

## 2nd Grade

# MINI 4-H DOGS



Hi! Welcome to Mini 4-H and the Mini 4-H Dogs Project. You are going to have a great time this year as you learn about the different kinds of dogs.

Before you begin this project, please read the helpful information listed on the next two pages.

Good luck on your project and, most of all, have fun!

## **INSTRUCTIONS**

Before you start working on this project, please read these instructions with an adult or 4-H member who will be helping you.

1. Read the Exhibit Requirements, Note to Parents, Helpful Hints, and Project Goals.
2. You should begin working on your project when you get this manual.
3. Be proud of your project if you have done the best you can do.

## **EXHIBIT REQUIREMENTS**

1. Read this project book.
2. Write a 50 word story on a specific breed of dog, include a picture of that breed of dog and add this information to your scrapbook from previous year (if applicable). Bring the scrapbook to the 4-H Fair and turn it in as your dog exhibit.

### **NOTE TO PARENTS**

4-H is proud to be considered a "family affair." While it is expected that the 4-H member will actively complete his or her own project, please offer encouragement and guidance to your child throughout the project. Keep in mind that your child's exhibit is to be an exhibit of his or her best effort. Most importantly, take time to enjoy 4-H with your child.

## **HELPFUL HINTS**

Each 4-H family should view a current copy of the Washington County 4-H Handbook. This book contains information on 4-H activities, rules and projects. Whenever you have 4-H related questions, please consult this information book.

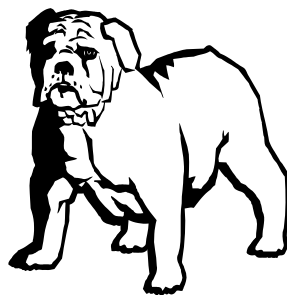
Monthly 4-H Newsletters will be made available to families. Please read these Newsletters. They will contain information on upcoming 4-H activities, rule or project updates, and 4-H fair information.

Mini 4-H members are encouraged to attend 4-H Club meetings. At these meetings, you will learn more about 4-H, make new friends, and have fun.

## **PROJECT GOALS**

Given the information in this manual and the help of an adult or older 4-H member you will complete an exhibit in the Mini Dog Project.

The **Bulldog** was developed in the British Isles for bullbaiting. Today's bulldog isn't known for his fierceness, but for being friendly. The Bulldog has a short coat that may be white, red, fallow (cream), or fawn in color. The coat may also be in a brindle or piebald pattern.



The **Wire-Haired Fox Terrier** was developed in England for the purpose of chasing small animals like foxes out of their dens. They are full of energy. The Wire-Haired Fox Terrier has a dense and wiry texture coat that is most often white in color with black and tan patches.

The **Yorkshire Terrier** was developed in England and was a working class dog. They are a very high-spirited dog which has a long, straight, silky coat that is a dark blue color with tan markings on head and legs. The tan color is darker closest to the dog's body and lightens up at the tips.

The **Dachshund** was developed in Germany for the purpose of hunting badgers. This short-legged, long-bodied dog is friendly. The most popular coat colors are solid red, black, and tan. They can also be chocolate, tan, fawn, cream, and grey. They can also have coats that have patterns.

The **Golden Retriever** originated in England as a hunting dog. They are an even tempered dog with a coat that is a shade of gold.

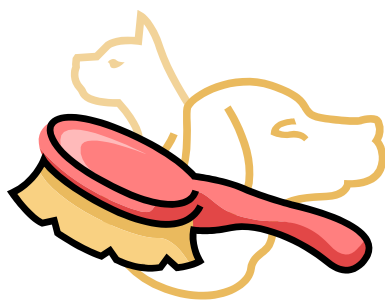
The **Shetland Sheepdog (Sheltie)** was developed in the Shetland Islands and was used as a herding dog. They are very loyal and are good with kids. They have long coats in the color of black, blue, or sable. The color sable ranges from golden to mahogany (reds).



The **Great Dane** originated in Germany and was used as a boar hound. The Great Dane loves kids. Their coat comes in several colors including brindle, fawn, blue, black and harlequin. Brindle is described as a gold base with black cross stripes in a pattern. Harlequin is described as pure white with black patches.

## Your Dog Project Exhibit

Your dog project exhibit will be a 50 word story you have written on a specific breed of dog, include a picture of that breed of dog and add this information to your scrapbook from the previous year (if applicable). You may include pictures or drawings of yourself caring for the dog.



## Check List for Your Dog Project Exhibit

The judge will consider these things when they look at your exhibit. Can you answer "yes" to each question?

- |  | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> |
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| 1. Is your story at least 50 words?      | ___        | ___       |
| 2. Is your story about a specific breed? | ___        | ___       |
| 3. Did you give your story a title?      | ___        | ___       |
| 4. Is your story neatly written?         | ___        | ___       |
| 5. Did you include pictures or drawings? | ___        | ___       |
| 6. Are the pictures or drawings labeled? | ___        | ___       |

It is important that you get your exhibit to the fair on time. Check your 4-H Newsletter or ask your 4-H Club leader when your mini dog project exhibit needs to be checked-in at the 4-H Fair. Write that information here and on your family calendar.

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