

Dear 4-H Member and family,

Welcome to the Dane County 4-H Dog Project! The County provides a program to help you and your dog become working partners. Obedience classes and related activities teach your 4-H “team” (member and dog) how to become better companions and family members, promoting responsibility, communication, patience, sportsmanship, cooperation and commitment.

The Dog Obedience training program begins by teaching the simple commands such as sit, stay, heel, and recall of your dog. The basics progress to more advanced yet gradual training off leash, over jumps, etc. See more detailed descriptions of the various classes we offer are listed in the Dane County 4-H Dog Rules and Guidelines. 4-H Members and their dogs are placed at a training level most appropriate for them based on their previous experience and success at lower levels.

Please read the enclosed Dane County 4-H Dog Obedience Rules & Guidelines. There, you will find important information on what to expect concerning the dog project as well as requirements for attendance, vaccination records and much more. A signature page is included on the back of that document that needs to be signed by the 4-H member and a parent/guardian after going over the materials.

If you have any questions please contact any of the following Committee members: Dolores Kokinos (608) 235-5218, Sarah James (608) 487-6604, Shane Eith (608) 354-4836.