The 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! The score will include points for an educational poster, Outstanding Exhibitor Exam, Project Record Book, Showmanship Placing, and Breed or Market Class Placing. Please take some time to review the information below and feel free to reach out to Doug Foxx at foxx.2@osu.edu if you need any clarification.

**Acronyms you need to know**

- **OME**- Outstanding Market Exhibitor
- **OBE**- Outstanding Breeding Exhibitor
- **OHE**- Outstanding Horse Exhibitor
- **ODE**- Outstanding Dairy Exhibitor
- **ODE**- Outstanding Dog Exhibitor
- **OEE**- Outstanding Exhibitor Exam
Outstanding Exhibitor Awards Criteria – Dog Projects

Age divisions:
Senior – ages 15-18 (as of January 1)
Intermediate – ages 12-14 (as of January 1)
Junior – ages 8-11 (as of January 1)
*Age divisions are the same across all species

- Educational Poster (15%) 15 POINTS
  - Turn in July 7th from 5-9 pm at the Wayne County Fair Event Center

- Outstanding Exhibitor Exam (OEE) (35%) 35 POINTS
  Member receives 35% of their total OEE score (out of 100 points). All exam content will come from your species resource book. Sign up online for a time-slot to take the Exam. Exams will be taken on July 7th at the Wayne County Fair Event Center. Scores will be converted to a percentage to 2 decimals. (i.e. OEE score of 95 = 33.25 points. 95 * 35% = 33.25)

- Project Record Book (10%) 10 POINTS
  Member receives a score out of 10 for an updated project record book. Book will be judged for content. Turn in books July 7th from 5-9 pm at the Wayne County Fair Event Center. If you don’t submit a book you cannot compete in the Outstanding Exhibitor Program.

- Showmanship (15%) 15 POINTS
  - 1st place = 15  6th place = 6  All others = 1 point
  - 2nd place = 13  7th place = 5
  - 3rd place = 11  8th place = 4
  - 4th place = 9  9th place = 3
  - 5th place = 7  10th place = 2

- Obedience (15%) 15 POINTS
  - 1st place = 15  6th place = 6  All others = 1 point
  - 2nd place = 13  7th place = 5
  - 3rd place = 11  8th place = 4
  - 4th place = 9  9th place = 3
  - 5th place = 7  10th place = 2

- Rally (10%) 10 POINTS
  - 1st place = 15  6th place = 6  All others = 1 point
  - 2nd place = 13  7th place = 5
  - 3rd place = 11  8th place = 4
  - 4th place = 9  9th place = 3
  - 5th place = 7  10th place = 2

- Bonus Points
  Members may earn bonus points by participating in various county and state level activities. 1 bonus point will be awarded for every activity participated in (up to a maximum of 2 bonus points) Participation form must be filled out for each activity and turned into the Extension office or submitted online at https://go.osu.edu/wc22oebonuspoints by September 1 at 4:30pm.
  - Attend a species-specific clinic, fun show, or other dog project related event in or outside of the county
  - Exhibit a species-specific animal at the Ohio State Fair
  - Participate in Ohio State Fair Skillathon for the species you are competing in for Outstanding Exhibitor (must be on list that Ohio State Fair submits to counties)
Notes:

Poultry and Rabbit are only offering Outstanding Market Exhibitor not Breeding Exhibitor

Pack Goat classes do not count towards Outstanding Breeding Exhibitor

Frequently Asked Questions

How do I sign up for Outstanding Exhibitor?

To be considered eligible for this award, you must take the exam on July 7th and make an entry via Fairy Entry by August 1st.

What if I cannot attend the July 7th test date?

Please contact the Extension Office on or before July 7th to schedule a make-up time for later in July.

What do I study for the exam?

All content is pulled directly from your species resource books.

My child has a learning disability and I am concerned that an exam 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.

Will the Outstanding Exhibitor Exam count for Skillathon?

Yes, if you complete the Outstanding Exhibitor Exam it will count as completion for your Skillathon requirement!

Will I get a banner for a high Outstanding Exhibitor Exam score?

No, if you want to receive a banner to be displayed at the fair you must still complete the Wayne County Skillathon or Livestock Project Interview Judging and receive an “Outstanding” score.

I have two breeding animals. Which score do you count?

We take the higher of the two scores to count toward your total. (Dairy has their own ODE specific class)

How do you break ties?

1st the test score, 2nd the book score, and 3rd the showmanship score

When will the awards be presented?

For 2022, all OME, OBE, ODE, and OHE awards will be presented at the fall 4-H Recognition Banquet on November 10th.

How many people will be awarded?

A total of 11 youth per species will be awarded. The top 2 overall can be from any age division, and then the top 3 from each age division (junior, intermediate, senior) will receive awards.