

YOUTH (4-H/GRANGE) & FFA HORSES

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- **Before entering**, please refer to General Information for Youth (4-H/Grange) & FFA Livestock Departments, Livestock Rules and Regulations. Please see Registration Dates and Entry Days for those times and locations.
- **Stalls:** All clubs must turn in a request for the number of stalls required for Fair. This request must be submitted in writing to Sue Duffy (contact information listed above) by July 15. Do not include tack rooms, hay storage or changing rooms in this request. Each club **MUST** attend the mandatory meeting at 7 p.m. Tue., Aug. 15 at the Benton Franklin Fair Horse Area to receive stall assignment. Clubs may be asked to help with maintenance or decorating projects that need to be completed before Fair starts.
- There will be a mandatory exhibitor/leader meeting at 7 p.m. Mon., Aug. 21, at the Youth (4-H/Grange) horse arena bleachers. Club packets will be handed out to the leaders and pertinent information will be discussed. Please bring a list of no-shows and cancellations.
- A current copy of the signed and dated horse certificate **MUST** be on file with 4-H & Grange.
- Grange and FFA exhibitors and leaders to contact Sue Duffy no later than July 15 to obtain a copy of the most current horse department manual.

Rules

1. Exhibitors may show more than one horse per category:
 - a. Performance
 - b. Gaming
 - c. Driving
 - d. Dressage
 - e. Green Horse
 - f. Small Equine
2. Additional horses will be limited by availability of stalls, which will be reviewed annually. Exhibitor horses only in barns (must be entered in classes). No companion animals.
3. Multiple horses shown in a category will impact high point standings as high point is calculated based on exhibitor/equine combinations.

4. Each horse must be shown in showmanship.
5. Exhibitors must be enrolled in either Horsemanship or Horseless horse to be eligible to participate in the categories listed in rule #12. FFA members must be enrolled in the appropriate project in the school year prior to showing.
6. Horses may be ridden in the show arena and practice arena only.
7. Horses must be led at a walk-in other areas of the fairgrounds and in the barn area. Violation of this rule may result in forfeiture of all or a portion of the exhibitor's premiums (see rule # 9).
8. Every exhibitor must participate in Herdsmanship and Showmanship (if entered in riding class) to be eligible for any premium points.
9. All horses must be fitted, handled, and ridden by Youth (4-H/Grange) or FFA members only. Violation of this rule may result in forfeiture of the exhibitor's premiums.
10. Coaching of exhibitors in the ring by trainers, parents, etc., will result in the exhibitor also being disqualified. This includes the Western Gaming classes. Violation of this rule may result in forfeiture of the exhibitor's premiums.
11. High-point awards for each age division in Performance and Gaming are based on points accumulated in:
 - a. Showmanship
 - b. Performance Divisions or Gaming Divisions
To be eligible for High-Point awards, the member must participate in the Horse Judging Contest. A completed and scored judging card must be on file in the Horse Department Office.
12. Only Intermediate and Senior 4-H members can qualify for 4-H State Fair. Eligibility is based on:
 - a. Showmanship: To be eligible for State Fair, you must show the same animal on which you qualify for 4-H State Fair. This may mean entering showmanship with more than one horse. However, exhibitors will be paid for only one class.
 - b. Performance, Driving, Western Games events, or Dressage. To be eligible for State Fair, you must exhibit the animal on which you qualify for 4-H State Fair in showmanship.
13. The points earned for the High Point Awards and State Fair qualifications will be tallied and posted during the 2023 Fair each day. It is the responsibility of the exhibitors to check the point tally and address any point discrepancies with the superintendent no later than Noon. Sat., Aug. 26. ***Once the High Point and State Fair qualifiers have been announced and the awards presented, no changes will be made.***

Herdsmanship

1. All Youth (4-H/Grange) and FFA clubs will be judged on herdsmanship:
 - a. Exhibitors must keep their animals, barn area, and grooming area clean or premium monies will be forfeited.
 - b. Judging will take place twice daily between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and once between 8 a.m. and noon on Saturday.

- c. The clubs that placed 1st, 2nd and 3rd in the 2022 Fair Large and Small group Herdsmanship will have first choice in stall assignments for 2023 as long as the club is in good standing with the 4-H Horse Committee and the Benton Franklin 4-H Council. In the event the same set of stalls are chosen by multiple clubs, the order of preference will be:

Large - 1st place	Small - 1st place
Large - 2nd place	Small - 2nd place
Large - 3rd place	Small - 3rd place

FITTING AND SHOWING PREMIUM POINTS				
GRAND CHAMPION	RESERVE CHAMPION	BLUE	RED	WHITE
100	75	30	22	15

Be sure to enter showmanship when you submit your Fair entry, or it will be rejected. Grand Champion Showmanship exhibitors will compete in the Round Robin event on Thursday.

DIVISION

A. Showmanship



CLASS



1. Junior (8–10 as of 10/01/22)
2. Intermediate (11–13 as of 10/01/22)
3. Senior (14–less than 19 as of 10/01/22)
4. FFA (must have been enrolled in project year prior to Fair)

PERFORMANCE HORSE PREMIUM POINTS		
BLUE	RED	WHITE
40	22	15

- Refer to the 4-H publication PNW574 “4-H Horse Contest Guide.” All rules apply.
- No cross-entry between Walk/Trot divisions and any other riding divisions (includes Performance, Trail and Gaming).

DIVISION

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| B. Bareback Equitation | C. Disciplined Rail |
| D. Dressage | E. Western Dressage |
| F. Dressage Seat Equitation | G. Hunter Hack |
| H. Hunt Seat Equitation | I. Precision Driving (Carting) |
| J. Reinsmanship (Carting) | K. Saddle Seat Equitation |
| L. Stock Seat Equitation | M. Trail |
| N. Small Equine in Hand Hunter | O. Small Equine Obstacles In Hand |
| P. Reining | |

BEGINNERS ONLY

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| Q. Walk/Trot Hunt Seat Equitation | R. Walk/Trot Stock Seat Equitation |
| S. Walk/Trot Trail | T. Walk-Trot Dressage |

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WESTERN GAMING PREMIUM POINTS		
BLUE	RED	WHITE
30	22	15

Refer to the 4-H publication PNW574 “4-H Horse Contest Guide.” All rules apply.

DIVISION

- U. Flags V. Idaho Figure 8 W. International Flags
X. Key Race Y. Pole Bending Z. Texas Barrels

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PRODUCTION-GREEN HORSE -MARE-FOAL PREMIUM POINTS		
BLUE	RED	WHITE
30	22	15

- Exhibitors must be Intermediate or Senior age level. Refer to the 4-H publication PNW574 “4-H Horse Contest Guide” under the section “Training Horses: Yearling to Five-Year-Old.” All rules apply.
- Green horses must be 5 years old or under as of Jan. 1, 2023.
- There will be no cross-entry between Green Horse classes and any other Riding class for safety reasons.
- Production horses:
 - a. Only stallions of the current year (2023) may be shown.
 - b. Foals born in current year (2023).
 - c. Yearlings (fillies & geldings) born in (2022).

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- AA. Foals born in 2023 BB. Yearlings born in 2022 (geldings/fillies only)
CC. Green Horse Showmanship DD. Green Horse Under Saddle

CLASS

No Juniors – see rule 9.

- 2. Intermediate (11–13 as of 10/01/22)
- 3. Senior (14–less than 19 as of 10/01/22)
- 4. FFA (must have been enrolled in project year prior to Fair)

CONTEST PREMIUM POINTS		
BLUE	RED	WHITE
30	22	15

14. Groom Squad Contest

- a. Names of the Groom Squad team members must be submitted no later than Aug. 19 to Sue Duffy.
- b. Groom Squad teams consist of three or four members. Teams may not have more than three senior or FFA members per team.
- c. An individual who wishes to compete but does not have a team may submit a request to the coordinator to be placed with other individuals.
- d. Substitution requests may be made to the coordinator for consideration prior to Mon., Aug. 21.
- e. The team member that is taking the written test must be present at the 4-H Horse Department Office at 6 p.m. on Mon., Aug. 21, to take the test.

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- EE. Horse Judging Contest
- GG. Horse Bowl Contest
- FF. Groom Squad (See rules above)

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CLOVERBUD ACTIVITIES

Contact the superintendent for dates and times for activities. Note: no horses will be used in these activities.

DIVISION

HH. Cloverbud – Ribbon Only



CLASS



1. Encourage participation in events managed by others:
 - A. Public Presentation
 - B. Informational Poster
2. Encourage participating in events managed by horse department, open to all age groups:
 - A. Horse Bowl
 - B. Horse Judging
3. Horse department events for Cloverbud only:
 - A. Stick (hobby) horse rail class with a pattern
 - B. Stick (hobby) horse barrel class