

Frequently Asked Questions

What if I cannot attend the test or the skillathon date?

- a. Test Dates: July 9th or August 6th
- b. Only if you cannot make those dates you can make an appointment at the Extension Office. Test MUST be done by August 6th
- c. OE Skillathon Dates: July 10th or August 7th
- d. Only if you cannot make those dates you can make an appointment at the Extension Office. Skillathon MUST be done by August 7th

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 the exam is taken. For potential other accommodations please contact the Extension office.

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 2024, all OME, OBE, ODE, and OHE awards will be presented at the fall 4-H Recognition Banquet on November 14th.

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.