Skill-a-Thon Description:
The Dog Skill-a-Thon is a competitive event designed to test the knowledge and skills that a 4-H member can gain through their involvement in the Dog project area. There are five stations in the contest that will include written and hands-on activities. The stations will test the 4-H members’ subject matter knowledge and skills.

Date and Time: Monday, August 24th 2019 – 4:00pm – 8:00pm

Station 1: Parts of a Dog

This station will test the 4-H members’ knowledge of external Dog body parts.

Beginners will be asked to identify 5 body parts, juniors will identify 7 body parts, and seniors will identify 10 body parts. To study, review the “Parts of a Dog” below.
**Station 2: Breed Identification**

This station will test the 4-H members’ knowledge of dog breeds.

Beginners will be asked to identify 5 breeds, juniors will be asked to identify 7 breeds, and seniors will be asked to identify 10.

All breeds will come from the American Kennel Club Herding. 4-H members will be given a picture and a short description of the breed to be identified.

The breeds selected to be identified will come from the following list.

https://www.akc.org/dog-breeds/groups/herding/

- Australian Cattle Dog
- Australian Shepherd
- Bearded Collie
- Beauceron
- Belgian Malinois
- Belgian Sheepdog
- Belgian Tervuren
- Bergamasco Sheepdog
- Berger Picard
- Border Collie
- Bouvier Des Flandres
- Briard
- Canaan Dog
- Cardigan Welsh Corgi
- Chesapeake Bay Retriever
- Collie
- Entlebucher Mountain Dog
- Finnish Lapphund
- German Shepherd
- Icelandic Sheepdog
- Miniature American Shepherd
- Norwegian Buhund
- Old English Sheepdog
- Pembroke Welsh Corgi
- Polish Lowland Sheepdog
- Puli
- Pumi
- Pyrenean Shepherd
- Shetland Sheepdog
- Spanish Water Dog
- Swedish Vallhund
Station 3: Obedience Rule Book Quiz

This station will consist of a 20 question quiz on the Obedience rule book. The questions will be multiple choice or true/false. Beginners will answer the first 10 questions, Juniors will answer the first 15 questions, and seniors will answer all 20 questions.

The current Obedience rulebook can be found at: https://extension.sdstate.edu/sites/default/files/2019-05/P-00099.pdf

Station 4: Dog Diseases

This station will test the 4-H members’ knowledge of Dog Diseases, Internal or External parasites. Questions will ask the causes, symptoms, treatments, etc. of each disease.

Members should be familiar with:

- Rabies
  - https://www.petmd.com/dog/conditions/neurological/c_multi_rabies

- Parvo
  - https://www.petmd.com/dog/conditions/infectious-parasitic/c_dg_canine_parvovirus_infection

- Internal Infections
  - Leptospirosis
    - https://www.petmd.com/dog/conditions/infectious-parasitic/c_multi_leptospirosis

- External Infections
  - Otitis Externa
    - https://www.petmd.com/dog/conditions/ears/c_multi_otitis_externa_and_otitis_media
Station 5: Dog Equipment Identification

This station will test the 4-H members’ knowledge of Dog equipment.

Beginners will be asked to identify 5 pieces of equipment, juniors will be asked to identify 5 pieces of equipment and what 3 of them are used for, and seniors will be asked to identify 5 pieces of equipment and what all 5 are used for.

The pieces of equipment selected to be identified will come from the following list:

- Toe nail clippers
- Grooming brush
- Vaseline
- Scissors
- Lint roller
- Spray bottle of water
- Combs
- Styptic powder
- Hand sanitizer
- Baby wipes
- Pumice stone
- Slicker block
- Elizabethan Collar
- Harness
- Dog Tooth Brush
- Treat Tote
- ID Tag
- Dog Chip