



**Crawford County Junior Fair Livestock Skillathon**  
**June 29- Livestock Arena/ Camp Millard Building**  
**8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.**



Jr. Fair Livestock Skillathon will be held the morning of Saturday, June 29, 2024 from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. (approximately). **Skillathon is required for ALL livestock projects to be eligible for fair.** Exhibitors will 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.*
  - Study Guides *coming soon* [go.osu.edu/skillathonstudy](http://go.osu.edu/skillathonstudy)

There will be **NO PRE-REGISTRATION** for skillathon on June 29, 2024.

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**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 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 appropriate interview attire. There will be no pictures taken for the 2024 Jr. Fair Livestock Sale.

1. Livestock exhibitors will need to arrive at the **EAST end of the Livestock Arena** for skillathon registration on June 29. 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 if completing competitive portion (Alpaca/ Llama, Beef, Dairy, Dairy Feeder, Goats, Poultry, Rabbits, Sheep, and Swine).
2. At registration, exhibitors will receive a sticker if they are completing the competitive option.
3. After registration, each exhibitor will 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 #5.*
4. 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. *Exhibitors can choose to take short breaks in between tests as needed.*
5. After exhibitors have completed all their skillathon requirements, **they must stop back at the registration table before they leave to ensure they have all requirements completed for fair.**

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### **Make-up Information for Skillathon:**

Exhibitors unable to attend on June 29th must decide on make-up PRIOR to the skillathon event.

All livestock exhibitors who wish to have a make-up option need to sign up online (<https://go.osu.edu/ccskillathon>) or contact the OSUE office (419-562-8731/ [cooper.2360@osu.edu](mailto:cooper.2360@osu.edu)) by 11:59 p.m. June 24, 2024.

**All exhibitors will need to have their make-up skillathon requirements completed prior to the start of fair to be eligible for show/ sale.**

Make-up COMPETITIVE skillathon will be on **Tuesday, June 25 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.** Exhibitors will schedule a time using the online sign up or can contact the extension office to schedule.

Make-up NONCOMPETITIVE 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 skillathon after June 29th will ONLY complete the interview/ book review and will therefore not be eligible for Outstanding Livestock Exhibitor & Skillathon placings. Once skillathon interview is completed, please have **the interviewer** notify Allison Cooper of completion so they can be marked off the list thus eligible for fair.

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

*AS ALWAYS, WE WANT OUR YOUTH TO HAVE A POSITIVE EXPERIENCE. IF YOU HAVE A DISABILITY AND HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT ACCESSIBILITY OR WISH TO REQUEST ACCOMMODATIONS, PLEASE CONTACT ALLISON COOPER, COUNTY EDUCATOR/ [COOPER.2360@OSU.EDU](mailto:COOPER.2360@OSU.EDU) 419-562-8731*