Please see rules posted on the 4-H Horse Program website for each specific contest. This competition is for Junior and Senior Contestants. Horse Judging is for 4-H and FFA – all other contests are 4-H only. Each youth competing, one parent, and the team coach will receive a free pass into the Virginia Horse Festival for the day that they compete. Pick up tickets at Gate 6, Ticket Plaza, upon the day of arrival.

Friday, March 24  (Parking at Gate 6 – see map)

- 10 AM – Gates Open for the Virginia Horse Festival (come early to enjoy!) – 4-H tickets will be at Gate 6
- 4-H Communications Contests (Public Speaking, Team Presentations, Individual Presentations)
  Each District is eligible to enter 6 Juniors and 6 Seniors for each division. Entries will be submitted by your District Horse Council.
  o 9:30 AM – Parking and Tickets at Gate 3 for Communications contestants & parents only
  o 10:00 AM – Seniors – Registration at respective locations below
  o 10:30 AM – Senior Contest begins
    • Senior Public Speaking & Team Presentations – Meadow Hall Mansion, North Bedroom
    • Senior Individual Presentations – Meadow Hall Mansion, North Bedroom
  o 1:00 PM – Juniors – Registration at respective locations below
  o 1:30 PM – Juniors Contest begins
    • Junior Public Speaking & Team Presentations – Meadow Hall Mansion, North Bedroom
    • Junior Individual Presentations – Meadow Hall Mansion, North Bedroom
  o Awards – *Saturday afternoon, 6:15 PM - Meadow Pavilion* (or may pick up ribbon early if not staying)

- 4-H Hippology – Meadow Pavilion
  o 4:30 PM – Registration begins (contestants – bring your clipboards and pencils)
  o 5:30 PM – Contest begins (written exam, slide ID, Stations and Team Problems)
  Please Note: The Horse Judging portion of the Hippology contest will take place during the Horse Judging Contest on Saturday. Those participating in the Hippology contest only must check in at the entrance of the Covered Arena at 9:00 AM Saturday for the Horse Judging portion.
  o Awards – *Saturday afternoon, 6:15 PM - Meadow Pavilion*

Saturday, March 25  (Parking and Tickets at Gate 6 – see map)

- Horse Judging 4-H and FFA –First Bank & Trust Covered Arena
  All Contestants - bring clipboards & pencils. Dress appropriately for the outdoor elements in a covered (no sides) arena.
  o 8:00 AM – Registration – Entrance of Covered Arena
  o 8:45 AM – Contest begins
  o 12:00 PM – Contestant lunch for those giving reasons – Meadow Pavilion
  o 1:30 PM – Reasons begin – Meadow Pavilion
  o 5:30 PM – Official placings – Meadow Pavilion
  o 6:00 PM – Awards for FFA
  o 6:15 PM – Awards for all 4-H Contests held on Friday and Saturday - Meadow Pavilion

Sunday, March 26  (Parking and Tickets at Gate 6 – see map)

- Horse Bowl – Meadow Pavilion
  Only 5 Junior teams and 5 Senior teams will be allowed per District as determined by your District Horse Council.
  o 8:00 AM – Gate 6 parking and 4-H ticket booth open for contestants and parents
  o 8:30 AM – Registration begins and holding area for Juniors and Seniors – Meadow Pavilion
  o 9:00 AM – Contest begins. Closed rooms, open only to one coach per team due to space constraints.
  o 3:00 PM (tentatively) – Senior Final Round – Meadow Pavilion
  o Awards will be presented at the completion of the contest in Meadow Pavilion

The Meadow Event Park is the home of the State Fair of Virginia and the Virginia Horse Festival.
Location: 13111 Dawn Boulevard, Doswell, VA 23047
Hotel information, directions, and Schedule of Events for the Virginia Horse Festival are available at www.virginiahorsefestival.com