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# 2024 South Dakota State 4-H Dog Shows

*Contestant Packet*



## **SOUTHEAST REGIONAL DOG CHAMPIONSHIP**

**Registration Deadline: July 10, Show: July 20**

## **CENTRAL REGIONAL DOG CHAMPIONSHIP**

**Registration Deadline: Aug. 7, Show: Aug. 17**

## **WESTERN REGIONAL DOG CHAMPIONSHIP**

**Registration Deadline: Sept. 18, Show: Sept. 28**

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## Championship Locations



Youth will have three site options.

### Eastern Championships

- July 20, 2024
- Lincoln County 4-H Office
  - 27711 SD-17, Lennox, SD 57039

#### **Directions**

From exit 68 on I-29, proceed west 4.5 miles to SD-17, then proceed south 1.1 miles to Lincoln County 4-H.

### Central Championships

- August 17, 2024
- Davison County 4-H Complex
  - 3200 W. Havens Ave., Mitchell, SD 57031

#### **Directions**

From exit 330 on I-90, proceed north 0.7 miles to the stoplight at Havens Avenue, then proceed west 1.6 miles to Davison County 4-H.

### Western Championships

- September 28, 2024
- RyeDoodle Boarding & Training
  - 4223 Peaceful Pines Rd, Rapid City, SD 57702

#### **Directions**

From exit 52 on I-90, proceed east 0.8 miles to RyeDoodle Boarding & Training. Please park efficiently.



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*Summary of Major Changes for 2024*

## Changes

- Bordetella is a required vaccine in 2024 and going forward.
- Exhibitors will now wear arm band ID rather than back tags. These will be provided.
- Skillathon Station 2 (Breed ID) has been modified from Sporting Dog to Herding Dog.
- To promote increased access to the SD4-H state dog championships (especially among west river youth who have had poor access in the past), there will now be three show opportunities spread throughout the state rather than one centralized show only. This new multi-site option is possible thanks to the engaged support of several local SD 4-H dog clubs/programs! Youth may participate in as many shows as they choose. Separate, top placements will be available at each site. Overall premier exhibitors will be awarded at the conclusion of the season.
- Affidavit – Families are no longer required to upload a separate dog affidavit as in years past. Instead, families must update their dog information in 4-H Online and upload a proof of vaccination from your veterinarian that shows current Bordetella, Rabies and DHLPP vaccines.
- Regional Dog Championship Participation – If a 4-H member would like to participate in more than one regional championship, they are able to. They would be eligible for ribbons and awards at each regional show (change from 2023).
- Veteran Jumps – For dogs 7 years old and older, jumps will be one height lower than their measured jump height for jumps in any class.
- Rally Signs – Rally signs have been updated to reflect American Kennel Club rally signs. Therefore some sign numbers have been changed and added from previous years.
- Age of Dogs - Dogs must be fully vaccinated to participate in dog practices. Dogs must be 6 months old or older for any 4-H show. Additional age requirements are noted in the Agility section.
- Number of Dogs - Each exhibitor can register an unlimited number of dogs in 4-H Online. However, they may only show one dog per sport.
- Use of Bait – In both novice and open showmanship classes, baiting will be allowed.
- If you have any questions about any of the changes, please feel free to reach out to the South Dakota 4-H Dog Coordinators Wendy Sweeter ([wsweeter@lincolncountysd.org](mailto:wsweeter@lincolncountysd.org)) or Nathan Skadsen ([nathan.skadsen@sdstate.edu](mailto:nathan.skadsen@sdstate.edu)).



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## *Exhibitor Information*



### **Exhibitor Information**

This packet is provided to help in your preparation for the event. All class and contest rules for the State 4-H Dog Show can be found in the South Dakota 4-H section on [extension.sdstate.edu](http://extension.sdstate.edu). If you have any questions, contact your county 4-H office or the South Dakota State 4-H Office at 605-688-4167. Good luck!

- There are no housing facilities for dogs during the State 4-H Dog Show.
- Clubs and families are encouraged to bring portable kennels for the day's events.
- On the day of the show, youth must keep all dogs on a leash.
- Participants should come prepared to clean up after their dogs.
- Female dogs in estrus cannot be shown – no exceptions.
- The State 4-H Dog Show is open to any breed of dog (purebred and mixed). However, no wolf-hybrids may be shown.
- Official SD 4-H t-shirts will be provided at check-in for exhibitors. For additional attire requirements, please see the Showmanship attire section in the Dog Project Guide.

### **Dog Health Regulations**

All dogs participating in the State 4-H Dog Show must be in good health and have a current vaccination record to provide during check in.

- Families are no longer required to upload a separate dog affidavit as in years past. Instead, families must update their dog information in 4-H Online and
- upload a proof of vaccination from your veterinarian that shows current Bordetella, Rabies and DHLPP vaccines.
- Each animal must have individual identification which may be the rabies tag number issued by the veterinarian or a description of the animal listed on the health certificate. The official tag the veterinarian issues when the dog is vaccinated for rabies is recognized as official identification. NOTE: Rabies tags do not replace your dog's proof of vaccination from your veterinarian.
- Any questions regarding the health of an animal will be based on the animal's condition as it is presented on show day. This determination is at the discretion of official show representative.
- Please bring water and food to meet your dog's needs on show day.

### **Dog Show Results**

All results will be posted on [extension.sdstate.edu](http://extension.sdstate.edu) following the State 4-H Dog Show. Posted results are final.



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## *4-H Exhibitor Entry Directions*



### **4-H Exhibitor Directions:**

- Important: All State 4-H Dog Show entries are due in Fair Entry.
  - Southeast Regional Dog Championship: Registration Deadline: July 10, Show: July 20
  - Central Regional Dog Championship: Registration Deadline: Aug. 7, Show: Aug. 17
  - Western Regional Dog Championship: Registration Deadline: Sept. 18, Show: Sept. 28
- Wolf hybrids are not allowed to show at the South Dakota State 4-H Dog Show.
- Utilize the South Dakota 4-H Dog Entry Worksheet as a tool to gather all the requested information needed for registration in Fair Entry.
  - Write the lot number and dog name for each class you would like to enter.
  - List the dog height (in inches) by the dog's name in the Animal Name box if applicable.
- All entries must be entered using Fair Entry.
- Any participant who is competing in a class where a retrieve may be asked for is required to bring their own retrieve item. This can be any dog safe item but cannot contain treats, food, etc. If competing in a class that may have a directed retrieve bring 3 retrievable items (e.g., dumbbell, sent article, glove).





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*Dog Show Schedule*



**Show Schedule:**

9:00 a.m.	Registration begins
9:30 a.m.	Ring-Side Check-In for Showmanship begins
10:00 a.m.	Showmanship begins followed by Ring-Side Check-In for all other classes
10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.	Dog Skill-a-Thon
12:30 p.m.	Obedience, Rally, and Agility begin

Participants should check in at ring side 30 minutes before the beginning of each class.

\*For those members who are not participating in showmanship but are participating in agility, agility may start at 10 a.m.

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