

**Virginia 4-H Horse Program
Junior Public Speaking Contest Score Card**

Name: _____

Title: _____

County: _____

**Possible
Points**

**Points
Earned**

A. SPEECH FORMAT

20

- Speech followed a logical order
- Introduction was adequate and drew attention to the topic
- Main discussion was well organized and adequately covered the chosen topic
- Summary was brief and clearly reiterated the key points
- Additional Notes:

B. KNOWLEDGE OF SUBJECT MATTER

25

- Facts and information presented were accurate
- High level of preparation was shown as evidenced by the amount and depth of information provided about the subject
- Approved practices were discussed
- Additional Notes:

C. DELIVERY

25

- Speaker was neatly and appropriately dressed
- Speaker spoke directly to and looked at the audience and maintained strong eye contact
- Speech pace was consistent and appropriate (not too fast or too slow)
- Speaker displayed enthusiasm while presenting
- Speaker had good voice control and quality
- Words were pronounced correctly and proper word choice was used
- If notes were used, it was done without detracting from the speech
- Speaker seemed to choose words at the times they were spoken as opposed to a memorized speech
- Additional Notes:

D. CREDIT AND CONTENT**20**

- Information was obtained from reputable and/or equine research based information or sources
- Credit was given to the sources of information if it was appropriate
- Content was appropriately related to the equine industry
- Additional Notes:

E. QUESTIONS**10**

- Speaker handled questions easily and with confidence
- Speaker was thoughtful in responses and thoroughly answered questions correctly
- Response to questions indicate a deeper knowledge and understanding of the topic
- Additional Notes:

TOTAL POINTS AWARDED:**TIME:**

References are not to be included in the time limit.

Time Limits: Each speaker has 3-6 minutes. 3 points will be deducted from the total score for every minute or fraction of a minute under 3 or over 6 minutes.

Minus Time Penalty Points**FINAL SCORE:**

Judge's Comments: