

## Livestock and Animal Skillathon Information 2022

Tuesday, June 21<sup>st</sup> & Wednesday, June 29<sup>th</sup>, 4:30pm-8:30pm

Alpaca, Beef, Dairy, Dog, Equine, Goat, Poultry, Rabbit, Sheep, & Swine Projects

Junior Fair exhibitors are required to attend and participate in a species skillathon for each species they plan to exhibit at the fair to be eligible. NO EXCEPTIONS.

All youth must pre-register for their skillathon time slots by **Wednesday, June 15 at 11:59pm, 2022.**

Please ensure you are registering online under the appropriate species:

- Alpaca: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080b4fadad2da5f85-alpaca1>
- Beef: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080b4fadad2da5f85-beef1>
- Dairy: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080b4fadad2da5f85-dairy1>
- Dog: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080B4FADAD2DA5F85-dogskillathon1>
- Equine: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080b4fadad2da5f85-equine1>
- Goat: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080B4FADAD2DA5F85-goat1>
- Poultry: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080b4fadad2da5f85-poultry1>
- Rabbit: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080b4fadad2da5f85-rabbit1>
- Sheep: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080b4fadad2da5f85-sheep2>
- Swine: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080b4fadad2da5f85-swine1>

**SIGN UP HERE!**



**\*If your youth is showing multiple species**, be sure to give them time in between their species skillathons (at least 30-45 minutes between time slots).

**\*If you have multiple youth in your family that need a time slot**, you will need to do one youth at a time (you cannot select multiple timeslots for your youth). *Example: if Sally and Joe both need to take the Swine Skillathon, you would select the swine sign up link, request 1 time slot for Sally and enter their name and information and submit, then go back to the original link and select 1 time slot for Joe.*

\*Failure to sign up and/or complete a skillathon will result in youth being ineligible for exhibition of that species at the Madison County Fair.

**Skillathon Volunteers Needed:** If you are a parent or volunteer, community member, alumni, etc. and would like to volunteer for skillathon, we would love to have your assistance! We will need volunteers to check books and conduct interviews, monitor computers and stations, assist with check in/check out, etc. Food will be provided for each evening. If you are available for either OR both dates, please consider helping to ensure a smooth event! Contact [foos.61@osu.edu](mailto:foos.61@osu.edu) or 740-852-0975 if you can help! Even if you can only help for part of the evening, we have a spot for you 😊

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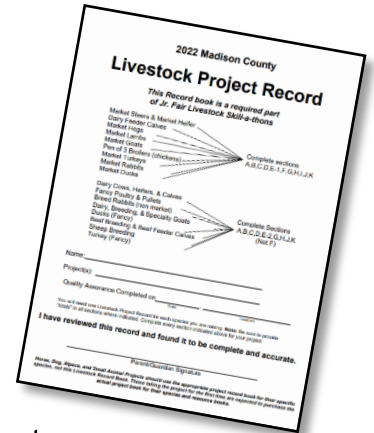
## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION



- **Dress code for all species, excluding dairy, horse, rabbits and poultry:** (See dairy, horse, rabbit, and poultry rules for more specific dress codes.) All exhibitors must wear black or blue cotton or corduroy dress pants, jeans or ankle-length skirt as well as a collared, buttoned shirt or polo shirt that must be tucked in and buttoned. Any length of sleeve and color is acceptable. No shorts! Closed-toe and closed-heel shoes are to be worn. No discrimination will be made for religious beliefs. No shirts identifying family or farm names shall be worn.

- **Required to bring:**

- Project Books and Records ([Click here for printable PDF to use for additional animal records](#)) & feed tag
- FFA Exhibitors: Please bring your SAE report for your record book OR the printable PDF linked above.



- **What to expect?**

- When you arrive at the fairgrounds at your assigned time, you will check in with a Junior Fair Board member in your species area (tentative locations listed below). Please do not arrive more than 10 minutes before your assigned time!
  - **Poultry and Rabbit: Small Animal Barn**
  - **Alpaca, Beef, Dairy, Dog: Della Selsor Building**
  - **Equine, Goat, Sheep, Swine: Coughlin Building**
- You will then complete your interview and have your record book checked, then you will proceed to the next 4-5 stations depending on your species.
  - **Accommodations:** Most species will complete skills stations on a laptop computer. If you require any accommodations (extra time, text to speech, etc.), please contact the Extension Office to fill out a Winning 4-H Plan by June 1 so we can best accommodate the situation
- Once you complete your stations, you will check out with a volunteer or Junior Fair Board member and have your scorecard checked. You may not receive your final score when leaving – final scores will be shared during fair week once awards are announced at your species shows.

- **How do I study?**

- Visit [www.go.osu.edu/madcoskillathon](http://www.go.osu.edu/madcoskillathon) for study guides for each species! This will provide more direction on what to study out of your Resource Handbook or linked to an additional resource
- Practice skillathons are also available at the link above to help get you used to the format for the computerized skillathons
- Stations are based off species knowledge topics such as parts, breeds, disease prevention, quality assurance, showmanship, and more

