



Dear 4-H Enthusiast,

In 2018, the AKC is looking forward to continuing to cultivate a positive relationship between 4-H dog clubs and the AKC Juniors Organization.

We are excited to continue to offer 4-H members an opportunity to try AKC events. We have developed a special form that allows 4-H members to 1) obtain an AKC junior handler number and 2) (if necessary) obtain an AKC participation number for their dog, at **no charge**. (While the junior number is always free, there is normally a \$35 fee to get a Purebred Alternative List or Canine Partner (All-American Dog) number for a dog). Once the 4-H member has a junior handler number and a participation number for their dog, they can begin participating in AKC events, earning AKC titles on their dogs, as well as get points in our new Junior Recognition Program.

The new Junior Recognition Program recognizes juniors who are participating in multiple dog events, such as agility, obedience, and hunt tests. More information about the Junior Recognition Program can be found here: <http://www.akc.org/events/juniorshowmanship/recognition-program/>

There are several events that may be held independently of an AKC club, where AKC titles may be earned by 4-H members. These include the Agility Course Test, the Canine Good Citizen Test, Trick Dog Testing, as well as Farm Dog Certification.

A special video explaining Farm Dog Certification can be viewed by following this link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h08Hv0SDahw>

A special video explaining the Agility Course Test can be viewed by following this link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HF1gHYdqMuw&t=6s>

Also, special for 4-H dog clubs, we will process the CGC and Trick Dog title applications at **no charge** (normally \$20 for each title). Simply collect all title applications and the CP/PAL/JR forms and mail them as a group to me at the address below.

To learn more about CGC or Trick Dog, please visit the Events page on our website: <http://www.akc.org/events/title-recognition-program>

I am attaching the Junior/CP/PAL application, please feel free to share this email and the form with other 4-H dog club leaders.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any additional information or ideas of how we can help encourage our juniors and cultivate a love of all things dog!

Finally, if your state 4-H organization hosts dog events at the state fair, please let us know the dates of the events so we can try to attend and/or inform the local kennel clubs of the opportunity to attend.

Sincerely,

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Canine Partners / Purebred Alternate Listing Application / Junior Number

I. Dog Information

Name of Dog:

Limited to 30 characters including spaces

Breed of Dog:

(if purebred photographs are required)

Male:

Female:

Date of Birth (mm/dd/yy):

Date of Acquired(mm/dd/yy):

(required)

****Dog Must Be Spayed or Neutered****

Color:

Black, Blue, Brown, Yellow, Gray, Orange, Red, Tan, White, Tri-Color

Markings:

Brindle, Merle, Parti-Color, Speckled, Spotted, Solid

II. Applicant Information

First Name:

Last Name:

Mailing Address:

City:

State:

Zip Code:

Home Phone:

Junior Date of Birth: (mm/dd/yy):

Email Address:

III. Co-Applicant Information – If Applicable

First Name:

Last Name:

Mailing Address:

City:

State:

Zip Code:

Home Phone:

Junior Date of Birth: (mm/dd/yy):

Email Address:

V. Parent/Guardian Information

First Name:

Last Name:

Mailing Address:

City:

State:

Zip Code:

By completing and signing this form, I give my consent to the American Kennel Club to issue my child a Junior Handler number. I further give my consent to the American Kennel Club to provide my child's name and ranking points information to third parties with whom the American Kennel Club has agreements to publish Junior Handler ranking statistics.

Parent/Guardian Signature:

Date: