



2025 EQUISMARTZ

April 4-6th, Lexington, VA

Virginia 4-H/FFA Horse State Educational Competition Weekend HORSE BOWL – HIPPOLOGY – HORSE JUDGING – COMMUNICATIONS



Please see rules posted on the 4-H Horse Program website for each specific contest. This competition is for Junior and Senior Contestants. Hippology and Horse Judging is for 4-H and FFA. Horse Bowl & Communications is 4-H only.

FRIDAY, April 4th

- 4-H & FFA Hippology – **Rockbridge County High School, Lexington, VA**
The 4-H horse judging phase of Hippology is Saturday. FFA horse judging phase is Friday.
 - 4:30 PM – Arrival & Registration. See parking map. Register at front of school.
 - 5:10 PM – Contest begins for all (Exam, Slides, Stations, Team Problems)
 - 7:30 - 8:30 PM – Conclusion – watch Band App for groups finishing
 - Awards for 4-H and FFA– Saturday following the Horse Judging contest, Rockbridge High School



SATURDAY, APRIL 5th

- 4-H & FFA Horse Judging – **East Arena, Virginia Horse Center, Lexington, VA** (indoor arena)
All Contestants - bring clipboards, #2 pencils, dress appropriately for the weather.
 - 8:00 AM – Registration
 - 8:45 AM – Contest begins
 - 8:45 AM - Hippology Contestant Registration for those not doing full Horse Judging contest
 - 12:00 PM – Bus Contestants to Rockbridge Co. High School for lunch and reasons
 - 1:30 PM – Reasons begin (Rockbridge Co. High School)
 - ~4:00 PM – Officials given from Horse Judging Classes (High School Auditorium)
 - ~4:30 PM – Awards for 4-H Hippology and Horse Judging (High School Auditorium), FFA (High School Cafeteria)

SUNDAY, APRIL 6th

- 4-H Horse Bowl – **Rockbridge County High School, Lexington, VA**
5 Jr. and 5 Sr. teams allowed per District, determined by your District Horse Council.
 - 8:00 AM – Registration Opens (holding area for Juniors and Seniors – **cafeteria**)
 - 8:45 AM – Contests Begin - **Classrooms** open to one coach per team due to space constraints
 - 1:00 PM (tentatively) – Junior and Senior Final Round – open for all to watch
 - Awards following – **cafeteria or auditorium**
- 4-H Communications Contests – **Rockbridge County High School, Lexington, VA**
Individual and Team Presentations, Public Speaking.
 - 11:00 AM - check-in (scheduled times pre-announced)
 - 11:30 AM - CONTEST BEGINS- Contest Times may vary
 - Awards to follow each contest



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