2018 Hancock County 4-H Judging Booklet

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Schedule livestock interview or make up judging via
oh.4honline.com
Dear 4-H Family:

Please read this booklet carefully as things do change from year to year.

Judging interviews allow 4-H members to present their completed project & share knowledge gained through project work. Many alumni credit 4-H for helping them build valuable interview skills! Your 4-H Family Handbook contains project guidelines & judging requirements. Information regarding posters, cost analysis, etc. is useful in preparing for judging. Please be sure to look at the general guidelines for the topic area as well as the project specific guidelines. Grade may be lowered if the guidelines are not followed. If you have questions, please call your advisor or OSU Extension at 419-422-3851.

4-H members must have completed project work to exhibit in Jr. Fair.

Friday, July 20 is the deadline for ONLINE Jr. Fair livestock entries. If you have questions or need help completing the online registration, please contact your Advisor or the Jr. Fair Office. This is not the same as the online scheduling for livestock interviews. Both need completed for livestock projects.

All 4-H projects are completed with an evaluation interview.

- Members enrolled in livestock projects must participate in Livestock Interviews on August 6 at the Hancock County Fairgrounds or complete one of the makeup options. Schedule interview time online via oh.4honline.com
- Group projects will be judged as a club.
- We want all 4-Hers to have a positive experience with the evaluation portion of their project. Please contact the Extension office by June 15 to make arrangements for members with special needs so reasonable accommodations can be made.
- Please notify the Extension Office if you are not planning to participate in the scheduled county judging so the appropriate number of judges may be secured. If your child is scheduled for an individual appointment and is unable to attend, call us at 419-422-3851.

If your child is unable to attend his/her scheduled judging, two alternative options are available to complete a project.

**Option 1:** Attend Make-up Judging on July 23 for non-livestock projects 1-5:30 p.m. at the Hancock County Agricultural Service Center. Livestock project make up will be August 15, 12-6 p.m. at the Hancock County Agricultural Service Center. These interviews may be scheduled at oh.4honline.com

**Option 2:** 4-H Advisor may judge the project or make arrangements for a qualified person to judge for them. All advisor project grades must be submitted by August 1st to the Hancock County Extension office.

Sincerely,

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OSU Extension, Maumee Valley EERA
## 2018 4-H Judging Schedule at a Glance

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Hancock County 4-H Grading System

Ribbons will be awarded at the member’s respective project judging days.

Two kinds of ribbons will be awarded:

1) Grade ribbons that recognize the work, effort, and accomplishment of the individual will be given to 4-H advisors during booth set-up.

2) Placing ribbons that will be awarded when comparing all of the individuals in a given project area. Placing will be announced at judging, ribbons distributed during booth set up.

Livestock projects use an ABC system in the fair show ring.

The Grade Ribbons are:

Superior: 4-H member went above and beyond the project requirements. They demonstrated superior knowledge of project and developed an extensive exhibit.

Outstanding: 4-H member met all project requirements. They had basic knowledge of subject matter and a nice exhibit.

Good: 4-H member met only some project requirements. They needed more project knowledge and more extensive exhibit.

Needs Improvement: 4-H member met none of the project requirements.

Placing Ribbons are:
Selected from the Superior and Outstanding graded projects for each project.

Judges can choose to award ribbons for 1st—6th place

*If eligible, the 1st place awardee will be the Ohio State Fair Delegate, with the 2nd place being the alternate.
July 2  Writing Projects

⇒ Writing & Reporting for Teenagers (587)
⇒ The Writer in You (588)

Writing notebooks are due to OSU Extension office by 4:00 pm for pre-judging review
The project interview will be at the Miscellaneous Project Judging on July 10. See the Miscellaneous judging schedule

July 9  Garden Projects

⇒ How Does Your Garden Grow? (671)
⇒ Grow Your Own Vegetables (691)
⇒ Growing with the Seasons (692)

These projects require a home visit. Judging takes place regardless of weather. Each visit should last about 15 minutes. Parents should not participate in the interview. Judging will begin at 8 am & follow schedule. It’s important to be home during the visit. If unable to be present, the garden will still be judged, but not placed for a county award.

• Contact 419-422-3851 if your garden is not located at your home address.
• Please have the garden marked if not present.
• Be prepared to present your completed project book or other garden records to the judge.
• Be prepared to answer questions during the visit.

4-H Members with Flower & Vegetable Garden Projects

V1 = Grow Your Own Vegetables
V2 = Growing with the Seasons
⊕ = How Does Your Garden Grow?

1. Josie Freeland V1
2. Elizabeth Burman V1
3. Mathys Wenger V1
4. Mackenzie Schimmoeller V1
5. Anthony Rieman ⊕
6. Wesley Hartman V1
7. Lauren Greene ⊕
8. Lily Grady V1
9. Lincoln Kirian V1
10. Mason Contreras V1
11. Olivia Yoakam V1
12. Kayla Yoakam V1
13. Emmett Morey V1
14. Madison Gaerke V1

McKenna Morey ⊕ V1
July 10  Miscellaneous Judging

Hancock County Fairgrounds, 1017 E. Sandusky Street, Findlay

- Judging is done by project area, call 419-422-3851 if your project is not listed. Some projects may include a division by last name or age (Jr = 13 or younger as of 1/1/18 or Sr = 14 or older as of 1/1/18; NO firearms of any kind (bows, arrows, gun, etc.) should be brought to judging.)
- Bring completed project book & exhibit. (Refer to the 4-H Family Handbook for project requirements)
- Small Animals/Companion Pets, please bring pet in a carrier.
- Upon arrival, register & obtain scoresheet (Do not register more than 30 minutes prior to scheduled time.)
- Be seated in appropriate area & listen for Jr. Leader to call you.
- County placing announced periodically throughout the day.
- *Project judging time closes 15 minutes after the last scheduled time to be considered for placing.

Judging Tips
⇒ Be well groomed—clean hair & hands, dress appropriately. Don’t chew gum.
⇒ Be prepared to talk about your project. Know what you did, how you did it, what you learned, what you might do differently next time. Remember, the real purpose of judging is sharing and learning.
⇒ Use good posture, smile and be enthusiastic. Be proud of your accomplishments.
⇒ Look directly at the judge during your interview. Give the judge your full attention and don’t allow yourself to be distracted by other people or noises around you.
⇒ Speak clearly and loud enough for the judge to hear you when answering the judge’s questions.
⇒ Be polite—Use your best manners, be pleasant and confident. Thank the judge when the interview is completed.

Hancock 4-H Poster Guidelines
Recommended poster size is 14” high by 22” wide; please check Ohio State Fair Guidelines for individual project requirements. Members with Self-Determined projects may use a tri-fold display board for judging since this is a specific state fair requirement.

Self Determined Projects at 2pm, 2:30pm & 3pm include Idea Starters: Astronomy; Model Railroading; Weather; Clowning: Rocks, Minerals, & Fossils; American Sign Language; Computers; Discovering Genetics; Canoeing; Local Food; Climate Change; Viruses, Bacteria & Fungi, Oh
My!; Ways of Knowing Water; The Work World is Calling; Skateboarding; Pigeons; Native American Artifacts; Shale Gas Extraction; Flower Gardening; and Water Quality.

**July 10 Miscellaneous Project Judging**

9:00  Beekeeping  
Focus on Photography: Level 1, A-K  
Get Started in Art, Jr, A-J  
It's My Home (ages 8-10)  
Llama and Alpaca Project  
Not Just Knots, Jr, A-H  
One on One, A-F  
Pet Goat - Companion  
Rifle Project, Jr, A-B  
Rockets Away (2-liter bottles), A-M  
Science Fun with Kitchen Chemistry, A-B  
Shotgun Project, Jr  
Staying Healthy

9:30  Alcohol and Drug Abuse  
Basic Archery, A-D  
Focus on Photography: Level 1, L-O  
Get Started in Art, Jr, K-Z  
Horseless Horse, A-E  
Makeover My Space (ages 11-13)  
Not Just Knots, Jr, I-Z  
Not Just Knots, Sr  
One on One, G-Z  
Outdoor Adventurer: Beginning Fishing, A-G  
Rifle Project, Jr, C-H  
Rockets Away (2-liter bottles), N-Z  
Science Fun with Kitchen Chemistry, C-F  
The Truth About Tobacco  
You and Your Dog (ages 14-18), A-P

10:00  Basic Archery, E-M  
Club Leadership 1  
Club Leadership 2  
Diversity  
Finding Your Voice  
Focus on Photography: Level 1, P-S  
Get Started in Art, Sr, A-N  
Horseless Horse, F-K  
Keeping Fit  
Magic of Electricity, Level 1
July 10 Miscellaneous Project Judging continued…

10:00 Makeover My Space (ages 14-18), A-G
Outdoor Adventurer: Beginning Fishing, H-M
Rifle Project, Jr, I-K
Rockets Away (Solid fueled rockets), A-K
Science Fun with Kitchen Chemistry, G-M
Wired for Power, Level 3
You and Your Dog (ages 14-18), Q-Z
Your Thoughts Matter

10:30 Am I Ready to Work?
Arcs and Sparks
Basic Archery, N-Z
Cavy Project and Record Book
First Aid in Action
Focus on Photography: Level 1, T-Z
Get Started in Art, Sr, O-Z
Horseless Horse, L-Z
Makeover My Space (ages 14-18), H-Z
My Hands to Larger Service
Outdoor Adventurer: Beginning Fishing, N-Z
Rifle Project, Jr, L-Se
Rockets Away (Solid fueled rockets), L-Z
Science Fun with Kitchen Chemistry, N-P
Teens on Board

11:00 4-H PetPALS Project
All About Dogs (ages 11-13)
All About Dogs (ages 14-18)
Archery Project, Jr, A-L
Camp Counseling, A-H
Cat 1: Purr-fect Pals (ages 8-10)
Controlling the Image: Level 2
Fishing for the Intermediate
Insect Adventures 1
Leadership Master
Rifle Project, Jr, Sh-T
Robotic 1 with LEGO EV3, A-L
Science Fun with Kitchen Chemistry, Q-S
Scrapbooking, Jr
The Laundry Project, A-K
Tractor 1, 2, 3, & 4 (ages 8-11)
Your First Home Away from Home (ages 16-18)
You're the Athlete, Jr

Jr = 13 & younger
Sr = 14 & older
Age as of 1/1/18
July 10 Miscellaneous Project Judging continued…

11:30  All About Dogs (ages 8-10)
       All Systems Go!: Level 2
       Archery Project, Jr, M-Z
       Camp Counseling, I-Z
       Cat 1: Purr-fect Pals (ages 11-13)
       Hunting & Wildlife
       Insect Adventures 2
       Living History
       Mastering Photography: Level 3
       Muzzleloading Project, Jr
       Ohio Birds
       On the Cutting Edge: Level 3
       Photography Master
       Rifle Project, Jr, U-Z
       Robotic 1 with LEGO EV3, M-Z
       Robotics 2: EV3N More
       Robotics Master
       Science Fun with Kitchen Chemistry, T-Z
       Scrapbooking, Sr
       The Laundry Project, L-Z
       Tractor 1, 2, 3, & 4 (ages 12-13)
       Tractor 1, 2, 3, & 4 (ages 14-18)
       You're the Athlete, Sr

12:00  LUNCH BREAK

1:00   Archery Project, Sr
       ATV Safety
       Babysitting
       Bicycling for Fun: Level 1
       Cat 1: Purr-fect Pals (ages 14-18)
       Cat 2: Climbing Up
       County Government 2
       Electric Radio-Controlled Vehicles
       Entering Electronics, Level 4
       Explore the Outdoors, A-L
       Family History Treasure Hunt, year 1, A-H
       From Airedales to Zebras: Level 1
       Investigating Electricity: Level 2
       Leadership Road Trip
       Measuring Up: Level 1, A-D
       Miniature Garden Idea Starter, A-J
       Muzzleloading Project, Sr
       Pantry Panic
July 10 Miscellaneous Project Judging continued…

1:00
Pistol Project, Sr
cont. Play the Role
Safe Use of Guns, A-K
Scrapbooking, 2nd yr +, Jr, A-H
Set the Stage
Wheels in Motion: Level 2
Young Engineers in Solar Energy

1:30
Cat 3: Leaping Forward
County Government 1
Crank It Up: Level 1
Explore the Outdoors, M-Z
Exploring Ponds
Family History Treasure Hunt, year 1, I-Z
Insect Adventures 3
Measuring Up: Level 1, E-M
Miniature Garden Idea Starter, K-Z
Pocket Pets Project
Rifle Project, Sr
Safe Use of Guns, L-Z
Science Fun with Electricity
Scrapbooking, 2nd yr +, Jr, I-Z
Tune It Up: Level 3
Warm It Up: Level 2
You and Your Dog (ages 8-10), A-R

2:00
Canning and Freezing
Measuring Up: Level 1, N-T
Paper Craft Idea Starter
Pet Rabbit Project (ages 14-18)
Pistol Project, Jr, A-K
Science Fun with Dairy Food, A-H
Scrapbooking, 2nd yr +, Sr, A-E
Self Determined Natural Resources
Self Determined, Jr, A-C
Self Determined, Sr, A-P
Shotgun Project, Sr
Trapping Muskrats in Ohio
Why Trees Matter
You and Your Dog (ages 8-10), S-Z

2:30
Making the Cut: Level 2
Measuring Up: Level 1, U-Z
Pet Rabbit Project (ages 11-13)
July 10 Miscellaneous Project Judging continued…

2:30  Pet Rabbit Project (ages 8-10)  
      cont.  Pistol Project, Jr, L-Z  
          Science Fun with Dairy Food, I-Z  
          Scrapbooking, 2nd yr +, Sr, F-Z  
          Self Determined, Jr, D-G  
          Self Determined, Sr, Q-Z  
          The Writer in You  
          You and Your Dog (ages 11-13), A-M  

3:00  Becoming Money Wise  
      Discovering 4-H  
      Finishing Up: Level 4  
      My Favorite Things, Jr  
      Nailing It Together: Level 3  
      Reptiles and Amphibians Idea Starter  
      Science Fun with Physics, A-L  
      Self Determined, Jr, H-Z  
      Teens on the Road to Financial Success  
      Woodworking Master  
      Writing and Reporting for Teenagers  
      You and Your Dog (ages 11-13), N-R  

3:30  Chinchillas, Ferrets, & Hedgehogs Idea Starter  
      My Favorite Things, Sr  
      Science Fun with Flight  
      Science Fun with Physics, M-Z  
      You and Your Dog (ages 11-13), S-Z  

July 12  Food and Nutrition Projects,  
        Cake Decorating Judging  

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Food & Nutrition projects—refer to page 23 of the 4-H Family Handbook.  
Be sure to review the general and project specific guidelines and  
have all required components (menu, cost analysis, single serving  
& place setting).  

Cake Decorating projects— Bring completed project book, and basic  
decorating materials needed to demonstrate techniques mastered. Bring  
a decorated cake based upon your skill level.  

• Beginner: single level cake decorated with beginner level  
techniques from various categories (border, leaves, flowers, lettering,  
etc.)
• **Intermediate**: shaped, or level single or two-layer cake decorated with intermediate level techniques from various categories.

• **Advanced**: level stacked or tiered cake decorated with advanced level techniques from various categories.

Upon arrival, register & obtain a scoresheet and a card to note what part of the book you worked from: Beginner, Intermediate, or Advanced. Be seated and wait for a volunteer to call you when the judge is ready.

Placings will be awarded to Junior & Senior divisions in each respective skill level:

- Junior ages 8 - 13, Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced
- Senior ages 14 - 18, Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced

**Food & Nutrition and Cake Decorating - July 12 . . . .**

*Project judging time closes 15 minutes after the last scheduled time to be considered for placing.

9:00  Cake Decorating, Jr, Beginner, A-E  
      Let's Bake Quick Breads, Jr, A-B  
      Let's Start Cooking, Jr, A-G

9:30  Cake Decorating, Jr, Beginner, F-I  
      Let's Bake Quick Breads, Jr, C-K  
      Let's Start Cooking, Jr, H-L

10:00 Cake Decorating, Jr, Beginner, J-L  
      Let's Bake Quick Breads, Jr, L-S  
      Let's Start Cooking, Jr, M-P

10:30 Cake Decorating, Jr, Beginner, M-R  
      Let's Bake Quick Breads, Jr, T-Z  
      Let's Bake Quick Breads, Sr  
      Let's Start Cooking, Jr, Q-Z

11:00 Cake Decorating, Jr, Beginner, S  
      Let's Start Cooking, Sr  
      Sports Nutrition: Ready, Set, Go  
      Yeast Breads on the Rise, A-H

11:30 Cake Decorating, Jr, Beginner, T-Z  
      Global Gourmet  
      Yeast Breads on the Rise, I-Z

12:00 LUNCH BREAK
July 12 Food & Nutrition and Cake Decorating continued...

1:00  Cake Decorating, Jr, Intermediate, A-K  
      Grill Master, Jr, A-J  
      Star Spangled Foods  
      You're the Chef  

1:30  Beyond the Grill  
      Cake Decorating, Jr, Intermediate, L-Z  
      Dashboard Dining  
      Grill Master, Jr, K-Z  
      Party Planner  
      Pathways to Culinary Success  

2:00  Cake Decorating, Jr, Advanced  
      Fast Break for Breakfast  
      Racing the Clock to Awesome Meals  
      Snack Attack!, Jr, A-G  
      Snack Attack!, Sr  

2:30  Cake Decorating, Sr, Beginner  
      Everyday Food and Fitness, Jr, A-N  
      Snack Attack!, Jr, H-N  

3:00  Cake Decorating, Sr, Advanced  
      Cake Decorating, Sr, Intermediate  
      Everyday Food and Fitness, Jr, O-Z  
      Everyday Food and Fitness, Sr  
      Snack Attack!, Jr, O-Z  

July 17  Clothing Project Judging

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- Bring project items & accessories selected as part of ‘total look’; project book/records, cost analysis, & pattern or poster as required by project. Refer to page 17 of the Family Handbook.
- Upon arrival, register, change into outfit or set up quilt display. Sit in the designated area for your project until called for your interview.
- Be prepared to discuss your project work & the “7 Clues of the Total Look”. Complete a narrative sheet for the review.
- Members must participate in the Style Review in order to place in their class.

*Project judging time closes 15 minutes after the last scheduled time to be considered for placing.
July 17 Clothing Project Judging

10:00  Quilting the Best Better
Sew Fun, Jr, A-F

10:30  Sew Fun, Jr, G-Z
You Can Quilt!

11:00  Self Determined Quilting
Sew Fun, Sr
Sewing (Non-Clothing) Master

11:30  Accessories for Teens
em-bel-lish
Shopping Savvy

12:00  LUNCH BREAK

1:00  Creative Costumes
Designed by Me, A-D
Loungewear

1:30  Active Sportswear
Designed by Me, E-R
Tops for Tweens

2:00  Clothing for Your Career
Designed by Me, S-Z
Look Great for Less

2:30  Clothing for High School & College
Clothing for Middle School
Dress-Up Outfit
Outerwear for Anywhere
Sew for Others
Sundresses and Jumpers

Members are to return to the Extension Office at 6:30p.m. that evening and change into their total look for the 4-H Style Review. (If a member has more than one clothing project, he or she will decide which one they will model). There will be a brief modeling practice and line-up for the participants. The Style Review will begin at 7 p.m. Placing for each project will be announced during the review. The members will also be scored on their total look and modeling poise for additional awards. At the end of the evening, nominees for State Fair will be announced. Family and friends are encouraged to attend the Style Review.

Jr = 13 & younger
Sr = 14 & older
Age as of 1/1/18

July 19  State Fair Orientation
Hancock County Agricultural Service Center, 7868 CR 140, Findlay

6 pm  Food & Clothing Projects
7 pm  All Other Projects
July 20  Jr Fair Livestock Entries Due

Online entry system will be used. A letter will be sent to members explaining the process. Call Jr Fair Office at 419-423-1373.

July 23  Make-Up Project Judging
(non-livestock project)

Hancock County Agricultural Service Center, 7868 CR 140, Findlay

Judging will take place from 1 - 5:30 p.m., same guidelines for judging apply.

Schedule your appointment at oh.4honline.com

- Members should schedule one appointment per project.

Aug 6  Livestock Interviews

Hancock County Fairgrounds, 1017 E. Sandusky Street, Findlay
Register at the Show Arena

Interviews will take place from 12—5 p.m. Schedule one appointment per specie.

Schedule your appointment via oh.4honline.com

Livestock evaluation includes:

1. Project Interview and Book Review
2. Skillathon Stations

All youth learn in different ways. Livestock project evaluation is designed for the youth to have a positive learning experience. Please remember, reasonable accommodations will be made for members with special needs if parent or advisor contacts the Extension Office (419-422-3851) by July 20.

Project Interview and Book Review: The final grade for the 4-H and FFA project is determined by project interviews. 4-H members should bring their completed project book and current records for evaluation. Not having your book, not having current year records, or failure to complete the skillathon is an automatic letter grade drop. A numeric score sheet will be used to evaluate 4-H members. Grade A projects will earn 85-100 points, B’s 70-84, and C’s 69 points or less. An example of the score sheet and a study guide for each species will be posted to Hancock.osu.edu by June 25.
A 3-ring binder is excellent to show growth through the years. Completed project activities should be dated with the current year in the project book. Members must have a feed tag or feed printout in their records. A project summary about this year’s experience is also required. For poultry and rabbit projects please discuss preparations, selecting your project, and what you hope to learn more about this year in your project summary.

Dress code is the same as your show dress: ie. A member with a hog project would wear jeans, boots and a button up shirt. If you show multiple species, wardrobe changes are not required. This is worth 10 points!

Visit go.osu.edu/anrec for blank animal record forms.

New project records and activities should be completed each year! Everything should be dated month/day/year.

You can do this by:
1. Using a new project book and completing the record pages
2. Printing & completing blank livestock record pages for current year
3. Create & include a computer printout with the information requested in the project book

Horse members should have a project book as well as a separate record book. Both books should be brought to the evaluation. The exception is Beginning Horse Management (records section is included in the book). Not having both books is a letter grade drop.

Members should be prepared to talk to the interviewer about the project & resource book, project animals, and information from quality assurance training. Member’s project grade will be determined from the interview and project book review.

Skillathon Guidelines: All members must complete a skillathon for his or her project specie. There will be special top 10% awards for members in each specie and by age category: Beginner (8-10); Intermediate (11-13); Senior (14-19). These awards will be presented at the beginning of the specie show during the fair. In order to be eligible for the 10% award, you must complete the skillathon on August 6. (Members choosing to go to make up judging must complete the skillathon but will not be eligible for top 10% recognition).

There will be three skillathon stations for each specie. A study guide per species will be posted by June 25 on the hancock.osu.edu website.

1. Identifying confirmation issues and animal selection.
2. Feed Identification – types of grain and supplements, is it safe, is it appropriate for the animal.
3. Writing a proper thank you note.