



Project levels are designed for members 8-18 years old.

Starting Out - Beginner Inspiring youth to:

- 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

Exploring Depth - Advanced Inspiring youth to:

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



Learning More - Intermediate Inspiring youth to:

- 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

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Tips:

- Fresh, cool water should be available in a clean dish at all times.
- Dogs need at least 2 dishes filled with fresh water everyday.
- A dog that is four to six months old will need a rabies shot.
- Dogs need a clean place to get out of the weather such as a doghouse or access to the garage.
- Dog should have:
 - o clear, clean, bright eyes
 - o clean pink ears with no discharge or odor
 - o skin free of oils, flakes, sores or lumps
 - o pink gums, clean teeth with fresh breath
 - o anal region clean and dry
 - o firm body
- Observe regularly for illnesses or acting differently than usual.
- Dogs needs regular grooming.

Show Info:

- Follow 4-H Progression Charts to know which classes to enter.
- Dog Show Rules, Progression Charts, and Showmanship Study Guides can be found at https://co4h.colostate.edu/program-areas/state-fair-information/.





Resources:

- Exhibit & Judging Requirements
- Record Books
- Manual Information

Located at: Colorado4h.org

Dog Industry Careers



Groomer
Provide grooming and
salon services for
owners of dogs



Provide sales of products at different retail levels for dog owners



<u>Veterinarian</u>
Provide veterinary health
services to dogs



<u>Dog Shows</u>
Be a professional fitter or shower at dog shows or learn to be a judge or volunteer at dog shows





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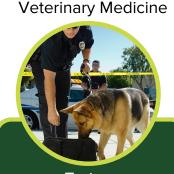
Animal Science
Animal or Human Behavioral Health
Genetics and Research
Law Enforcement/Military
Marketing or Journalism
Dog Training Certifications
Rescue Certifications



Rescue Operations
Work with emergency
disaster organizations to
use dogs during a disaster
or to care for animals kept
at emergency facilities



Journalist
Provide informational
articles and resources
for those involved in the
dog industry



Irainer
Provide training services
including law enforcement,
hunting, service dogs,
recreation and more



Research/Diagnostics
Study the effect of
nutrition, environment,
genetics and more on
dog diseases or illnesses