

LEASING A DOG
IS THIS FOR AN ASSISTANCE DOG PROGRAM? ___ YES ___ NO

- I. **PURPOSE OF THE LEASE PROGRAM** – It is to provide a youth with the opportunity of participating in the showing aspects of the **4-H LOCAL Fulton County Canine Program** only when one or more of the following conditions exist:
- a. Youth does not have the facilities to keep a dog on a permanent basis. (i.e. zoning).
 - b. The youth does not have the financial ability to buy a dog.
 - c. The youth has a dog, but it is unable to be used (i.e. lameness, pregnancy, too young, etc.).
- II. **RULES FOR LESSORS OF DOGS TO 4-H YOUTH**
- a. The lesser (owner) of the dog relinquishes all rights to train the dog, and the lessee has priority right to show the dog during the term of the lease. Potential lessors should not lease dogs they want to show on a regular basis during the term of the lease.
 - b. The lesser may not take the dog back prior to the end of the lease unless the youth is neglecting or abusing the dog, or the youth agrees to return the dog.
 - c. The lesser should have the youth sign whatever agreements they decide upon in regard to care of the animal, but no agreement will supersede the terms of this contract.
 - d. The lesser will allow the lessee to transport and show the dog in 4-H, open or breed shows.
- III. **RULES FOR THE LESSEES**
- a. The lessee is responsible for the daily care of the animal in whatever manner decided upon by them and the lesser. However, this must include major responsibility and performance by the lessee for this care.
 - b. The lessee will be responsible to write up an agreement in consultation with the lesser to cover who is responsible for expenses of care of the dog, and who is liable in case of injury or death of the animal. Both the lesser and lessee must sign it, and a copy of that agreement be attached to this contract agreement.
 - c. Showing expenses will be the responsibility of the lessee.
 - d. The lessee is responsible to take this completed contract to the County Agent, 4-H by the date required in your county for their approval. (June 1, current year). This date is usually several weeks prior to the date that projects need to be identified, so that there is time to investigate and approve the lease.
 - e. **BY LEASING A DOG OTHER THAN FOR AN ASSISTANCE DOG PROJECT, YOU ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR THE OHIO STATE FAIR. You may show at the Fulton County Fair and win your class, but you are not eligible for high point. You may participate at the Dog Qualifying Show in the county and win your class, but you are not eligible for High Point. You may participate in the County Dog Skillathon and win.**

DESCRIPTION OF DOG: (include color, breed, sex, age, call name)

Youth Signature _____ **Date** _____

Parent Signature _____ **Date** _____

Lesser Signature _____ **Date** _____

<p>Copy of Vet care and vet costs agreement and liability agreement signed and attached? ___ yes or no?</p>
