

## MEMORANDUM

To: 4-H Agents with Horse Program Responsibilities  
From: Lori Stroud, Extension Assistant  
Cc: NC 4-H Horse Advisory Council  
Date: November 22, 2019  
Re: 2020 NC 4-H Horse Bowl Contest Questions

Hello everyone! 2019 is quickly coming to an end and 2020 is almost here, which means that Horse Bowl and Hippology contests are right around the corner. Please forward the following NC State 4-H Horse Program information to your 4-H Volunteer Leaders, 4-H'ers and parents.

2020 NC State 4-H Horse Bowl Contest: Each **county** will need to submit **40** questions to EHH (lstroud@ncsu.edu) via the attached Excel template. The template has been revised from previous years and includes an updated drop-down selection for source titles. Questions are to be from the current reference list and must be e-mailed to Lori Stroud by Monday, January 2, 2020 in order for your county to compete at their district contest. **Questions should come from the official sources only and must include the reference and page number.** Each question's reference must be documented correctly or additional questions will be required for resubmittal. The current references are listed on the [EHH webpage](#).

Specific references are to be used for questions at the district and state level for the Junior, Mixed and Senior Horse Bowl Divisions. Please note the questions submitted should be from as many of our listed resources as possible. In addition, questions submitted should be written for the Junior Division (using Junior Resources) and for the Mixed and Senior Division (using Mixed and Senior Resources). Also, make note of those reference changes when studying old questions.

**Please do NOT reuse and resubmit questions from previous years. Questions for both the District and State contests are pulled from submitted questions.** Also, please try to make your questions innovative, interesting and your answers accurate and complete. Please don't merely repeat questions word for word directly from the references! Try to put the "keyword or phrase" of the question towards the end, and do not make questions true/false or multiple choice. PLEASE REMEMBER: *The Horse* by Evans is no longer a source, effective 2019. **In addition, Senior and Mixed competitors, *Equine Science* by Parker, 5<sup>th</sup> edition has been retracted as a source and will not be used.** Please take a few minutes to read through the information found on this page: [Preparing Teams for Horsebowl Competitions](#). This page also contains hyperlinks to this memo, the source list and the Excel spreadsheet file.

**Categories from which questions should be written and submitted:**

1. Anatomy
2. Physiology and reproduction
3. Breeds and breed organizations
4. Psychology, training, and vices
5. Diseases and unsoundness
6. Parasites
7. Genetics
8. Tack and equipment
9. History and evolution
10. Trivia (limited to a maximum of two questions per round)
11. Nutrition
12. Judging and conformation
13. Showing, show procedures, and other mounted activities

**Required reference books for questions:**

**Use the abbreviation for the reference given to identify each question's source.** Please use the list below for official reference abbreviations. These abbreviations are also found on our Educational Materials webpage.

**Abbreviations to use in the Source Column**

**SENIOR & MIXED DIVISION SOURCES:**

**NEWHOR** - *Illustrated Dictionary of Equine Terms*

**KAINER** - *The Coloring Atlas of Horse Anatomy*

**AYHC HIH** - *Horse Industry Handbook* – by the American Youth Horse Council

**AYHC HS**- *Horse Smarts* – by the American Youth Horse Council

**LEWIS 2nd** - *Feeding and Care of the Horse (2nd Edition)*

**GRIFFITHS** - *Equine Science: Basic Knowledge for Horse People of All Ages*

**JUNIOR DIVISION SOURCES:**

**4-HR&R**- *North Carolina 4-H Horse Program Rules & Regulations Manual*

**4-HJM**- *North Carolina 4-H Horse Program Introductory Horse Judging Manual*

**4-HHM**- *North Carolina 4-H Horse Program Horse Manual*

**H&H2001**- *Horses and Horsemanship, 2001 Edition*

**HS2001**- *Horse Science, 2001 Edition*

**GRIFFITHS**- *Equine Science: Basic Knowledge for Horse People of All Ages*

**BH**- *Beginning Horsemanship*

**AYHC HS**- *Horse Smarts*– by the American Youth Horse Council

**NEWHOR** - *Illustrated Dictionary of Equine Terms*

Attached to this e-mail is the "Horse Bowl Question Template" that **must** be used when submitting questions.

**PLEASE NOTE: This template has been updated from previous versions to reflect the use of new sources.**

Please feel free to contact our office if you have any questions. Thank you in advance for your time and support of the NC 4-H Horse Program.