

## Department 5 4-H/FFA Horses

### Saddle Horse Show:

Outdoor Horse Arena, Wednesday, October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023, 8:30 a.m.

### Saddle Horse Show:

Outdoor Horse Arena, Thursday, October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023, 10:00 a.m.

Trail will be set up and ready at 10:00 a.m. for exhibitors that are not involved with the band competition.

All exhibitors are expected to be ready no later than 12:00 p.m.

### Saddle Horse Show Contesting Classes:

Outdoor Horse Arena, Friday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023, 1:00 p.m.

*or immediately following the Open Horse Show*

**Superintendents in Charge:** Becky Shonebarger-Bell and Linda Anderson

**Housing Forms:** Junior Fair Exhibitors housing animal(s) in a location other than the property on which they reside must obtain and file a Livestock Housing Form with the **OSU Extension Office**. Deadline for filling out this form is the deadline set forth for possession of the animal. For more specifications, refer to the General Rules.

**Horse ID:** Forms and photo of project horse and back up horse if claimed (showing all distinctive markings, 1 side with exhibitor) must be uploaded to 4-HOnline by June 1<sup>st</sup>. FFA exhibitors should submit Horse ID forms and photo to the OSU Extension Office by via email or hard copy by June 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year. One (1) project horse and one (1) backup horse ID per exhibitor. Link to form: <http://go.osu.edu/fairfieldhorse>

**Health Papers:** Are not required. 4-H exhibitors must upload a negative Coggins test in 4-HOnline with Horse ID paperwork by June 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year. FFA exhibitors should submit documentation for a negative Coggins test to the OSU Extension by June 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year.

**EquiSTEP:** Ohio 4-H's Equine Safety, Training, and Education Program. EquiSTEP is an annual requirement for all Ohio 4-H youth enrolled in a horse project. Fairfield County 4-H and FFA Horse Exhibitors are required to complete EquiSTEP by June 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year with documentation submitted to the OSU Extension Office.

**Horse Lease and Pony Form:** Due June 1<sup>st</sup> to OSU Extension. Link to information and forms: <http://go.osu.edu/fairfieldhorse>

**Horse Permission to Participate Form:** Due for FFA Members by June 1<sup>st</sup> to OSU Extension. Link to form: <http://go.osu.edu/fairfieldhorse>

**Skillathon:** Each exhibitor must participate in a Skillathon. Youth are encouraged to attend the species you are exhibiting. If an exhibitor plans to compete for Horse Premier Exhibitor, they must attend the Horse Skillathon at the Fairfield County Fairgrounds on September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023, to be eligible.

### Project Record Books:

- 4-H and FFA Record Books are required to be COMPLETED for each project.
- 4-H Members should have a NEW 4-H Record Book each year they take the project.
- 4-H and FFA Records Books will be reviewed at Skillathon.
  - For those who forget or don't bring their book – the book will need be completed and turned into the OSU Extension Office by Friday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>.
  - Exhibitors will who do not properly complete a record book for each of their fair projects WILL NOT be allowed to exhibit at the fair. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**
  - No books will be reviewed after September 24<sup>th</sup>.

**Entries:** Fair entries are required by 4-H and FFA exhibitors to be eligible to compete at the Fairfield County Junior Fair. 4-H exhibitors must be enrolled in the corresponding 4-H project by enrollment deadline, April 15<sup>th</sup>. Fair entries will open in early August and close at 11:59 p.m. on Friday, August 25<sup>th</sup>. All entries will be made online in the FairEntry program: [go.osu.edu/fairfieldfaireentry](http://go.osu.edu/fairfieldfaireentry).

**See Horse Special Rule #3: Horse exhibitors must be entered and complete ONE Showmanship Division Class to be eligible to show in Horse Show Division Classes.**

**Entries for the Horse Showmanship Division:** One entry per exhibitor required.

### **Horse Showmanship Classes:**

- For Western Showmanship Horse/Pony Classes: Refer to "General Rule" # 22 in the Uniform Rules for Horse Shows for pony qualification.
- For Hunt Seat Showmanship Horse/Pony Classes: "Saddleseat" entries will be included in Hunt Seat, and the judge will judge accordingly.
- Contest Only: not eligible to ride in any classes other than contest classes. Showmanship inspection will occur before gate entry.

0. Contest Only
1. Novice Showmanship
2. Gaited Showmanship, Horse/Pony (8-13)
3. Gaited Showmanship, Horse/Pony (14 & over)
4. Hunt Seat Showmanship, Horse/Pony (8-11)
5. Hunt Seat Showmanship, Horse/Pony (12-13)
6. Hunt Seat Showmanship, Horse/Pony (14-15)
7. Hunt Seat Showmanship, Horse/Pony (16 & over)
9. Western Showmanship Horse/Pony (8-11)
10. Western Showmanship Horse/Pony (12-13)
11. Western Showmanship Horse/Pony (14-15)
12. Western Showmanship Horse/Pony (16 & over)

**Entries for the Horse Show Division:** In addition to the entries made in the Showmanship Division in FairEntry, each exhibitor must complete additional Horse Show entries online in FairyEntry in the Horse Show Division by the FairEntry deadline.

### **Horse Show Classes (Wednesday):**

14. Hunter Hack
15. Hunt Seat Equitation (8-11)
16. Hunt Seat Equitation (12-13)
17. Hunt Seat Equitation (14-15)
18. Hunt Seat Equitation (16 & over)
20. Hunter Under Saddle, Horse/Pony (8-11)
21. Hunter Under Saddle, Horse/Pony (12-14)
22. Hunter Under Saddle, Horse/Pony (15 & over)
23. Versatility\*

### **Horse Show Classes (Thursday):**

24. Trail (8-13)
25. Trail (14 & over)
26. Walk/Trot Trail (8-10)
27. Walk/Trot Trail (11 & over)
28. Trail in Hand
30. Walk/Trot English/Western Horsemanship (8-10)
31. Walk/Trot English/Western Horsemanship (11 & over)
32. Easy Gaited Equitation (8-13)
33. Easy Gaited Equitation (14 & over)
35. Western Horsemanship, Horse/Pony (8-11)
36. Western Horsemanship, Horse/Pony (12-13)
37. Western Horsemanship, Horse/Pony (14-15)
38. Western Horsemanship, Horse/Pony (16 & over)

### **Horse Show Classes (Thursday, continued):**

40. Ranch Riding (8-11)
41. Ranch Riding (12-14)
42. Ranch Riding (15 & over)
43. Walk/Trot English/Western Pleasure (8-10)
44. Walk/Trot English/Western Pleasure (11 & over)
45. Easy Gaited Pleasure (8-13)
46. Easy Gaited Pleasure (14 & over)
47. Western Pleasure, Horse/Pony (8-11)
48. Western Pleasure, Horse/Pony (12-14)
49. Western Pleasure, Horse/Pony (15 & over)
50. Ranch Pleasure Horse/Pony (8-11)
51. Ranch Pleasure Horse/Pony (12-14)
52. Ranch Pleasure Horse/Pony (15 & over)

### **Horse Show Classes (Friday):**

53. Barrels (8-11)
54. Barrels (12-14)
55. Barrels (15 & over)
56. Walk/Trot Barrels (8-10)
57. Walk/Trot Barrels (11 & over)
58. Poles (8-11)
59. Poles (12-14)
60. Poles (15 & over)
61. Stakes Race (8-11)
62. Stakes Race (12-14)
63. Stakes Race (15 & over)
64. Keyhole Race (8-11)
65. Keyhole Race (12-14)
66. Keyhole Race (15 & over)
67. Ground Roping (All Ages)

**Arrival Time:** Between 8:00 a.m. Saturday and 9:00 a.m. Sunday for horses stalling at the fair. Those not stalling will be trailered in the day of the show (See Horses Special Rule #17 below).

**Release Time:** 1:00 p.m. Saturday. No animals will be released prior to the stated release time without notifying the Horse Superintendent and completed a release form. Forms will be available from the Horse Superintendent. Once an animal is released, it may not return for the duration of the current Fairfield County Junior Fair. Any exhibitor violating this rule will be barred from exhibiting that species at the fair the following year. All animals are to be removed from the fairgrounds by 11:00 p.m. Saturday.

**Premiums:** Project books will be checked during county Skillathon. If an exhibitor does not complete a project book and turn it in at Skillathon, he or she will be ineligible to receive a premium and will not **show** that specie at the county fair for that year. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to complete project books annually for their exhibit.

- Horse Premiums: "A"= \$6.00; "B"= \$5.00; "C"= \$3.00

## **READ THE FAIRFIELD COUNTY JUNIOR FAIR GENERAL RULES AND HEALTH REGULATIONS and UNIFORM RULES FOR 4-H/FFA HORSE SHOWS**

## Horses Special Rules

1. The 2021 'Uniform Rules for the 4-H Horse Shows' (4-H Book 179R) will apply to the Fairfield County Fair Junior Horse Show.
2. The oldest showmanship winner in the showmanship classes or the showmanship championship classes will participate in the Super Showmanship Contest. He or she may compete only once in the Super Showmanship representing horses during their years in 4-H/FFA.
3. Exhibitors must be entered through the online FairEntry program in **the Horse Showmanship Division** in one of the classes listed above.
  - a. Exhibitors entered in Division 1 (Western Showmanship Horse/Pony) or Division 2 (Huntseat Showmanship Horse/Pony) must show in a showmanship class to be eligible to show in any other classes of the current Junior Fair Horse Show. Once an exhibitor entered in Divisions 1 or 2 shows in their showmanship class, they are eligible to show in any classes in the show they meet the requirements for, to include contest classes. If an exhibitor entered in Divisions 1 or 2 fails to show in the appropriate showmanship class, they will be remove/eliminated from all other classes they are entered in.
  - b. Exhibitors entered in Division 3 (Contest Only) are eligible to **ONLY SHOW IN CONTEST CLASSES**, which currently include the following: Barrels, Poles, Stake Race, Keyhole Race. Exhibitors in the Contest Only Division will be graded by the judge during their equipment inspection before entering the show ring.
4. The Western Division Showmanship Championship Class is open to those placing first or second in their age division in Western Showmanship. The English Division Showmanship Championship Class is open to those placing first or second in their age division in English Showmanship. Participants showing in the Novice Showmanship Class or Gaited Showmanship Class may show either English or Western. Their style of showing (English or Western) will determine which championship class they will be eligible to show in.
5. All exhibitors are eligible to compete in ground roping, as this class does not involve the use of a horse. However, the exhibitor must meet the Showmanship or Contest Only division requirements to be eligible.
6. All premiums paid and grades will be given on Showmanship and Contest Only classes.
7. All animals exhibited must have been completely and fully owned (as evidenced by a bill of sale or registration papers) and in the complete and continual care of the exhibitor on or after June 1<sup>st</sup>. Junior Fair Horses may be leased according to rules in the "Uniform Rules for 4-H Horse Shows." Leasing contracts must be on file at the OSU Extension Office by June 1<sup>st</sup> via 4-HOnline.
8. Exhibitors may declare a second animal to be used as a backup animal. A backup animal may be a leased animal. A family may share a backup animal that is owned or leased. However, the leased backup animal may only be declared as a project by one family member. A backup animal would be used only in the case of injury or death to the project animal or other extreme circumstance approved by the 4-H Horse Advisor Committee Officers. Vet documentation is required. The animal must be replaced by the move in day (Sunday, 9:00 a.m.- opening day of the fair) of the Fairfield County Fair. The backup animal must be declared by June 1<sup>st</sup> along with all the required paperwork (same requirements as project horse).
9. Siblings/stepiblings living in the same household may share a horse project. No more than 2 siblings may share a horse. Both siblings must turn in separate Horse Identification Forms. Only one sibling may compete for State Fair Qualification (which is to be identified by June 1<sup>st</sup>). At the county fair, siblings must compete in separate classes. Leased horses may not be shared.
10. Walk/Trot classes are based on the rider's experiences. Walk/Trot classes are for members with limited experience/members with special accommodations needed (accommodations on file at the OSU Extension Office) or members with horses not capable of three gaits. Members entered in Walk/Trot classes are not eligible to show in any other classes that require three gaits. Advisors must sign off for a 4-H/FFA member to participate in these classes.
  - If a 4-H/FFA member is showing a gaited horse enters the walk/trot trail and barrel classes, they may not participate in any other classes that require three gaits. Any 4-H/FFA member showing a gaited horse must choose to show gaited pleasure/equitation or walk/trot pleasure/equitation - they cannot show in both categories.
11. 4-H/FFA members may only use the wash racks at the east end of the L barn (Barn 11) and/or up in the old Maintenance Building (barn 8) above the tie barn (barn 45). If your horse soils the wash racks, it is your responsibility to clean-up after your horse and leave the wash rack clean for the next person.
12. No bedding will be provided for Junior Fair Horse exhibitors. Exhibitors must provide their own sawdust or wood shavings. Upon release on Saturday, Junior Fair Horse stalls must be stripped and cleaned completely. Advisors will walk the stalls before any horse can be taken home.
13. 4-H/FFA horses are not permitted in the Outdoor Arena or the Warm-Up Arena/ area during the Open Draft, Open Mule and Pony, or Open Miniature Horse shows, unless they are entered and showing in one of those specific shows.
14. 4-H / FFA horses must use the designated walkways and roped areas. Horses and child must be accompanied by an adult (immediate family member as defined on page 9 in the general rules) when walking to the Outdoor Arena / Warm Up area. Horses must be led from the barn area and mounted only when they are within the warmup area or inside the Outdoor Arena.
15. 4-H/FFA members must have an adult family member when lunging, riding, or have their horse in the Outdoor Arena or Warm-up arena/area. An adult family member is defined as parent, stepparent, grandparent, step-grandparent, guardian, or sibling over the age of 18.
16. No bareback or double riding permitted. NO riding with halter and lead rope. Horses must be properly tacked. Riding apparel must include long pants, boots with a heel, and ASTM/SEI approved safety headgear.
17. Only declared project horses may participate in or be trailered in the day of the Junior Fair Horse Show or for any 4-H or Junior Fair Horse activity including but not limited to the Fun Speed Show, Exhibition Classes, and Fun Horse Show. **NO HORSES WILL BE LEFT UNATTENDED WHILE TIED TO OR STANDING ON A TRAILER.**
18. Only 4-H/FFA members will ride their project horse during the Fairfield County Fair. Another person may show the project animal in one of the Open Horse Hoses (Open Draft, Open Mule and Pony, Open Miniature Horse, Open Horse and Pony)

If the 4-H/FFA member is showing the same project animal in that show. No one can ride a project animal 30 days prior to PAS shows, State Fair Horse Show, or the Fairfield County Fair for schooling purposes. This is cause for disqualification to the 4-H/FFA member. Refer to Uniform Rules for Horse Shows for specific rule clarification.

19. For safety reasons, 4-H/FFA members may have a parent or advisor help lunge their horse if they are unable to safely do it themselves. The 4-H/FFA member must be present.
20. A 4-H/FFA member attending school or other circumstances that keep them from exercising the animal during the allowed times may have a parent, advisor, or senior 4-H/FFA member walk or lunge their project animal to allow exercise for the animal. The 4-H/FFA MEMBER MUST NOTIFY THEIR ADVISOR OF THIS ARRANGEMENT. This in no way releases the 4-H/FFA member from complying with rule #21 under General Rules in this book and they are expected to be responsible for the exercising at all other times.
21. There will be no additions to the entries for either day of showing after 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday of fair week. Anyone choosing to scratch a class prior to the show start must inform the Superintendent. Scratches made during the show must be done at the announcers stand. All scratches are final.
22. The number of stalls for each 4-H Club/FFA Chapter must be declared no later than September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023, to allow any adjustments that might be needed for tack stalls/tack trailers.
23. Back numbers are required to be worn on exhibitor's back or on both sides of the horse when participating in any Junior Fair Horse Show, schooling clinics, exhibition classes or "fun" shows. Number must be LEGIBLE, BLACK, and BOLD NUMBERS and preferably waterproofed.
24. The Junior Fair Horse Department will expect courteous and orderly conduct by the exhibitor and their attendants (parents or person responsible for exhibitor). Harassment, profanity, or unsportsmanlike conduct towards fair officials, judges, fair managers, 4-H/FFA advisors, 4-H educators, Show Superintendents, show helpers or fellow exhibitors or attendances (parents or person responsible for exhibitor) will not be tolerated. Any violations of this rule would warrant withholding of any premiums won and eviction from the Fairfield County Fair. If any of the above occurs, the first violation the show superintendent will discuss with the 4-H/FFA advisors. The second violation the show superintendent will discuss with the 4-H/FFA advisor present with the exhibitor, along with the attendants (parents or person responsible for the exhibitor) and the Junior Fair Director. Third violation would result in eviction.

### **Junior Fair Horse Show High Point Guidelines**

- All entrants in the Junior Fair Horse Show will be eligible for the High Point Award, except for those entered in the contest only division. The goal of the High Point Award is to encourage and reward versatility in our exhibitors and their horses. Points will be awarded by the placings in all classes except championship classes and the versatility class, according to the point scale below.
- Points will be recorded and calculated, and the High Point Winner will be announced after the close of the Junior Fair Horse Show. In the event of a tie for the High Point Winner, the tie will be broken by the highest placing exhibitor in showmanship. If that fails to break the tie, the flip of a coin will be used.

#### Placing Points Awarded

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: 6 Points
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: 5 Points
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: 4 Points
- 4<sup>th</sup> Place: 3 Points
- 5<sup>th</sup> Place: 2 Points
- 6<sup>th</sup> Place: 1 Point