

OHIO 4-H DOG EXPO

Saturday, April 27, 2019 9:00am-2:30pm
Clark County Fairgrounds, Springfield, Ohio
April 15 Registration Postmark Deadline

What is Ohio 4-H Dog Expo? Dog Expo is an opportunity for 4-H members (AND their dogs) to learn skills to help them be more successful with their 4-H dog projects. Teamwork between the 4-H member and their dog is emphasized throughout the sessions. Dog Expo is open to all 4-H dog project members and their dogs, whether this is their first year or they have been taking dogs for several years. Experienced 4-H dog volunteers and resource people will be present to help 4-H members. Dog project members are welcome to attend at no cost if they are not bringing a dog. Dog advisors are welcome to attend without dogs at no cost.

Where will Ohio 4-H Dog Expo be held? Dog Expo will be held at the Clark County Fairgrounds, 4401 S. Charleston Pike, Springfield, OH 45505. There will be several buildings devoted to the different sessions. Registration will be in the Youth Building.

What is the cost? 4-H'ers can come for half a day or all day. It will cost each 4-H'er \$10.00 to participate for half a day, and \$20.00 to participate for a full day's worth of sessions with their dogs. **You MUST pre-register.** There are NO same-day registrations. We will NOT accept walk-ins. ONLY the 4-H member may bring their dog. Puppies under 6 months old are not allowed. Other dogs are not permitted on the grounds. Advisors can attend for free, as well as parents and siblings. Advisors and 4-H members attending without dogs need not pre-register.

When is Registration due? Registrations must be postmarked by Monday, April 15. You must send your money along with the registration form to the address at the bottom of the form.

Confirmation of Registration: You will receive an email before the event listing your sessions. Please make sure your email is accurate and legible on the registration form!

About the Day: Registration opens at 8:30am. You will come in and bring your dog to the "health check" lines and then the "registration" line. At health check we will look at your health papers and do a quick examination of your dog. Have some treats ready to make this a wonderful experience for your dog! You will then go to the "Registration" line to get any additional materials and a name tag. We will have an introduction meeting at 9:00am and classes will start at 9:20am.

We will have six 30-minute sessions throughout the day. We will do our best to get you in as many of your preferred activities as possible. There will be 15-minute breaks between activities and a 40-minute break for lunch. At the end of the day we will have a few closing announcements and a door prize drawing.

Concessions: The Clark County 4-H Dog Committee will have lunch, snacks, and drinks available for purchase on site. You may also bring your own. You will not have time to leave the Fairgrounds to eat lunch.

Skillathon: Skillathons are learning events for youth to practice and demonstrate their knowledge and skills in different species of animals. The Dog Skillathon will be set up for anyone to look at different activity stations throughout the day.

What to Bring:

- Vaccination Records. For Dog Expo your county vaccination records from your veterinarian are fine to bring.
- Buckle Collar. Head halters or harnesses are permitted. No prong or electronic collars, please. Slip collars/choke chains are not necessary.
- 6-foot leash (no retractable leashes)
- Clean-up bags
- A non-squeaky toy (if your dog likes toys)
- Water bowl and water from home
- Wide-mouth treat pouch (such as a \$2.00 cloth nail apron from a hardware store)
- Small lawn chairs/folding chairs (optional)
- Crate (optional for lunch, breaks)

Treats: Bring 4-5 different types of treats. Pre-cut your treats into plenty of pea-sized pieces. Think about different types of plain cooked meat and small pieces of cheese as good examples of high value treats.

Optional: Showmanship collar and lead if you have one.

Sample Session Descriptions

First Year in 4-H Dog Program: If this is your first experience with 4-H dog training, we can help! Start being successful with your dog in this introductory class.

Grooming: For the health of your dog, it is important to understand the basics of daily grooming, care and upkeep. These skills will also add to the success of your 4-H dog project work, especially for You and Your Dog and Showmanship.

Attention Games: It's hard for many dogs to learn how to be attentive, and it is especially important for 4-H dogs who have to focus in a busy environment at the fair. This session includes games and activities to improve your dog's attention. Appropriate for teams of all levels needing some work.

Obedience-Beginner (First Year): Learn skills to perform beginning obedience exercises.

Obedience-Some Experience: Learn skills to perform at the Novice obedience level and above.

Team Events: In this session you will gain a better understanding of how to get started in Drill Team and Team Obedience.

Showmanship-Beginner (First Year): Learn basic showmanship handling skills and patterns.

Showmanship-Some Experience: Learn to polish your showmanship skills.

Rally: Learn how to move through a rally course and important handler skills.

Canine Good Citizen Prep: For 2nd year and up members, this session will help you and your dog prepare for the AKC Canine Good Citizen test. Test information can be found in the 2019 OSF Junior Fair Dog Show Rules for AKC Trick Dog and AKC Canine Good Citizen at www.go.osu.edu/osfdogs. Information can also be found at <http://www.akc.org/dog-owners/training/canine-good-citizen/>, as well as in your 4-H Dog Project and Record Book. Canine Good Citizen classes will be offered at the Ohio State Fair Dog Show.

Tricks: Tricks are great for learning how to be good at training and for your dog to become a better learner. They can be helpful tools for body awareness, physical conditioning, and as part of a warmup and cool down routine. Tricks are also great for keeping your dog busy while waiting for your turn in the ring or between obedience exercises. Trick Dog classes will be offered at the Ohio State Fair Dog Show.

Agility: Sessions will be divided by experience levels. Some sessions will start with some very basics of training and other sessions may address handling and training specifics.

Give Your Dog a Job: Ever wished your dog could turn on the lights or pick your pencil up off the floor? Come hear tips and techniques used by service dog organizations that could be used to help train your dog.

Why Did I Lose that Point? This session is intended for those showing in Novice and above Obedience. Learn what the judges are looking for and why you lost points.

Questions?

Contact Jennifer Newell, State 4-H Dog Advisory Committee at NewellFarmJenn@gmail.com

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NO Same-Day Registrations

\$10 Half-Day or \$20 Whole-Day

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 4-H members wanting to observe may attend for free without your dogs.

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4-H'er's Name _____ Age (1/1) _____ County _____

Mailing Address _____
P.O. Box or Street No. City State Zip

Phone _____ Email _____

Total years in dog project (including 2018) _____ Years in dog project with this dog _____

Dog's Name _____ Dog's Age _____ Dog's Breed _____

What dog projects are you enrolled in this year (2019)? If you know your show level/class, please list that also.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> You & Your Dog | <input type="checkbox"/> Dog Achievement Program |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Showmanship | <input type="checkbox"/> 4-H PetPALS |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Obedience (including Rally) | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Performance | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Working Dog (including Assistance Dogs) | |

Are you attending with a friend? If so, and you would like to be in the same sessions, list their name(s) here. We will do our best to put you in the same sessions. _____

What kinds of activities would you most like to participate in at Dog Expo? Rank EACH activity as a 1 (I really want to do this!), a 2 (somewhat interested), or a 3 (I am not interested). Please put a ★ next to the activity you most want to do.

_____ Agility	_____ Tricks
_____ Attention Games	_____ CGC Prep
_____ Obedience-Beginner (First Year)	_____ Rally
_____ Obedience-Some Experience	_____ Give Your Dog a Job
_____ Team Events	_____ First Year in Dog Program
_____ Showmanship-Beginner (First Year)	_____ Grooming
_____ Showmanship-Some Experience	_____ Why did I Lose that Point?

Is there something else you would really like to learn about? _____

Mail this form with payment to:

Jennifer Newell
 202 Highland Ave.
 Canal Winchester, OH 43110

Make checks payable to:

The Ohio State University
 Half Day = \$10.00
 Whole Day = \$20.00

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Monday, April 15

