

Utah 4-H State Dog Show

Friday June 28th – Saturday June 29th

Friday Events: Garland City Park - 500 East 100 North Garland, UT

Skill Stations are a series of mini clinic/workshops for youth to practice skills necessary for each of the events available. Skill stations are divided into groups of showmanship/obedience, rally-o, and agility. During these skill stations, youth can practice skills necessary to complete the Utah 4-H Rank Advancements, and prepare for the show.

Ranking Events are one-on-one or small group activities to pass off skills for the Utah 4-H Dog Program Rank Advancements. Youth must complete the skills in Rank 2 to compete in any division other than NOVICE at the Utah 4-H State Dog Show. The rank advancement book can be found here: <https://utah4h.org/files/Projects/agriculture/Dog/DogRankAdvancements2018.pdf>

The Pet Show is the first ever Utah 4-H Pet Advocate Project Pet Show! This show allows youth to show off ANY of their pets, not just their dog. The show includes a poster and small demo, and youth can bring their pet as a part of the display or a stuffed animal. This show is OPEN to all participants! 4-H Members registered for the Dog Show can enter the pet show free. All other members pay a \$5 entry fee. Rules and entry form are here: <https://utah4h.org/files/Projects/agriculture/Dog/2019PetShowInformation.pdf>

Quiz Bowl is a fun activity to help youth practice for the written test. Teams are encouraged but everyone can participate with or without a team. This is a fun contest to help everyone study together.

The Agility Fun Match is the first event of the Utah 4-H State Dog Show. The agility matches are timed events and are a lot of fun! This is a non-qualifying event meaning we have prizes but participation will not affect over-all exhibitor awards Saturday. Youth hoping to participate in the Agility Fun Match must be registered for the regular show and have a completed Agility Verification Form from a licensed veterinarian. This form can be found on our website.

Saturday Events: Box Elder County Fairgrounds - 320 North 1000 West, Tremonton

The Written Test is a required event for youth participating in the state dog show. A study guide from the 2018 test is available on the website and is a good start. Youth should study out of the Ohio State Resource Books and the Discover 4-H Dog Clubs book. These materials can be found on the website.

Showmanship is an event that teaches skills that youth will use their entire lives. Showmanship is all about ring-presence, skill, and presentation. Youth will perform simple maneuvers and answer basic questions about their project to the judge. Youth compete against others in their age group and will only compete once, even if they bring multiple dogs to the show.

Obedience is more intense than showmanship, but just as fun! During the obedience class the judge is looking for a partnership between dog and handler and will evaluate the team based on skill and ability to perform certain maneuvers. Obedience classes are divided first by dog and handler skill level, and then by exhibitor age.

Rally-O is a hybrid of obedience and agility. Dog and handler teams will complete a course set up with a series of different maneuvers and tasks to showcase teamwork and skill. Rally-O uses time to break ties, so efficient and correct courses are rewarded.