



2023 OUTSTANDING EXHIBITOR AWARDS

The Holmes County Jr. Fair Outstanding Exhibitor Awards program was developed to recognize youth who go above and beyond in their species both in and out of the show ring. Exhibitors who wish to participate must complete the skillathon/project record book judging (no make-up judging), and showmanship.

Exhibitors with intent to participate will do so by entering on FairEntry. This will be a separate entry from your actual project to exhibit at the county fair. Exhibitors will need to fill out an entry for each species they wish to participate with.

Some acronyms you will need to become familiar with include: OME (Outstanding Market Exhibitor) and OBE (Outstanding Breeding Exhibitor). Please take some time to review the information in this document to see what is included in the scoring process to determine if you would like to participate. Feel free to contact the Extension office if you need any clarification.

ANTICIPATED QUESTIONS

How do I sign up for Outstanding Exhibitor? To be considered eligible for this award, you must make an entry via Fairy Entry by July 1st

How many people will be awarded? Each OME and OBE will have 1 winner in each age division.

I have two breeding animals. Which score do you count? We take the higher of the two scores to count toward your total.

Are there specific species doing this program? Beef, swine, dairy feeder, goat, rabbit, and poultry are participating in the OME. Beef and swine are participating in OBE.

How are points awarded? 470 total points can be earned by each exhibitor. See back of the page for a full breakdown.

How do you break ties? They will be determined first by skillathon score, then the showmanship score, and then by the live placing score.

My child has a learning disability, I am concerned that their skillathon score will affect their score negatively. We will have readers available if they are requested before July 7th. For potential other accommodations please contact the Extension office.

When will the awards be presented? For 2023, all awards will be presented on Saturday, August 12 during the 4-H Awards Ceremony in the Large Arena.



HOLMES COUNTY JUNIOR FAIR OUTSTANDING EXHIBITOR AWARDS GUIDELINES

AGE DIVISIONS

Winners will be selected for each species in each age division.

- Senior – ages 15-18 (as of January 1)
- Intermediate – ages 12-14 (as of January 1)
- Junior – ages 8-11 (as of January 1)

SCORING RUBRIC

Skillathon/Project Book Judging: 200 points

Exhibitors receive a score out of 200 (your Skillathon score DOUBLED) for both the Skillathon experiential learning model of doing, reflecting, and applying to test one's knowledge and record book and interview score. To be eligible for an OME/OBE, exhibitors must attend a regularly scheduled Skillathon, not a make-up date. Example Skillathon rubrics and study guides can be found online at <https://holmes.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/livestock-project-information>

Showmanship Class Placing: 150 points

Supreme - 25
Grand - 125
Reserve - 100
3 rd - 90
4 th - 80
5 th - 70
All others - 50

Breed / Market Class Placing: 120 points

SWINE ONLY
Grand - 20
Reserve - 15
Division Champion - 20
Division Reserve - 10
Class 1 st - 80
Class 2 nd - 75
Class 3 rd - 70
Class 4 th - 65
Class 5 th - 60
All others - 50

ALL OTHER SPECIES
Grand - 20
Reserve - 15
3-10 Overall - 5
Class 1 st - 90
Class 2 nd - 85
Class 3 rd - 80
Class 4 th - 75
Class 5 th - 70
All others - 50

AWARDS

Both OME and OBE winners will be recognized on Saturday, August 12 at the 4-H Awards Ceremony in the Large Arena. OME winners will also be recognized at the auction block during the livestock sale.