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Arapahoe County's 4-H Fall Fest full of family fun

Littleton, Colo. --- On Saturday, families enjoyed activities at the Arapahoe County 4-H Fall Fest. Children spent an afternoon getting up close and personal with farm animals and horses, playing chef with culinary activities, and taking notes at the dog obedience workshop.

Montanna, age 8, said she realized 4-H suited her well. "I'm going to join 4-H and do the Horseless Horse project as well as Rocket Science."

On the far side of the building, youth were taking notes at the dog obedience workshop. Brianna, age 9, brought her dog Sheba for the class.

"I'm thinking about doing the Dog project this year so I can spend more time with Sheba and teach her obedience to make her a better dog," said Brianna. "I am also doing cake decorating and thinking about archery."

4-H caters to both urban and rural families and with a plethora of projects to choose from, there's something for everyone. The program's goal is to assist parents in raising children who are healthy, successful adults by partnering with volunteer leaders who organize and conduct hands-on educational experiences.

"4-H creates a supportive environment where youth are able to reach their fullest potential," said Larry Hooker, 4-H Extension Agent. "Whether it's raising animals, clothing design, nutrition or model cars, youth participating in 4-H learn valuable skills such as teamwork, leadership and the value of communication."

For more information about 4-H, call Larry Hooker at 303-738-7940 or visit www.arapahoeextension.org.

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Photo captions:

Brianna&Sheba: Brianna, age 9, and her dog Sheba participate in the 4-H dog obedience workshop.

Jacob&Rocket: Jacob, age 12, shows off his award-winning Rocket project.

Alli&Goat: Alli, age 12, meets a very friendly goat.

Mikayla&Chicken: Mikayla, age 13, invites visitors to learn more about raising poultry.

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