for Companion Animal Days EXCEPT for 4-H PetPALS, using 4-H Online.
- 4-H PetPALS Day has a separate Exhibitor Letter

Dear State Fair Companion Animal Day Exhibitor;

We look forward to your participation in this year’s Ohio State Fair Companion Animal Day Judging on Friday, July 26 at the Youth Center located north of 17th Avenue OR on Wednesday, July 31 (All About Dogs and You & Your Dog Interviews) at the Buckeye Sports Center (enter off 11th Avenue at Gate 7). Please review the information in this letter. A parking map and other Companion Animal Day resources can be found online at: www.go.osu.edu/companionanimals. Click on Companion Animal Resources to find the information.

It is your responsibility to read and understand the information in the Companion Animal Day Rules posted at the above website. Additional information can be found in the Rules that is not discussed in this letter.

EVALUATION and WHAT TO BRING

- You will have a personal interview evaluation with a judge.
- There will be a 7-minute time limit for each interview.
- Refer to the score sheets posted at www.go.osu.edu/companionanimals for judging criteria and what to bring.
- For exhibitors being judged on July 26 please pay close attention to the requirements listed under the C. Display section of the Companion Animal Day score sheet highlighted below. We DO NOT have Internet connectivity!

C. Display – 40%

- Must be from current project year, show some knowledgeable phase of project work, presented to educate. Youth must include visuals showing interaction with pet such as handling, feeding, grooming, cleaning habitat, etc.

Examples of displays: Poster, scrapbook, computer-generated slides, video, etc. You may use your computer or notebook for exhibit presentation. There is not a wireless Internet connection available; therefore, make sure your presentation is downloaded to your computer and does not need Internet connectivity to open.
ARRIVAL – July 26 (Companion Animal Interviews)
- All exhibitors may enter the Ohio State Fairgrounds through the Cardinal Gate.
- Enter the Youth Center at the north end, and when it is your county’s time to register, do so at the registration table area for your project.

AFTER REGISTRATION – July 26
- Once registered you will be directed to the holding areas to set up your displays.
- You will then be directed to the judging areas when it is your turn to be interviewed.

ARRIVAL – July 31 (You & Your Dog and All About Dog Interviews)
- All exhibitors may enter the Ohio State Fairgrounds off 11th Avenue through Gate 7 and follow the signs to the Junior Fair Dog Show. If parking is not available near the Buckeye Building, you must drive around to the North Lot to park. You may drop off the youth (along with an adult) and display before parking.
- Registration will be at the Northwest end of the Buckeye Building.

AFTER REGISTRATION – July 31
- Once registered, you will be directed to the holding area.
- You will then be directed to the judging areas when it is your turn to be interviewed.

AFTER JUDGING – July 26 and July 31
- Once judging is complete, families can enjoy the fair until the awards presentation.
- Awards will be presented at approximately 4:30pm for all classes on July 26 and July 31.
- Those not present for the awards presentation should arrange for an adult to pick up the award should you receive one. Unclaimed awards are available for pick up at Towne Hall (4-H Office in the Youth Center at OSF) during the State Fair and at the Nationwide & Ohio Farm Bureau 4-H Center following the end of State Fair.

RESULTS
- Results will be posted online at www.go.osu.edu19osfresults and www.go.osu.edu/companionanimals on the Results page.

CLASSES AND JUDGING SCHEDULES

CLASSES: JULY 26 – YOUTH CENTER
All ages are 4-H age, as of January 1, 2019.

- J-1 Cat 1 – (ages 8-10)
- J-2 Cat 1 – (ages 11-13)
- J-3 Cat 1 – (ages 14-18)
- J-4 Cat 2 – (ages 8-12)
- J-5 Cat 2 – (ages 13-18)
- J-6 Cat 3 – (ages 8-18)
- J-7 Pet Rabbits – (ages 8-10)
- J-8 Pet Rabbits – (ages 11-13)
- J-9 Pet Rabbits – (ages 14-18)
- J-10 Pocket Pets – (ages 8-12)
- J-11 Pocket Pets – (ages 13-18)
- J-12 Cavies – (ages 8-12)
- J-13 Cavies – (ages 13-18)
- J-14 Reptiles & Amphibians – (ages 8-18)
- J-15 Self-Determined/Hedgehog, Ferret, Chinchilla Idea Starters – (ages 8-18)
JUDGING SCHEDULE: JULY 26 – YOUTH CENTER

- Times listed below are for reporting to Registration.
- The exact judging schedule depends on the number reporting at any one time.

8:40am (Judging begins at 9:00am)
Clark, Delaware, Fairfield, Fayette, Franklin, Licking, Logan, Madison, Marion, Morrow, Muskingum, Pickaway, Union

9:40am (Judging begins at 10:00am)
Allen, Ashland, Champaign, Coshocton, Crawford, Greene, Hardin, Hocking, Holmes, Knox, Miami, Montgomery, Perry, Richland, Ross, Shelby, Vinton, Wyandot

10:40am (Judging begins at 11:00am)
Athens, Clinton, Guernsey, Hancock, Highland, Huron, Jackson, Medina, Morgan, Pike, Seneca, Stark, Summit, Tuscarawas, Warren, Wayne, Wood

12:40pm (Judging begins at 1:00pm)
Auglaize, Belmont, Butler, Carroll, Clermont, Darke, Erie, Hamilton, Harrison, Lorain, Monroe, Noble, Paulding, Portage, Preble, Putnam, Sandusky, Van Wert, Washington

1:40pm (Judging begins at 2:00pm)
Adams, Ashtabula, Brown, Columbiana, Cuyahoga, Defiance, Fulton, Henry, Gallia, Geauga, Jefferson, Lake, Lawrence, Lucas, Mahoning, Meigs, Mercer, Ottawa, Scioto, Trumbull, Williams

CLASSES: July 31 – BUCKEYE SPORTS CENTER – All About Dogs and You and Your Dog
All ages are 4-H age, as of January 1, 2019.

J-16 All About Dogs Interviews – (ages 8-10)
J-17 All About Dogs Interviews – (ages 11-13)
J-18 All About Dogs Interviews – (ages 14-18)
J-19 You and Your Dog Interviews – (ages 8-10)
J-20 You and Your Dog Interviews – (ages 11-13)
J-21 You and Your Dog Interviews – (ages 14-18)

YOU AND YOUR DOG INTERVIEW CLASSES: These classes are for youth WITHOUT their dogs. YOUTH SHOWING DOGS AT THE OHIO STATE FAIR DOG SHOWS ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THESE INTERVIEW CLASSES. Also, youth being interviewed in You and Your Dog classes on Companion Animal Day are NOT eligible to enter any dog in the Ohio State Fair Dog Shows.

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For You & Your Dog Interviews, a bank of questions from which the judge will ask you questions during the Project Knowledge section in the Areas to be Evaluated is posted at www.go.osu.edu/companionanimals on the Resources page. Also, it is important to complete the required sections in your Project & Record Book at the very minimum.

For All About Dogs Interviews, a bank of questions from which the judge will ask you questions during the Project Knowledge section in the Areas to be Evaluated is posted at www.go.osu.edu/companionanimals on the Resources page.

If you have any questions, please email me at miller.78@osu.edu, or call either my office phone at 614.292.7453 or my cell at 740.708.0359 (leave a message).

We look forward to you being part of the Companion Animal Day Judging Events at the Ohio State Fair!

Sincerely,

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