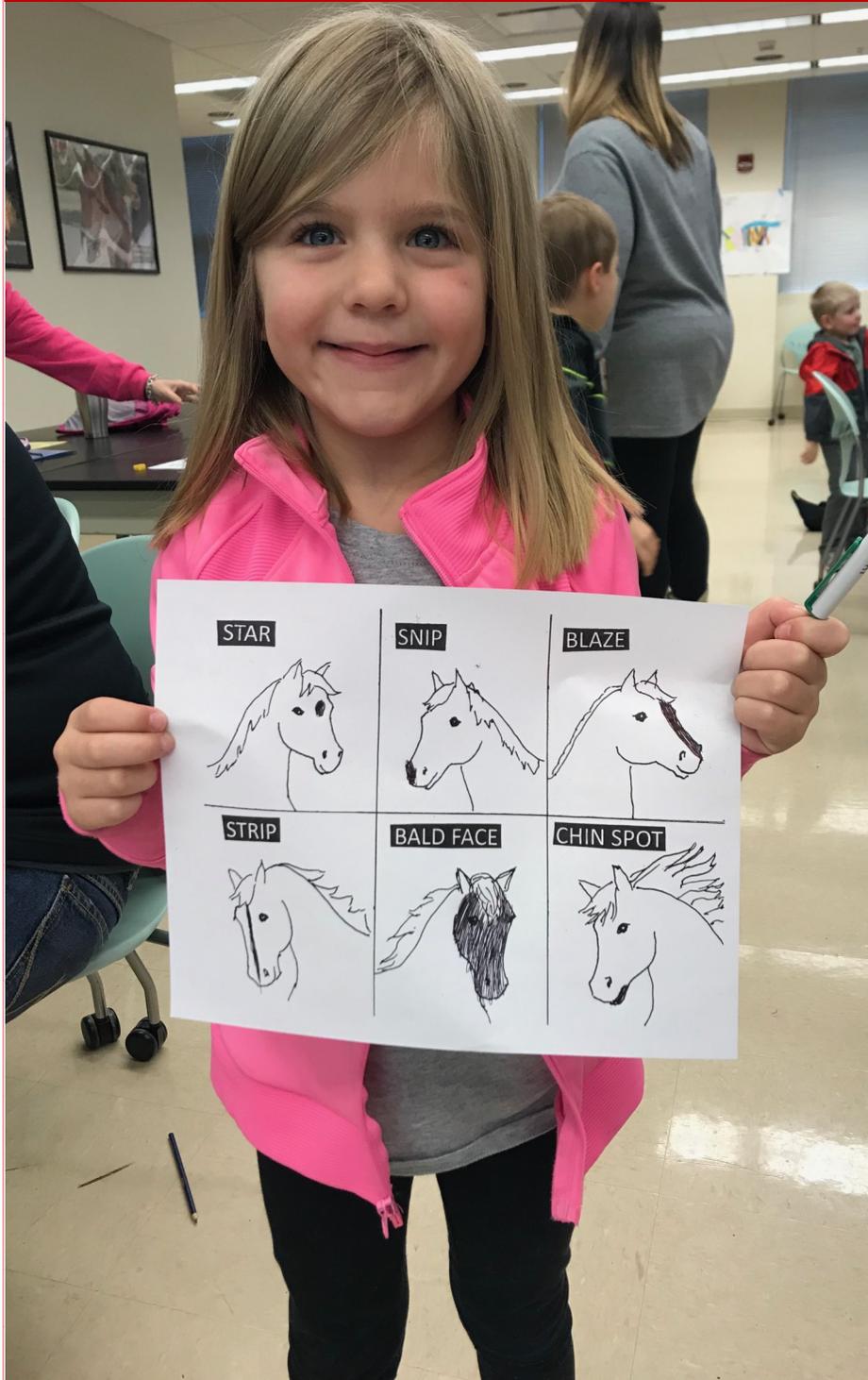


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Upcoming Events

Mar 1	State Portfolios and Project Records Due
Mar 9	State Horse Bowl & Hippology
April 6-11	National 4-H Conference
April 13	NC State 4-h & FFA Horse Judging Contest
April 20-21	Holiday Spring Classic Horse Show
May 1	Artistic Expression & Creative Writing entries due
May 4-5	West, East, South Qualifying District Horse Show
May 18-19	North Qualifying District Horse Show

[2019 Calendar Events](#)

Starting the New Year Right!

2019 Rules and Regulations Manual

The [NC 4-H Horse Program Rules and Regulations Manual](#) has been updated and reflects all the new rules and updates for the 2019 season. If you plan to show or enter any educational contests, please be sure to review all the rules for your particular division or contest. Rule changes and additions are highlighted yellow for your convenience. The hunter division of the state and qualifying shows has undergone significant revision. [Read a summary](#) of these changes.

The state Hippology and Horse Judging contests have a new Rookie Division for first-time competitors. [Read a summary description](#) of these new divisions.

2019 NC 4-H Horse Program Eligibility Card Procedure

Blank eligibility cards will no longer be available. Please follow the below steps to request an eligibility card for any 4-Her wishing to show a project animal at a qualifying horse show.

1. Any 4-Her (or parent) wishing to exhibit a project animal at a qualifying horse show must submit an Eligibility Card Request Form. This is a form to be completed online that will ask for the same information that is generally on an eligibility card (horse and rider info, division, etc.) and will not require any signatures yet. The pony measurement section will be completed by a certified measurer at the qualifying show.
2. A 4-H'er must declare which qualifying show they intend to show at on this electronic form. This qualifying show cannot be changed once completed unless there is a unique circumstance that the Advisory Council Executive Committee chooses to allow. This year's shows are as follows:
 - May 5 - West (WNC Ag Center, Fletcher)
 - May 4-5 - East (Gov. Martin Ag Center, Williamston)
 - May 4-5 - South (Lake Waccamaw)
 - May 18-19- North (Gov. Hunt Horse Complex, Raleigh)
3. After this form is completed, an eligibility card will be generated by the State Office and will be sent to your county agent for review.
4. County agents will print the completed cards and arrange distribution to the leaders of the youth that have met county requirements for eligibility.
5. Once the printed card is in the possession of the 4-Her/leader, they are responsible for making sure that the card is signed by the parent/guardian, volunteer leader, and extension agent in order for the card to be valid.

[2019 NC 4-H Horse Program Eligibility Card Request Form](#)

PLEASE NOTE: There is not a specific deadline for completion of the request form. However, youth need to be sure to have all paperwork (including eligibility cards) completed in time to meet entry deadlines for their selected qualifying show.

Horse Bowl & Hippology

Teams across the state competed in District Horse Bowl contests throughout January and February to earn a spot to compete in the State Horse Bowl contest on March 9th at NC State University. The qualifying teams are as follows:

Junior	Senior	Mixed
Johnston	Johnston- Noblin	Duplin-McCoy
Duplin	Johnston-McAlinn	Henderson-Cantrell
Union B	Union B	Cabarrus
Cumberland	Moore	Gaston A
Alamance	Alamance	Alamance
Chatham	Chatham	Alleghany
Wake-Bishop	Wake-Morgan	Currituck
Wake-Newton	Pitt	Wake
Burke-Purple	Rutherford	Caldwell
Burke-Yellow	Burke	Jackson
Moore	Cumberland	Lenoir
Wake-Lane	Wake-Tipton	Wilson

Teams that qualified for the State Horse Bowl Contest must register online by February 20.

[2019 Horse Bowl Contest Registration Form](#)

[Contest Information Page](#)

2019 NC State 4-H Hippology Contest

March 9, 2019– Held in conjunction with the state Horse Bowl Contest at NCSU in Riddick Hall.

Each county is eligible to enter any number of Junior or Senior teams of four members in the state contest. The total individual scores for the three high team members will constitute the team score and be used in determining team awards. Individual entries will be accepted. All participants in the contest will be eligible for individual awards or recognition.

Cloverbud members (ages 5-7) will be able to compete in a special Cloverbud division. This will be a non-competitive event and all participants will receive recognition of participation. There is no cost to enter, but youth must be pre-registered on the contest entry form.

New for 2019 Rookie Division for Senior & Junior Individuals that are competing in Hippology for the first time!**

Hotel Information:

Holiday Inn & Suites : Raleigh-Cary (I-40 @Walnut St)
5630 Dillard Drive,
Cary, North Carolina 27518
[Link to book rooms online.](#)

[2019 NC State Hippology Contest Online Entry Form](#) (must be completed by 2/20/19)

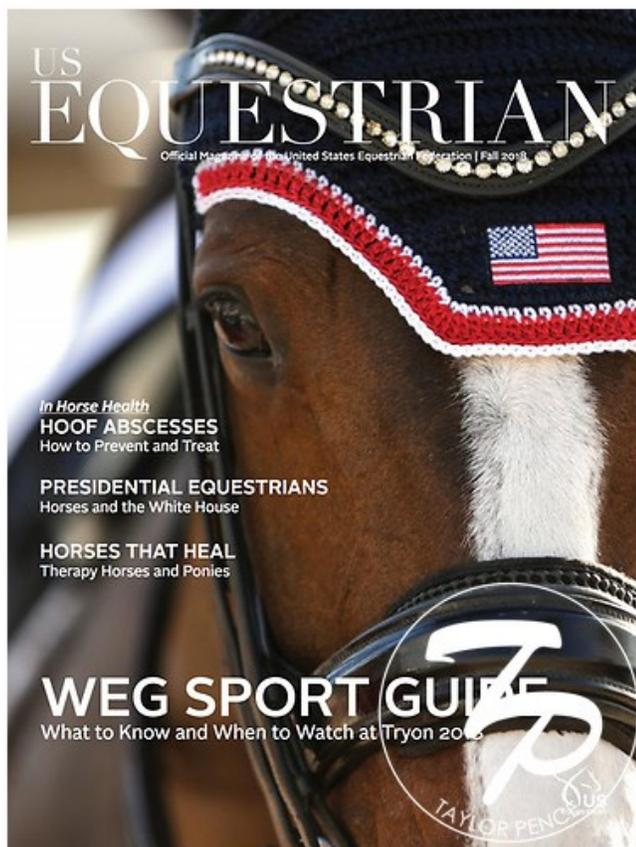
[2019 Horse Bowl & Hippology Contest Schedule](#)

For more information, please visit [Hippology Contest](#)

4-H Spotlight: Taylor Pence

Former East-Equine-Explorers 4-H'er led by Dr. Ann Furr of Rowan County, Taylor Pence is a 23 year-old freelance editorial and sports photographer based in Lexington, Kentucky. Taylor currently serves as the Social Content Producer at US Equestrian after receiving a Bachelor of Science in Business Marketing from the University of Kentucky with a concentration in Digital Media.

Taylor's work has been featured in Noelle Floyd, Horse Network, Chronicle of the Horse, Sidelines, Young Rider, Jumper Nation, Warmblood's Today, US Equestrian magazine, and World of Show Jumping.



In 2015, Taylor was a top 20 finalist in the William Randolph Hearst Photojournalism Award program and has since won numerous awards from the Kentucky Press Association and the Kentucky News Photographers Association. Last year, Taylor was selected as a **Student Travel Award Winner** by the American Horse Publications.



Photo by Michael Reaves

“During my time I was surrounded by like minded kids my age from all different walks of life and riding backgrounds. I actively participated in mounted and unmounted meetings learning about riding and basic horse care and a lot about different breeds and disciplines along the way. I attended many local shows and 4-H State Championships multiple years to compete in the hunters and dressage. Fast forward to today where I have since graduated and work at US Equestrian full-time as their Social Content Producer. My job is to manage all of our many social media accounts and ambassador program. A big part of that job is photography, a passion I have had since I was very little. In the past few years I have traveled around the country covering many equestrian events from USEF National Championships to the FEI World Equestrian Games. A huge initiative of US Equestrian is growing the grassroots and bringing exposure to our 29 recognized breeds and disciplines. My time in 4-H not only taught me about many of the breeds and disciplines I am exposed to at my job but has given me a great understanding of the sport at the grassroots level. I feel so fortunate to have grown up in an atmosphere that encouraged me to pursue my passion as my career. It's programs like 4-H that helped steer me in the right direction and gave me the knowledge to succeed!”

Visit [Taylor Pence Photography](http://TaylorPencePhotography.com) to her work.

Right Lead

4-H Horsemanship Camp

Registration is now open for the 2019 Horsemanship Camp held June 9-14 at Millstone 4-H Camp in Ellerbe, NC!

Improve your horsemanship skills while having fun with other 4-H'ers. A highly qualified camp staff will introduce the beginning rider to the basics of horsemanship while advanced riders can learn new and better horsemanship skills and showing techniques. Special features of the camp include educational lectures, riding lessons, showmanship, judging contests, trail rides and training demonstrations. Instruction will be given in hunt seat, western and gaming styles, with additional instruction in dressage, non-trotting or eventing if enough interest exists.

[Horsemanship Camp Registration](#) Link

[Horsemanship Camp Information Page & Forms](#)

If you are a 4-H'er 14 years or older and have attended camp once, you can apply to be a junior leader! Junior leader applications are now open and can be found with the following link: [Junior Leader Information](#)



2019 NC State 4-H & FFA Horse Judging Contest



New for 2019- Senior and Junior Rookie individual division for first time competitors!

April 13, 2019 at Martin Community College in Williamston, NC

The Horse Judging Contest is designed to teach participants good conformation (structural correctness, balance, and musculing), breed character, and performance ideals in different breeds of horses. Additionally, the Horse Judging contest will teach participants how to evaluate horses based on knowledge and fact, make a decision, and defend it. The Contest will teach participants horsemanship terms that can be used in a logical, systematic way to defend placings and will help participants gain confidence in their ability and use of the English language by giving oral reasons to a judge while learning to speak clearly, decisively, and convincingly through the use of oral reasons.

The entry form is now available so mark your calendars! All entries are due April 2.

[2019 NC State 4-H Horse Judging Contest Entry Form](#)

For more information about eligibility, tentative schedule, hotel accommodations, etc., please visit [Horse Judging Contest](#)

Over Herd

Extended Equine Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (EECVI) Program

Attention horse owners! The NC Equine Event Passport Program (through the NCDA&CS) will be discontinued as of Dec 31, 2019. It will be replaced by the Extended Equine Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (EECVI) Program. This is essentially a 6 month health certificate that is recognized by 35 states and is an ideal program for those who have horses travelling/competing frequently.

THIS IS NOT REQUIRED FOR THE STATE 4-H HORSE SHOW. However, if you travel out of the state (for Southern Regionals) you will want to check this out.

To find out more information, please check out the FAQ tabs on the website at <https://www.ncagr.gov/vet/Livestock/eecvi.htm>



National Pet Dental Month

February is National Pet Dental Month, and to help educate owners about their horses' oral health, The Horse has partnered with ADM Animal Nutrition for Equine Dental Awareness Month. Look for dental health content all month long on TheHorse.com.



NCSU College of Veterinary Medicine Open House

March 30, 2019 from 9am-3pm

Go behind the scenes at the NC State College of Veterinary Medicine and NC State Veterinary Hospital during their annual open house. Educational and entertaining, their Open House includes hospital tours, visits with animals of all shapes and sizes, exhibits on veterinary medicine and animal care from our students, faculty and staff, and much more.

The event is free and registration is not required. For a schedule and more information, go to:

[CVM Open House Information](#)

A Bit More



SmartPak Horse Health Challenge

In honor of their 20th anniversary, SmartPak's Horse Health Challenge features 20 easy ways you can change your horse's world for the better. This is a great source for some extra activities for your 4-H club or some brief quizzes to sharpen up skills for Horsebowl and Hippology!

Step 1: Take the challenges

Step 2: Beat the quizzes

Step 3: Unlock exclusive offers

Step 4: enter for the chance to win a **\$2,000 prize package**

To take the challenge, please visit [Horse Health challenge](#)

The Judge's Card

Ever wondered how a **reining** pattern is judged? This is a great video to share about reining classes. An awesome resource for an introduction for a judging team or for riders that want to show in this event.

Please visit <https://www.facebook.com/nrhareining/videos/283609712324778/> to watch the video.

Please visit www.nrha.com for more information about reining, judging, and events.



Meet the **American Saddlebred!**

Watch this great video that provides a nice introduction of the Saddlebred breed.

Please visit <https://www.facebook.com/discoverthehorse/videos/2277579155804597/?t=36> to watch the video.



UK Hippology Resource Tool

The Horse Discovery site has the resources you need to complete this short course about horses. There are eight sections in the course: Breeds, Forages, Bits, Equipment, Parasites, Horseshoes, Horse Selection, Materials.

To access this page, please visit [Horse Discovery](#)



E-Updates!

The NC 4-H Horse Program is now on Constant Contact. To receive newsletters and other updates via email, please complete the form linked here:

[NC 4-H Horse Program Contact Sign Up](#)

You can unsubscribe at any time by clicking the link that will appear at the bottom of the email messages. You can also join via your phone by using the text code below.

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