DATE: March 20, 2024

TO: Dog Project Members and Parents

FROM: Shaylen R. Florez, 4-H Program Coordinator

RE: 2024 ARAPAHOE COUNTY FAIR 4-H DOG SHOW

Remember to do your entry online @ arapahoeCounty.fairentry.com starting on June 1st. The 4-H Fairbook is usually delivered in April/May to organizational leaders. You may also find it on our website at: https://arapahoe.extension.colostate.edu/arapahoe-county-fair/. Pre-entries are required if you expect to participate in pre-fair and fair events. Pre-entries will be accepted from Saturday, June 1- Saturday, June 15. Late entries with $25 late fee per member will be accepted June 16-22. Absolutely NO entries will be accepted after June 22 for any reason.

Remember, there is a costume contest for Dog Show contestants, so make sure to enter in the class. Last year there was only one participant so would like to have more to make it more fun for the participants.

The deadline for Dog ID information on 4HOnline is May 1. All those that uploaded their information by that deadline are eligible to participate in the county show. Please remember that there will be a TEST given at the Dog Show so please make sure to read through your NEW manual and use the study guides. Links will be provided once we have access.

The DOG SHOW is scheduled @ 9 AM on Sunday, July 21, 2024, in the Exhibition Hall at the Fairgrounds, 25690 E. Quincy Ave., Aurora. Check-in is from 8- 8:30 AM and the show starts promptly at 9 AM. A late fee of $25.00 will be charged for any dogs registered after 8:30 AM (unless previously arranged with the superintendent). You may wish to bring snacks/lunch and bring water for you and your dog for the Dog Show. You might want to bring a camera to take pictures for your e-record. Also, remember to bring soft treats to be used only in the Showmanship ring- not Rally or Obedience Rings.

Your dog must be always on a leash (no longer than 6 feet), except when judging requires off-lead work (flexi-leads are permitted outside only). You will also be responsible for cleaning up after your dog – come prepared.
E-RECORDS MUST BE PRESENTED TO THE SUPERINTENDENT AT REGISTRATION. MEMBERS WHO FAIL TO BRING THEIR E-RECORDS WILL BE ALLOWED TO SHOW THEIR DOG FOR EXHIBITION ONLY AND WILL NOT BE AWARDED PLACEMENT, PREMIUMS, OR STATE FAIR ELIGIBILITY. The E-Record will be initialed by the superintendent and returned to you for completion. The E-Record must show proof of effective vaccination for rabies and parvovirus. You must have a current rabies certificate with a veterinarian’s signature.

State Fair Dog Show contestants must qualify at the Arapahoe County 4-H Dog Show. Those eligible for participation @ the State fair dog Show will be notified a few days after the completion of the show.

THANK YOU NOTE POLICIES:
1. A thank you note must be written to each donor (i.e. CORE, etc.).
2. The name and address of the donors to be thanked will be placed in envelopes and distributed to exhibitors at the following Fair exhibit check-in events:
   - 4-H Cat Show
   - 4-H Dog Show
   - 4-H Consumer Science & General Project Judging
   - 4-H Mandatory Livestock Meeting
   - Horse Show
3. All thank you notes for Fair donations (i.e. CORE, etc.) must be presented at the Fair check-in events listed above to receive the donation the day of check-in.
4. The Donor(s) name and mailing address will also be available in the 4-H Fair office.
5. Exhibitors who do not present a thank you note at the listed check-in events will have the opportunity to bring their thank you notes to the 4-H Fair office by noon on Sunday, July 28 to receive exhibitor donations.
6. For exhibits to be released on Sunday, July 28, and donations distributed, a thank you note must be presented in an unsealed, addressed stamped envelope with the name and address of donor prior to receiving the donations at release.
7. If your thank you note is deemed unacceptable, you will be asked to re-write it.

Thank You Note Envelopes:
1. Must be properly addressed (in ink) and stamped to be considered complete.
2. Must have the complete name and address of the buyer/donor. Donor names and addresses will be available at each exhibit check in event.
3. Must have a complete return address with name and address of youth.

The Grand Champion fair awards will be presented at the annual Achievement Program that is scheduled for Wednesday, October 9, 2024.

We’ll see you at the County Fair 4-H Dog Show on Sunday, July 21, 2024! If you have any questions, please contact me at sflorez@arapahoegov.com.

Thanks.