



COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY
EXTENSION

4-H Dog Project



The dog project is designed for youth who are interested in learning more about dog, how to care for a dog, and how to train a dog in basic or ad-vanced commands.

Starting Out

Beginner

- Learn what kind of dog would be best for you and your family
- Learn about goal setting
- Evaluate project with leader
- Learn how to keep records
- Learn how to assume responsibility

Learning More

Intermediate

- Obedience training
- Learn how to train a dog obey certain beginning and novice level commands such as heel, sit, down, stand for examination, recall, finish and the figure eight
- Investigate dog breed origins
- Find out why dogs are neutered or spayed
- Compare dog foods
- Evaluate project with leader
- Learn about goal setting
- Gain knowledge of sound management practices
- Develop sportsmanship
- Develop public speaking skills

Exploring Depth

Advanced

- Advanced training
- Learn about dogs that help people
- Help younger members train their dogs
- Assist the 4-H Dog leader with training
- How to do a budget
- Explore career opportunities related to dogs
- Build lifelong friendship



A dog that is four to six months old, will need a rabies shot

Resources and Links

- Dog Resource Handbook (The Ohio State Publication)
- Revision to the Dog Resource Handbook
- Dog e-Record (Jr./Int./Sr.)
- Dog e-Record Guide
- Dog Showmanship Study Guides
- Dog Rally Guide