

OUTSTANDING MARKET EXHIBITOR PROGRAM

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1. To be eligible for the Outstanding Market Exhibitor (OME) in market poultry (market chicken and market turkey), market goats, market lambs, market barrows, and market beef, exhibitors must participate in the **in-person** Skillathon and use their own animal in showmanship and the live animal show for each species entered. Youth must exhibit a market animal to compete in their corresponding species OME program.

2. Youth do not need to pre-register for the OME on the Ohio State Fair junior online entry. Their eligibility will be tracked automatically by the superintendents.

3. Market poultry (market chicken and market turkey), ~~market goat~~, ~~market lamb~~, market barrows, and market beef exhibitors must place in their respective class of the live animal, Junior Division show to be eligible for Outstanding Market Exhibitor.

4. Exhibitors who have achieved the above requirements will have their **in-person** Skillathon and showmanship rankings added together with their best live animal ranking in that species to determine their OME score.

5. Youth will be required to exhibit their knowledge across four (4) subject matter stations in the Skillathon. The four station topics will be posted approximately June 15 at www.go.osu.edu/osfskillathons on the respective species' Skillathon page.

6. For the possibility of achieving the maximum potential score on the records section of the Skillathon, youth must bring their current year's completed record book.

7. Refer to the separate **SKILLATHON** and **RECORD BOOK CONTEST** rules for more specific details about each contest, including dates and project book requirements.

8. If tied for Outstanding Market Exhibitor, the following procedure will be used to break ties:

- 1st: Total score of common Skillathon stations
- 2nd: Record book score
- 3rd: Showmanship age division placing
- 4th: Live animal class placing
- 5th: Skillathon Station No. 2 score
- 6th: Skillathon Station No. 3 score

7th: Skillathon Station No. 4 score

8th: Interview by 4-H Representative, FFA

Representative, and Ohio State Fair Representative.

9. Complaints must be submitted in the form of an email by August 31 to the State 4-H Office at 4HAnimalScience@osu.edu.

AWARDS

Outstanding Market Exhibitor age finalists (8/9-18 years old) in market poultry (market chickens and market turkeys), market goats, market lambs, barrows, and market beef will receive awards sponsored by the **Ohio State Fair** (50 awards).

The top three overall Outstanding Market Exhibitors in each species category (market poultry [market chickens and market turkeys] market goats, market lambs, barrows, and market beef) will be selected from the 10 age champions (8/9-18). The top three OME winners and the remaining OME age winners will receive cash scholarships from the **Youth Reserve Program**.