

County 4-H Project Completion and Judging Overview 2024

Please carefully read this information; it may answer most Interview Judging or county fair questions.

Project Guidelines

For project guideline information, visit: go.osu.edu/tusc4-hguidelines

All project guidelines are available online. Guidelines need completed for Interview Judging. Members taking more than one project in the same interest area need to complete guidelines for each project and cannot use the same items to support both projects.

For a member to achieve the progression of goals needed for development, 4-H projects must be separate and different from those carried in other organizations such as FHA/HERO, FFA, Scouts, Camp Fire, grange, church, and school (including industrial arts class, science fairs, etc.).

Project Completion and Interview Judging

For more Interview Judging information, visit: go.osu.edu/tusc4-hjudging

Completion of a 4-H project may be achieved in one of two methods. Members must choose one of the following for evaluation, based on the completion of project guidelines and knowledge gained. **All projects must be judged no later than August 7, 2024.**

- *4-H Project Interview Judging* – All members are required to attend an Interview Judging evaluation to receive a project grade. All projects are evaluated using individual project guidelines. Club times will be assigned, and advisors will be notified of their club's times. Members are strongly encouraged to attend at their club's scheduled time.
- *Make Up Judging* – Make Up Judging must be arranged in advance. Any member who is unable to participate in 4-H Project Interview Judging during the regularly scheduled judging week may participate in Make Up Judging. Participants will be ineligible for county awards and/or state fair participation. Appointment times will open **June 1** and will be scheduled **online through SignUpGenius**. Make Up Judging arrangements for those who miss regularly scheduled judging due to extenuating circumstances will be reviewed on a case-by case basis. Not having a project ready in time for regularly scheduled judging is **not** a suitable reason to be judged after the fact.

Dress Code

Clothing and footwear need to be neat, clean, and appropriate for a professional office interview. No blue jeans or shorts. Shirts/tops and skirt length should be conservative. Wear appropriate shoes (no flip flops).

#2010 Dog Obedience, #2015 Dog Showmanship, and #201P Dog Performance

Judging dates are determined by the key leaders and will be distributed at the dog project information meeting.

#588 The Writer in You

Writings are due to the Extension office **before Noon on Friday, June 28, 2024.**

Shooting Sports Projects

The Shooting Sports program is designed for 4-H members ages 9 to 18 (4-H age). Judging dates are determined by the key leaders and will be distributed at the Shooting Sports orientation meeting.

Llamas/Alpacas Projects

Tuscarawas County does not currently have a program in place for llamas/alpacas.

Precise Schedules to be Announced

Monday, July 8	Tuesday, July 9	Wednesday, July 10	Thursday, July 11	Thursday, July 18
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Equine (includes #173 Horseless Horse) • Swine 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FCS Related • Food and Nutrition • Miscellaneous (includes #200 All About Dogs, #201D You & Your Dog Projects; #588 Writing) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goats • Poultry • Rabbits 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beef • Dairy • Sheep 	Clothing and Style Review

Member Evaluation Form

This form is due to our office no later than June 28, 2024.

This is available from the organizational advisor or online (go.osu.edu/tusc4-hjudging). It is to be **completed by the 4-H Advisor and parent/guardian** if they feel it is necessary that the judge should use special consideration concerning a 4-H member during Interview Judging.

State Fair Eligibility

For more State Fair competition or entry deadline information, visit: <http://www.ohiostatefair.com>

4-H members enrolled in non-livestock projects must attend regularly scheduled judging to be eligible to place in the county and/or be eligible to go to State Fair. 4-H members in clothing projects must participate in the county 4-H Style Review to be eligible to be selected for State Fair competition. No pre-judging participants will be considered.

Tuscarawas County Fair – September 16-22, 2024

For more county fair information or to see the fair booklet, visit tusccountyfairgrounds.com.

Fair rules and show information are in the Junior Fair section of the fair book. Entries must be submitted online **only** at tuscjrfair.fairentry.com.

Of special note:

- **All Junior Fair exhibitors must have their official entries completed and submitted online by 11:59 p.m. on August 7, 2024.** All classes including showmanship and Bred/Born/Raised classes must be entered online through FairEntry. A grace period with a **\$100 per class entry fee** will be extended from August 8 until 11:59 PM August 14. No entries will be accepted after 11:59 PM August 14, 2024.
- Wristbands will be distributed only to members who have a yes (Y) in the Club Completion Column on their club’s Completion Sheet.
- Members must have an exhibit at the county fair (as stated in project guidelines) in order to receive a fair premium. If there are circumstances where an animal is not able to be exhibited, a display or poster must be exhibited in the member’s club’s or county miscellaneous booth.

PROJECT RATINGS, PREMIUM REQUIREMENTS, and PAYMENTS		
<i>All premiums are paid by the Tuscarawas County Agricultural Society based on project rating received at 4-H Interview Judging.</i>		
Gold	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exceptional project knowledge. • Work exhibits extra effort with individual initiative to go above and beyond the project requirements. • A thorough understanding of proper methods to complete project. 	\$8
Silver	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Very knowledgeable of project subject matter. • Completed project requirements. • Project presented in a neat and organized manner. 	\$7
Bronze	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adequate project knowledge. • Has made effort towards completing requirements and project presentation. 	\$6
Participation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shows little effort towards completing requirements and presentation. 	None
MEMBER’S PRESENTATION AND ATTITUDE WILL AFFECT PROJECT RATING		

Please email or call if you have any questions.

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2010 Obedience and 201S Showmanship

1. This project is intended for youth 4-H age as of January 1.
2. 201D You and Your Dog must be taken the first year of enrollment in a dog project.
3. Enrollment into 2010 Obedience and 201S Showmanship must be done through local community 4-H clubs.
4. All breeds of dogs (mixed or pure breed) are eligible to be enrolled in Obedience and attend training. Dogs must be at least 6 months of age by April 15. Dogs between 6 months and one year will be evaluated on an individual basis to qualify for these projects.
5. All dogs must have a Tuscarawas County Dog License and present record of all current shots before attending dog-training sessions. (This includes all vaccinations required by Ohio State Fair Junior Dog Show).
6. It is recommended that dogs be spay or neutered.
7. Female dogs in season are **NOT** to be brought to training sessions, State Fair Tryouts, Dog Judging, Tuscarawas County Fair or the Ohio State Fair.
8. Pregnant or lactating dogs are not permitted to attend practice, State Fair Tryouts, Tuscarawas County Fair Dog Show, the Ohio State Fair, or any performance events associated with Tuscarawas County 4-H dog program.
9. The handler or a member of the immediate family must own the dog used for this project. Members of immediate family must reside with the 4-H member.
10. Members are required to attend at least 50% of regularly scheduled Tuscarawas County 4-H Dog Training sessions in order to complete project requirements, compete at the Tuscarawas County Fair, and receive fair premiums and awards.
11. Parents are strongly encouraged to attend dog-training sessions. Parents of first year members are required to attend.
12. Members are expected to take home and practice what they learn at training sessions.
13. All members **MUST** train their dogs themselves. No dogs will be permitted to be involved in the 4-H 2010 Obedience project if trained by another party other than the 4-H member enrolled in that project after April 1.
14. Within the first 3 weeks of training, each dog and handler will be evaluated to determine if the dog is suitable for the handler. All handlers must be able to physically control their dog. A dog which poses a threat to the safety of others or to other dogs will be asked not to attend dog training. The instructor's decision will be final. Another dog owned at the time the training began can be substituted; there will be no substitutions after June 1.
15. Back-Up Animal - In the event that a dog is unable to complete the project due to illness, injury, death, or other reason (to be determined - as approved by the instructor) it may be substituted with a dog that is owned by the member at the time training began. Substitutions must be made by June 1. Back-up dogs must have current vaccinations.



16. A dog that has been used for the Obedience project by a sibling must enroll in the appropriate class for the dog's level of training. The dog may be entered in the same class with the previous handler, but not in a lower level. Two children cannot use the same dog during the same project year.
17. Members who are in good standing in their 4-H club and enrolled in the dog project during the current 4-H year are eligible to participate at the Ohio State Fair. Exhibitors interested in competing are responsible for the *Rules for Ohio State Fair Junior Fair Dog Show Participation*. Participants must have their dog vaccinated by a veterinarian and complete the Ohio State Fair Dog Project Identification Form. The exhibitor is responsible for mailing their entry to the Ohio State Fair with the appropriate fees and signatures postmarked by June 20. Entry forms, Ohio State Fair Junior Fair Dog Show Participation rules, and **Ohio State Fair Dog Project Identification Form and Vaccination Certificate** can be found at: ohio4h.org/animalsciences/dog/dog-resources or at the Extension office.

Interview Judging Requirements

1. All members must attend Interview Judging in order to show at the Tuscarawas County Dog Show. Only valid excuses will be accepted and these are to be determined by the 4-H Extension professional **prior** to Interview Judging. Special arrangements will be made for judging.
2. Members must be prepared to discuss terms and methods used in training, definitions in project book, along with information in Project 201D – You and Your Dog.
3. Member must bring to Interview Judging:
 - a. neat and complete project book,
 - b. notebook including all current year's accomplishments, and
 - c. one-page report relevant to project area.
4. Poster or educational display illustrating or describing some aspect of current year's dog project must accompany member to Interview Judging.
5. 4-H members must dress appropriately for judging. No blue jeans, shorts or halter-tops are to be worn to judging.

4-H DOG SHOW CLASSES

Obedience

- Beginner Novice A – Is for the first year member and first year dog with no prior show experience. Handlers and dogs must perform the following exercises: heal (on leash), figure 8 (on leash), sit for exam (on leash), sit stay (on leash), recall (on leash).
- Beginner Novice B – Youth may show one project dog in Beginner Novice B or Pre-Novice, decided upon according to skill level and preference. **A youth cannot show in both Beginner Novice B and Pre-Novice in the same year.** Handlers and dogs must perform the following exercises: heal (on leash), figure 8 (on leash), sit for exam (on leash), sit stay (leash attached to dog and laying on ground), recall (off leash).
- Pre Novice - All exercises are to be performed on leash. Participant will be expected to demonstrate abilities of the dog to: heal on leash; figure 8; stand for examination; recall; long sit (1 minute) long down (3 minutes).
- Novice - Exhibitor shall demonstrate the ability of the dog to: heel on leash; figure 8; stand for examination off leash; heal free; recall; long sit (1 minute) long down (3 minutes off leash).
- Graduate Novice - All exercises will be performed off leash. Exercises to be performed will include: heel free; figure 8; moving stand for examination; moving drop on recall; dumbbell recall; recall over broad jump; long down (3 minutes). This class will include a long down to be performed with handler out of sight.
- Open - All exercises are to be performed off leash. Exercises to be performed: heal free and figure 8; drop on recall; retrieve over high jump; broad jump; long sit (3 minutes); long down (5 minutes). The long sit and long down will be performed with the handler out of sight.

Showmanship

- Showmanship will include an interview with questions from the 201 Dog Project and Record Book and the 201R Dog Resource Handbook.
- Junior Showmanship A - Member must be 9-11 as of January 1. Neither handler nor dog with prior show experience previously entered in this class.
- Junior Showmanship B - Member must be 9-11 as of January 1. The handler or dog previously entered in this class or have shown in other shows.
- Intermediate Showmanship A - Member must be 12-14 as of January 1. Neither handler nor dog with prior show experience previously entered in this class.
- Intermediate Showmanship B - Member must be 12-14 as of January 1. The handler or dog previously entered in this class or have shown in other shows.
- Senior Showmanship A - Member must be 15-18 as of January 1. Neither handler nor dog with prior show experience previously entered in this class.
- Senior Showmanship B - Member must be 15-18 as of January 1. The handler or dog previously entered in this class or have shown in other shows.

OHIO STATE FAIR 4-H DOG POSTER CONTEST

Purpose:

1. To visually demonstrate 4-H and FFA dog project knowledge.
2. To stimulate an interest in 4-H and FFA dog projects.
3. To demonstrate to others the diversity of the 4-H and FFA dog projects.

Entry Information and Deadline:

1. Youth must be enrolled in and taking a 4-H dog project to participate in the Poster Contest, but need not show a dog.
2. Each youth must complete an Ohio State Fair Dog Show Poster Entry Form and send (or bring) the completed entry form along with poster to the OSF Dog Poster Contest, Nationwide and Ohio Farm Bureau 4-H Center, 2201 Fred Taylor Drive, Columbus, OH 43210.
3. **Posters must be postmarked by June 15.**
4. Posters postmarked after the June 15 deadline will be displayed but not judged.
5. There are no entry fees for posters.

Rules:

1. Member must enter 4-H age category as of January 1 of the current year. Junior Division (ages 8-11) Intermediate Division (ages 12-14) Senior Division (ages 15-18).
2. First place winners in each age division may exhibit every year provided the age requirements and met.
3. Each poster must be made by the 4-H member.
4. **Posters must be made using size 22" x 28" regular poster board.** Do not use foam core poster board or science fair display boards.
5. **Posters MUST be constructed and displayed horizontally.**
6. Do not mount poster boards on any type of stiff backing.
7. Shadow boxes, overlays, peek-through windows, or three-dimensional posters are not permitted. Items hanging off the sides of the poster are not permitted.
8. Stick-on letters and stickers are permitted.
9. It is not a requirement for posters to be laminated; however, lamination may help preserve the poster.
10. Each poster must be **clearly labeled in the front lower right hand corner with the (1) exhibitor's name, (2) county, (3) age as of January 1 of the current year.**
11. Posters will be judged on Educational Content (50 pts.), Neatness/Appearance (30 pts.), and Originality (20 pts.). Refer to the Appendix for the Poster Score Sheet.
12. Poster score sheets are used for judging only and will not be returned to the exhibitor.

13. Posters will be displayed in the Buckeye Sports Center during the State Fair Dog Show. All posters that place will be displayed throughout the Dog Show. Depending on the number of other posters received, a certain percentage of posters will be displayed each day.
14. Posters will be released after the awards presentation or after they have had their turn at being displayed. *Exhibitors who are not present to take home their posters should have a representative take their poster down and return to them following the State Fair Dog Show.*

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Dog Projects Help Sheet

4-H Members can participate in the Dog program two different ways:

1. Companion Animal projects – Interview Judging is on Miscellaneous Project day. Members can qualify to be sent to the Ohio State Fair’s Companion Animal Day without their dog. These projects include *#201D You and Your Dog*, *#200 All About Dogs*, and *#201W Working Dogs* (assistance).
2. Competition projects – To compete in the Tuscarawas County Fair Dog Show and the Ohio State Fair, you must take one of these projects. Members are required to attend scheduled workouts.
 - a. *#201D You and Your Dog*
 - Study questions will be posted at go.osu.edu/osfdogs. Members can compete at the county show and Ohio State Fair Dog Show with their dog.
 - Members are not required to attend weekly workouts.
 - b. *#201O Obedience*
 - Includes Training Tips, Beginner Novice, Pre-Novice, Novice, Graduate Novice, Open, Graduate Open, Utility, Brace, Team, and Rally.
 - Youth must be enrolled in this project to show in any of the above-mentioned obedience classes at the county show or Ohio State Fair.
 - c. *#201S Showmanship*
 - Includes Preparing for Showmanship, Stacking, Gaiting, Showmanship Patterns, Tabling, Breed Presentation, Ring Procedure.
 - Questions for showmanship judging will come from specific chapters and/or sections of the Dog Resource Handbook. Youth must be enrolled in this project to show in the Showmanship classes at the county show or Ohio State Fair.
 - For county and state fair judging, study questions will be posted at go.osu.edu/osfdogs.
 - d. *#201P Performance*
 - Includes Agility, Coonhound Events, Drill Team, Freestyle, Barn Hunt, Earthdog Tests, Field Tests, Herding Trials, Hunting Tests, Lure Coursing, and Tracking.
 - Youth must be enrolled in this project to show in Agility, Drill Team, and Freestyle classes at the county show or Ohio State Fair.

Important Things to Remember

- If a first-time member is planning to compete with their dog in Obedience, Showmanship, or Performance, they must enroll and complete *#201D You and Your Dog*.
- If the member is competing in the Tuscarawas County Fair Dog Show, they must attend 70% of dog workouts held on the fairgrounds (see schedule at go.osu.edu/Tusc4HDogs or use the QR code below).
- If you have any questions, please contact Marcie Dryden, 4-H Dog Key Leader, at 330-260-1766 or call the Extension office.

Scan the QR code to go directly to the Tuscarawas County 4-H Dog page.

