



Crawford County Junior Fair Livestock Skillathon
June 25- Livestock Arena/ Camp Millard Building
Approximately 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.



Jr. Fair Livestock Skillathon will be held the morning of June 25, 2022 from approximately 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. **Skillathon is required for ALL livestock projects to be eligible for fair.** Exhibitors will have the option to complete either a competitive or non-competitive option.

- The non-competitive skillathon will consist of project book review, interview, and sample project questions. There will be **NO knowledge tests** of parts, feeds, breeds, and other quiz-based questions.
- The competitive skillathon will also consist of project book review, interview, and sample project questions. This will be followed by specie specific knowledge tests of parts, feeds, breeds, and other quiz-based questions. *Only exhibitors in the competitive skillathon option will be eligible for the Outstanding Livestock Exhibitor awards and skillathon placings.*

Skillathon Option Sign Up:

Exhibitors will not sign up for specific times before skillathon, rather they will notify us of how they would like to complete skillathon. **All livestock exhibitors must sign up online (go.osu.edu/ccskillathon22) or contact the OSUE office (419-562-8731/ cooper.2360@osu.edu) to declare whether they will be competitive or non-competitive at skillathon or if they need to schedule a make-up time; see more information below.** All livestock exhibitors will need to sign up for their skillathon option by 11:59 p.m. June 15, 2022.

If exhibitors do not sign up for competitive skillathon by June 15, they will be automatically assigned to non-competitive skillathon and therefore not be eligible for Outstanding Livestock Exhibitor & Skillathon placings. *There will be no sign up for competitive option after June 15!*

Instructions for day of skillathon:

Skillathon will be run in the “first come first served” system previously used, with a few updates to help it run more smoothly. *We highly suggest exhibitors that choose the competitive option should try to attend early so they ensure they have enough time to complete all of their specie tests without feeling rushed.*

PLEASE NOTE: All Livestock Exhibitors should come to skillathon with their completed project book(s) and dressed in show appropriate attire (excluding dairy whites, long sleeves, etc.)

1. Livestock exhibitors will need to arrive at the **WEST end of the Livestock Arena** for skillathon registration on June 25. Skillathon will be run on the “first come first served” system starting at 8:00 a.m. Although competitive testing may run a bit longer, **NO EXHIBITORS** will be registered after 11:00 a.m.
 - a. Youth who exhibit multiple species should plan to be present approximately 30 minutes per livestock specie (Alpaca/ Llama, Beef, Dairy, Dairy Feeder, Goats, Poultry, Rabbits, Sheep, and Swine).
2. At registration, exhibitors will receive a sticker detailing what they must complete to fulfill their skillathon requirement.
 - a. Once exhibitors complete each station, they should check off each item on their sticker to ensure they complete all skillathon requirements and will return the sticker before leaving.
 - b. *We recommend that the exhibitors put their stickers on their jeans/ pants so they do not show for their sale pictures.*
3. After registration, each exhibitor will proceed to get their picture taken for the Jr. Fair Livestock Sale placards. Breeding and other non-sale exhibitors will skip this step (dairy & alpaca).
4. Once their picture is taken, each exhibitor will then get in line for their interview/book judging. **If individuals show multiple species, they will still complete all their interview/ book reviews with one judge.** The number of total projects will determine how long they are with the judge; we suggest estimating 5-7 minutes per project.
 - a. After non-competitive exhibitors complete their interview, they have completed their skillathon requirement and are done for the day. *They will go to step #6.*
5. Once competitive exhibitors complete their interview, they will continue on to the species skillathon test stations. Exhibitors showing multiple species will choose which specie to complete first and continue until all of their tests are done. *It will be up to the exhibitor to get in line for their specie and can choose to take short breaks in between tests as needed.*
6. After exhibitors have completed all their skillathon requirements and have checked off each item on their stickers, **they must stop back at the registration table before they leave.** At this final station, exhibitors must turn in their sticker so we can assure that they have completed their skillathon & fair requirements before they leave.

Make-up Information for Skillathon:

Exhibitors unable to attend on June 25th must make arrangements for make-up PRIOR to the skillathon event. All exhibitors will need to have their skillathon requirements completed prior to the fair to be eligible for show/ sale.

Make-up skillathon (interview & book review) can be completed:

1. With a member of the livestock committee.
2. With Allison Cooper, JFB Representative, or OSUE Representative.
3. With 4-H or FFA Advisor.

Reminder! Youth completing the makeup option will ONLY complete the interview/ book review and will therefore not be eligible for Outstanding Livestock Exhibitor & Skillathon placings. Once makeup option is complete, please have **the interviewer** notify Allison Cooper of completion so they can be marked off the list thus eligible for fair.

Market livestock exhibitors will also need to make arrangements with their livestock committee chair(s) prior to their show day to get their picture taken for each of their livestock sale placards.

If you have any questions about skillathon you can contact Allison Cooper (cooper.2360@osu.edu / 419-562-8731), Leah Hartschuh (hartschuh1097@gmail.com), JFB President Nolan McKibben (nolanmckibben@icloud.com), or a member of the Jr. Fair Livestock Committee.

