

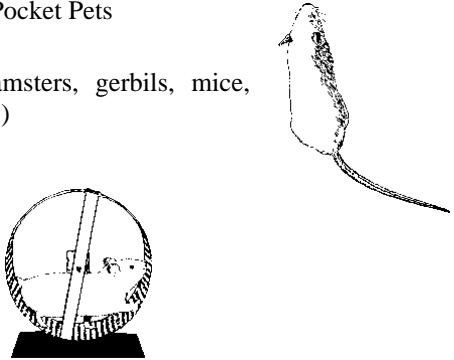
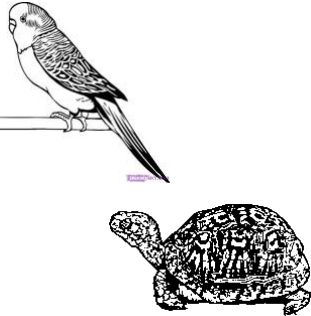


## PET CARE FAIR REQUIREMENTS 2023

<p><u>PROJECT</u></p> <p><u>STATE FAIR COMPETITION:</u> Companion Animal Day at the Ohio State Fair will tentatively be held on Friday, July 28. Members who enroll in Cavies (Guinea Pigs), Cats, Pocket Pets, or Self-Determined Pets (Reptiles &amp; Amphibians, Hedgehogs, Ferrets, Chinchillas, or other small animals) are eligible to compete.</p> <p>Companion animals must be in the member's care by May 1 to be eligible for state fair.</p> <p>No live animals go to state fair on Companion Animal Day.</p> <p>Information will be included in all qualifying project books.</p> <p>Members interested in competing at the state fair must participate in county State Fair Selections on Friday, July 21 at 9:00 a.m. in the Extension Office. Only 1 member in each age division from each project may be selected for state fair.</p>	<p><u>PROJECT GUIDELINES</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For members enrolling in companion animal projects: Cavy (Guinea Pig), Cats and Pocket Pets).</li> <li>• Members with pets or small animals other than those offered as projects sign up for Self-Determined project #365. Members must then design their own learning experience. Members with chinchillas, ferrets, hedgehogs, or reptiles and amphibians may download an Idea Starter at <a href="http://www.ohio4h.org/selfdetermined">www.ohio4h.org/selfdetermined</a>.</li> <li>• All pet care exhibitors must bring a small (82" x 11") poster talking about their project to the south end of the <i>Family &amp; Consumer Sciences (FCS) Building</i> on Sunday, August 13 between 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.</li> <li>• Posters will be displayed in the FCS Building during the fair.</li> <li>• Posters must be on regular poster board only (cut to 82" x 11"), no foam boards or tri-folds may be used.</li> <li>• Exhibitors without a poster turned in on Sunday by 3:00 p.m. will have their grade lowered one letter grade.</li> <li>• All grades and placings in pet care are based on exhibitor knowledge, project book, poster and condition of animal. Placings are not based on the animal's conformation, breed type, etc.</li> <li>• Members must take their completed project book to judging. Failure to bring the completed book will result in a grade reduction of one letter grade.</li> <li>• <b>NOTE:</b> Cats are not brought to the fairgrounds for judging. Grades &amp; placings will be based on the interview and poster.</li> </ul>	<p><u>FAIR EXHIBIT</u></p> <p>Judging on Wednesday, August 16th beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the south end of the FCS Building.</p> <p>Specific interview times will be posted for each exhibitor.</p> <p>Pet Care projects are not kept at the fairgrounds. All pets and small animals (except cats) are brought to the fairgrounds for interview judging only.</p> <p><b>DO NOT BRING YOUR ANIMALS TO THE FAIRGROUNDS EARLY AND ALLOW THEM TO SUFFER IN THE HEAT!</b></p> <p>For more information, go to <a href="http://www.ohio4h.org/companionanimals">www.ohio4h.org/companionanimals</a></p>
<p>#215 - Cavy Project and Record</p> <p><i>The Cavy Project and Record Book is needed annually by all guinea pig exhibitors (\$8.00).</i></p> <p><i>All cavy exhibitors also need the Cavy Resource Handbook: A 4-H Guide to Guinea Pigs (\$16.50). (One Resource Handbook per family is adequate).</i></p>	<p>See Companion Animals on page 12 of the 2023 Family Guide to 4-H</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Care for at least one cavy (guinea pig) for a minimum of three months.</li> <li>• Prepare an 82" x 11" poster about your project to turn in at the</li> <li>• FCS Building on Sunday, August 13 between 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.</li> <li>• Complete your project book and bring to judging on Wednesday, August</li> <li>• 16 in the south end of the FCS Building.</li> <li>• Bring one cavy (guinea pig) in a ventilated container at your</li> <li>• scheduled interview time.</li> </ul>	<p>Class 130 – Pet Care</p> <p>1. Cavy (Guinea Pig)</p> 

<p><b><u>PROJECT</u></b>            #216 - Purr-fect Pals, Level 1            #217 - Climbing Up! Level 2            #218 - Leaping Forward, Level 3</p> <p>Cat projects must be taken in order.</p> <p>Purr-fect Pals may only be taken two times.</p> <p><i>Must purchase a cat project book each year you enroll in the specific project (\$8.00).</i></p>	<p><b><u>EXHIBIT RULES</u></b></p> <p>See Companion Animals on pages 12-13 of the 2023 Family Guide to 4-H</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Care for at least one cat for a minimum of three months.</li> <li>Prepare an 82" x 11" poster about your project to turn in at the FCS Building on Sunday, August 13 between 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.</li> <li>Complete your project book and bring to judging on Wednesday, August 16 in the south end of the FCS Building.</li> <li><b>Cats are not brought to the fair.</b></li> <li>Members may enroll in Purr-fect Pals for a maximum of two years, before moving up to Climbing Up.</li> </ul> 	<p><b><u>FAIR EXHIBIT</u></b></p> <p>2. Purr-fect Pals, Level 1            3. Climbing Up, Level 2            4. Leaping Forward, Level 3</p> <p>NOTE: Cats DO NOT come to the fair. Members enrolled in a cat project turn in their poster on Sunday and are interviewed on Wednesday. Grades and placings in cat projects are based on the interview and poster. This restriction is based on stress-related concerns for the cats</p>
<p>#220 - Pocket Pets Project &amp; Record (Hamsters, Gerbils, Mice &amp; Rats)</p> <p><i>Must purchase a Pocket Pets Project &amp; Record Book each year you enroll in the project (\$8.00).</i></p> <p><i>Must purchase a Pocket Pets Resource Handbook the first year you take the project (\$14.50). (One Resource Handbook per family is adequate.)</i></p>	<p>See Companion Animals on page 13 of the 2023 Family Guide to 4-H</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Care for at least one hamster, gerbil, mouse or rat for a minimum of three months.</li> <li>Prepare an 82" x 11" poster about your project to turn in at the FCS Building on Sunday, August 13 between 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.</li> <li>Complete your project book and bring to judging on Wednesday, August 17 in the south end of the FCS Building.</li> <li>Bring one hamster, gerbil, mouse or rat in a ventilated container at your scheduled interview time.</li> </ul>	<p>5. Pocket Pets            (Hamsters, gerbils, mice, rats)</p> 
<p>#365 - Self-Determined (Other Pets and Small Animals)</p>  <p><i>Must purchase a Self-Determined Project Booklet with insert and a Small Animal Record Book (\$8.00).</i></p>	<p>See Self-Determined on page 34 of the 2023 Family Guide to 4-H</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Create and complete a special project based on your project animal.</li> <li>Design your project plans so that you learn things about your animal that you don't already know.</li> <li>Enroll in Self-Determined Project 365.01 – Companion Animals for chinchillas, ferrets, hedgehogs, reptiles and amphibians or any other pets not listed.</li> <li>Project plan insert in Self-Determined project booklet is due in the Extension Office by April 24th. Summary sheet is to be brought to judging.</li> <li>Care for at least one animal for a minimum of three months.</li> <li>Prepare an 82" x 11" poster about your project to turn in at the FCS Building on Sunday, August 14 between 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.</li> <li>Complete your Summary Sheet insert and the Small Animal Record Book and bring to judging on <b>Wednesday, August 16</b> in the south end of the FCS Building. (Not judged with other self-determined projects on Monday)</li> <li>Bring your project animal in a cage or ventilated container at your scheduled interview time.</li> </ul>	<p>6. Other Pets            (Cage birds, snakes, turtles, lizards, ferrets, chinchillas, hedgehogs, etc.)</p> <p>NOTE: Members enrolling in a Self-Determined Pet Care Project for Reptiles or Amphibians, Hedgehogs, Ferrets or Chinchillas should download the Idea Starter at <a href="http://www.ohio4h.org/selfdetermined">www.ohio4h.org/selfdetermined</a>.</p> <p>NOTE: Ferrets must have a Certificate of Veterinary inspection completed and turned in with project poster on Sunday, August 13 to be eligible to come to the fair on Wednesday for judging.</p> 