

April 16, 2025

To: Dakota County 4-H Dog project families
Re: 4-H Dog Project Reminders & ID deadline

TIME SENSITIVE:

4-H dog training sessions begin on May 5. To be sure your family is ready please see important details below. Ensure your family is up to date on dues for 2025. Dues form can be found on the Dakota County 4-H website (<https://extension.umn.edu/local/dakota>) under the 'Join or re-enroll' dropdown. Training schedule enclosed.

May 15 Animal ID Deadline; schedule your vet appointment now

If your family would like to participate in the [Dog Project Training sessions](#) this summer, please pay close attention to the [Animal ID deadlines and requirements](#). Schedule your veterinary appointments now to ensure you have the proper paperwork in order to submit by the statewide May 15 Animal ID deadline. Your veterinarian will complete the Affidavit and Vaccination Information portion on the [MN 4-H Dog Project Form](#). You will need a form for each dog you plan to exhibit in the 4-H Dog Project. The first training session is scheduled **Monday, May 5**. If you wish to participate in that session, paperwork will need to be completed and submitted at that time. Even if you don't plan to take part in the County Dog Show, the Dog Affidavit and Vaccination Information must be completed to take part in the training sessions for health and safety reasons. Families are responsible for entering their dog ID information in 4-H Online (<https://mn.4honline.com>) by the May 15 statewide ID deadline.

Dog Project Kick-Off - Monday, April 28 at 6:30 p.m.

New and returning Dog Project families are invited to the Dakota County Extension and Conservation Center, 4100 220th Street West in Farmington on Monday, April 28 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. for a fun and information packed night. Join us for prizes, light refreshments, activities, project overview, calendar, and meet and greet with the trainers. Staff are looking forward to another year of providing a wide range of trainers to lead training in each of the disciplines, but to also provide 1:1 support to achieve the best results from your canine companion.

Staff are looking forward to seeing you at the Dakota County 4-H Dog Project Kick-Off! For questions, contact Kirsten at kapeders@umn.edu or 952-240-7947 (text/call).

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