

Jr. Fair Skillathon and Outstanding Exhibitor Award Winners for 2019

The Goat, Rabbit, Poultry, Dog, Swine, Beef, Sheep, and Dairy Skillathons were held on August 10. These Skillathons were an opportunity for Jr. Fair youth to display their knowledge of their 4-H or FFA animal projects. The youth who entered the skillathons answered questions on their specie's feeding, care, handling, medication, genetics and breeding, parts of the animal, meat cuts, use of byproducts, and/or breed identification. Senior Divisions are ages 14-18 and Junior Divisions are ages 8-13, except for swine.

The Goat Skillathon winners for 2019 in the Senior Division were:

1st – Arika Zeiter, 2nd – Lydia Heilman, 3rd – Daniel Hite,
4th – Hannah Fahrer 5th – Jessica French.

The Junior Division winners were:

1st – Leah Mishka, 2nd – Wyatt Borer, 3rd – Hannah Tedrow,
4th – Jael Michelson, 5th – Callie Mock.

The Rabbit Skillathon winners for 2019 in the Senior Division were:

1st – Cassidy Vanderveer, 2nd – Austin Rearick, 3rd – Ava Hoylman,
4th – Catherine Snyder, 5th – Elizabeth Baker.

The Junior Division winners were:

1st – Renee Hoylman, 2nd – Sophie Sterken, 3rd – Elise Hoylman,
4th – Katelyn Liechty, 5th – Alex Paulson.

The Poultry Skillathon winners for 2019 in the Senior Division were:

1st – Lydia Heilman, 2nd – Eli Warncke, 3rd – Jessica French,
4th – Taylor Caudill.

The Junior Division winners were:

1st – Leah Mishka, 2nd – Brennan Bronson, 3rd – Ella Mishka,
4th – MaKayla Fletcher, and 5th – Logan Henricks.

The Dog Skillathon winners for 2019 in the Senior Division were:

1st – Elizabeth Mignin, 2nd – Leise Hernandez, 3rd – Lydia Heilman,
4th – Kaden Bergstedt.

The Junior Division winners were:

1st – Leah Mishka, 2nd – Ella Mishka, 3rd – Emma Thompson,
4th – Alyssa Marvin, 5th – Alona Mahnke.

RD Thompson Trucking sponsored the Dog Skillathon cash awards for the 1st & 2rd placements in each age division.

The Dairy Skillathon winners for 2019 in the Senior Division were:

1st – Allianna Hite, 2nd – Kennedy Keller.

The Sheep Skillathon winners for 2019 in the Senior Division were:

1st – Allison Herr, 2nd – Emma Vaculik, 3rd – Kennedy Keller,
4th – Chloe Creque.

The Junior Division winners were:

1st – Kassidy Zientek, 2nd – Karter Zachrich, 3rd – Hannah Kovar,
4th – Nevaeh Powers, and 5th – Eva Suchora.

Beck Family Show Lambs of Wauseon and Burkholder Club Lambs of Fayette sponsored the Sheep Skillathon cash awards for the 1st-3rd placements in each age division.

Winners of the 2019 Beef Skillathon for the Senior Division were:

1st – Kathryn Goering, 2nd – Dakota Armstrong, 3rd – Allison Herr,
4th – Wyatt Armstrong, and 5th – Amberlyn Whitson.

The Junior Division winners were:

1st – Hannah Kovar, 2nd – Meegan Gleckler, 3rd – Caylee Sager,
4th – Nevaeh Powers, and 5th – Titus Rufenacht.

Fulton County Beef Producers, Pettisville Grain Co., and Alternative Management Resources, Inc., of Swanton sponsored the Beef Skillathon cash awards for the 1st-3rd placements in each age division.

The 2019 Swine Skillathon is divided into three age groups:

Winners of the Senior Division, ages 15-18 were:

1st – Hayley Orzechowski, 2nd – Ashton Dominique, 3rd – Taylor Smith,
4th – Alexandra Gillen, and 5th – Taylor Caudill.

Winners in the Intermediate Division, ages 12-14 were:

1st – Maddie Thiel, 2nd – Drew Gillen, 3rd – Shane Suchora,
4th – Madisyn Ledyard, and 5th – Nevaeh Powers.

Junior Division winners, ages 8-11 were:

1st – Emma Krukowski, 2nd – Makena Thiel, 3rd – Cooper Stambaugh,
4th – Colton Nofziger, and 5th – Adison Kinsman.

Sponsors of the Swine Skillathon who provided 1st- 3rd place cash awards to the winners in each age division were: Just Mulch of Archbold; J & B Feed of Wauseon; and Friends of Everett & Virginia Ricker who were past sponsors of the Swine Skillathon.

The Outstanding Market Exhibitor Award is given to one exhibitor from each of the following species: swine, beef, and sheep. The \$1,000 award is presented at the Fulton County Fair. It's based on the Junior Fair Exhibitor's skillathon score, showmanship placing, and market class placing.

The 2019 Outstanding Market Exhibitor for Swine was Maddie Thiel, daughter of Rich & Andrea Thiel of Archbold. Sponsors of this award were: Fayette Feed Mill of Fayette, Gerald Grain Center of Archbold and Moorman ShowTec Feeds of Archbold.

The 2019 Outstanding Market Exhibitor for Beef award was Hannah Kovar, daughter of Terry and Jean of Fayette. This award was sponsored by Pettisville Grain Company, Fulton County Beef Producers and PNC Bank of Wauseon.

The 2019 Outstanding Market Exhibitor for Sheep was Karter Zachrich, son of Larry and Alice of Wauseon. PNC Bank of Wauseon sponsored the cash award and the Craig Goldsmith Family formerly of Wauseon sponsored a trophy in memory of Hollis Richer.