St. Joseph County, MI
Criteria for Awarding A, B, C Rating and Premium Monies in 4-H Dog Classes

1. Class scores have no bearing on the A, B, C rating for Obedience, Agility and Rally.

2. For awarding A, B, or C rating the Judges will be looking for, but not limited to the following:
   a. **Observance of St. Joseph County 4-H Dog Project Dress Code.**
   b. **Attitude** - Body language, facial expressions, interaction with project animal, interaction with judges and other exhibitors.
   c. **Manners** - Courteous, cooperative and attentive
   d. **Effort** - Exhibitor has done his/her best to present his/her project dog and/or Dog Husbandry Notebook to their best advantage.

3. Exhibitors must have an “A” rating in class/classes that he/she showed in to receive an award.

4. In showmanship classes, the trophy is awarded to the first place winner in each showmanship class. Exhibitors in showmanship classes do not receive A, B, C ratings.

5. Premium Money
   a. **Obedience, Agility & Rally** - Premium money is awarded on A, B, C rating. **Note:** Placing ribbons will be awarded instead of A, B, C.
   b. **Showmanship** - Premium money is awarded on your 1st through 8th placing.