



YL-J - 4-H HORSE AND PONY DEPARTMENT

Superintendents: Carly Benitez and Diana Cullum

English & Western Show - Thursday, August 11th - 8:00 A.M.
Show Secretary Desk will open at 7:00 A.M.

Awards sponsored by: In Memory of Amelia Dashiell, Boarman's Meat Market, Dayton 4-H Club, Fox Run Farm, Heather Manges, Mrs. Karen Streaker, Patricia Martin and The Willie Family.

Premiums: *Money Classes 12.00 11.00 10.00 9.00 8.00 7.00 – 10th place
*Money Classes payable by check the last night of the fair

This show is open to Howard County 4-H members ONLY. 4-H'ers must show their own project animals and must have them registered on the Horse & Pony Project Registration Form by June 1, 2022 with the Howard County 4-H Office

Entries are due to the 4-H Office no later than July 1, 2022. All entries are to be done online at www.howard4-h.org

GENERAL RULES

1. This show will be conducted according to the current 4-H Horse & Pony Rule Book with certain modifications.
2. Showing is by Pre-entry only. Exhibitors are limited to no more than two (2) animals. **Grooming and Showmanship is mandatory for ALL exhibitors showing in Divisions 2 and 3. It is NOT mandatory for exhibitors showing in Divisions 4 & 5 only.** Speed classes may be entered in addition to the performance classes. **You MAY NOT add classes show day!** You must inform the Show Secretary, prior to the class, if dropping classes show day.
3. A current Coggins Test (read within 12 months of the show day) **MUST** accompany your animal to the show and be brought to the secretary's booth at check-in. In addition, a copy should be on file with the 4-H office.

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4. All 4-H exhibitors must have certified completion of Maryland 4-H Equine Showmanship and Equitation Standards Tier 1, Tier 2 and Tier 3 for Divisions 1, 2, 3, & 5. Tier 3 is required for Division 4. These must be done by July 15, 2022 with the 4-H Office to exhibit at the fair.
5. The show steward may eliminate any entry in any class in which they feel the child lacks sufficient skill or the animal lacks appropriate training for safe participation. The show staff may require the addition of a red ribbon to the tail of an animal that kicks in or out of the ring.
6. Stallions or incompletely castrated animals more than one (1) year of age are prohibited.
7. Properly fitted show attire is required in **ALL** classes. ASTM and SEI approved helmets are required and must be buckled when mounted. Divisions 4 and 5 require safe riding attire including boots with a heel, long pants, a shirt with sleeves, and helmet. Unsafe attire or behavior will not be tolerated and show officials can and will require any unsafe persons to leave the show grounds. Safety of horse, riders and spectators is our primary focus. The official Show Steward has the right to enforce any safety issue whether it is addressed in the book or not.
8. Points will be determined by the number of entries that compete in each class as determined below:

Exhibitors	1-2	3-8	9-15	16-25
1 st place	10	15	20	25
2 nd place	5	10	15	20
3 rd place	X	5	10	15
4 th place	X	4	5	10
5 th place	X	3	4	5
6 th place	X	2	3	4

9. Grand Champion points will be totaled from the following classes only: Grooming and Showmanship, and six (6) Performance Classes. Grooming and Showmanship points will be used as the first tie breaker for Grand Champion.
10. The Show Committee reserves the right to drop or combine classes with low entry. Classes may be split due to number but **will not** be double pinned. Judge to determine the top six.
11. Animals that are not entered in the show are not permitted on the grounds.
12. There will be **NO COACHING** or **SCHOOLING** of **ANY KIND** of a 4-H member while they are in a class. Verbal schooling is permitted in the schooling area **ONLY**. Adults may not ride or school an animal at the show; only the exhibitor may school their animal. Those exhibitors experiencing a problem should contact the Show Steward. This is grounds for elimination and dismissal from the show and grounds.

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13. Substitution of another 4-H project animal registered to the 4-H'er is allowed **ONLY** if the entered animal is sick or lame. A veterinarian's statement is required. Non-registered project animals or animals registered to another 4-H'er **MAY NOT** be substituted.
14. Parents/guardians of 4-H'ers riding in the 4-H Horse & Pony Show will be required to work a minimum of one (1) hour on show day. We have MANY jobs and welcome your help and participation.
15. Animals **MAY NOT** be tied to the show ring fences. Violators will be excused from the show. This is a safety issue!
16. Grooming and showmanship regulations and attire will be as outlined in 4-H 266. Grooming and Showmanship will be judged as follows: Grooming (25), Showmanship (50), Knowledge (15), and Personal Appearance (10). Grooming is to be done outside the ring by the exhibitor prior to the start of the class.
17. For Command classes, a command should be executed within three (3) strides. When asked to reverse, the horse shall maintain the current gait. When asked to back, the horse shall continue until told to stop (halt). When asked to reverse at the canter (lope) the horse shall change lead unless otherwise specified.
18. The **4-H Code of Conduct** is in effect for this show and 4-H'ers and parents are expected and required to be on their best behavior. We are in a public arena and your behavior represents the Howard County 4-H Program and influences the public's view of 4-H in a positive or negative manner depending on how you act.
19. Show classes as listed represent the 2022 Howard County Fair 4-H Horse and Pony Show and are subject to review for the 2023 4-H Horse and Pony Show.
20. Show classes may not necessarily run in numerical order.
21. Protective boots or leg wraps are prohibited in all performance classes. Protective boots or leg wraps are allowed in Division 4 and 5. Martingales are prohibited in all under saddle classes.
22. When in Western tack, horses 5 years old and younger may be shown in a snaffle bit, hackamore, curb bit, half breed or spade bit. Horses 6 years and older may only be shown in a curb bit, half breed or spade bit. Split reins or normal reins must be used on a curb bit except in speed events.

DIVISION 01 – GROOMING AND SHOWMANSHIP – Mandatory for performance classes

To be judged on the condition and cleanliness of the horse and rider and the ability to show in hand. Conformation is not to be considered. Age as of Jan 1, 2022

- *1. Grooming and Showmanship - Age 8-13 – Junior/Intermediate
- *2. Grooming and Showmanship - Age –14-18 - Senior
3. Award Class for Fair Use Only - Grooming and Showmanship Champion
4. Award Class for Fair Use Only – Grooming and Showmanship Reserve Champion

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DIVISION 02 – OPEN (Both English and Western) PLEASURE

Judged on performance of the animal with emphasis on manners. Animal should stand quietly and back easily. The horse's head should be carried in a natural position consistent with its breed standard.

- *5. Open Pleasure Under Saddle Walk/Trot or Walk/Jog
- *6. Open Pleasure Under Saddle Walk/Trot/Canter or Walk/Jog/Lope
- *7. Open Pleasure Command
- 8. Award Class for Fair Use Only – Open Pleasure Champion
- 9. Award Class for Fair Use Only – Open Pleasure Reserve Champion

DIVISION 03 – EQUITATION

The rider (not the horse) will be judged on hands, seat, balance, control, suitability, and general performance. Reins should be held in accordance with rules governing equipment used/age of horse. Riders will work both ways of the ring. The rider will be asked to back their horse.

- *10. Open Equitation Horsemanship Walk/Trot or Walk/Jog
- *11. Open Equitation Horsemanship Walk/Trot/Canter or Walk/Jog/Lope
- *12. Hunt Seat Equitation/Horsemanship Stock Seat (rail and individual pattern)
- 13. Award Class for Fair Use Only – Champion
- 14. Award Class for Fair Use Only – Reserve Champion

DIVISION 04 – SPEED

Speed classes will not count toward overall points. They will be timed events open to all 4-H riders ages 8-18 as of January 1, 2022. All classes can be done at any gait.

- *15. Pole Bending – Open
- *16. Barrel Race – Open
- *17. Keyhole Race – Open

DIVISION 05 – GAMES

Games – Game classes will not count toward overall points.

- *18. Clothing Race
- *19. Feed Bucket
- *20. Water Command

DIVISION 06 - GRAND CHAMPIONSHIP

Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Rider will be announced at the show. Points accumulated by an individual horse/pony and rider combination.

- 21. Grand Champion Rider of the Day
- 22. Reserve Grand Champion Rider of the Day
- 23. Sportsmanship Award - Amelia Dashiell Award