

# VA 4-H HORSE PROGRAM



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## Good Luck at Southern Regionals!

Here's to hoping everyone heading down to Southern Regionals in Perry, GA has a safe and easy trip and enjoys success and good times! Let's make

some awesome memories! Thank you to the parents and volunteers who are taking time out of their busy schedules to support our 4-Hers and helping to make dreams a reality!

## STATE 4-H CHAMPIONSHIP HORSE & PONY SHOW

- Have you read the rulebook? There is a **game** in that book with prizes! [Check it out!](#)
- Working on your horse record book or portfolio? There is prize money if you turn it in and win 1st or 2nd at State! [Read the rules here and send in your entry by August 22.](#)
- CALLING ALL MULTI-TALENTED 4-HERS - enter your [art or photography](#) at the State Show. Everyone loves to browse and enjoy what you can produce! Ribbons awarded!
- **NO HORSE?? NO PROBLEM!!** The State Show is still for YOU!! Come participate in the Educational Contests called the District Challenge - individuals welcome!! And as always we have plenty of volunteer slots to fill throughout the show! Read more here!
- DRILL TEAMS NEEDED! The State Show welcomes drill teams with a minimum of 8 riders for the exhibition class Saturday evening in the Waldron arena. [Go here](#) for more info!

## STATE FAIR 4-H HORSE SHOW

### **THE SCHEDULE IS AVAILABLE NOW!**

The State Fair 4-H Ranch Show will be Saturday, October 1 and the 4-H Drill Team Competition will be Sunday, October 2nd with the **4-H FUN SHOW** on Saturday night, for ages 9 and up (4-H age as of Oct. 1). Those wanting to check-in on Friday must come between 5-8pm. If you plan to arrive before 10am on Saturday or Sunday, you must have an exhibitor pass which will be provided upon your registration. Entries are due postmarked to the 4-H office by August 24th. The fun show is an open 4-H show with no qualification requirements however the Ranch Show and Drill Team Competition both follow the State Show [participation requirements](#). The fun show on Saturday night will be 5-10pm and if riders need stalls they must be reserved by Aug. 24th. No pre-entry required for the fun show.

## DEADLINES!

- Aug. 3 - [Connie Collier Scholarship](#)
- Aug. 22 - [State Fair Portfolio and Record Book Competition](#)
- Aug. 24 - [State Fair Entries for Ranch Riding and Drill](#)
- Sept. 16 - [State Fair 4-H & FFA Hay Bale Decoration entry due](#)
- Sept. 17 - [State Show Leg Up Award Nomination](#) due in show office, gam
- [All Star Applicants](#) - Teens ages 15 and older, start planning now by gathering your information for an early fall deadline.
- See additional [calendar of events](#).

Be sure to sign up on the [4-H State Horse Listserve](#)



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## HORSE SHOW HERO & SILENT AUCTION

We are still accepting **Horse Show Hero** sponsorships! Contact [Leona](#) for more info. [HORSE SHOW HERO FORMS](#)

The Silent Auction is our primary fundraiser for the State 4-H Horse Show. Please help us secure items for this effort! This can be in the form of services, items, horse and non-horse related! Please use the [donor form](#) for each item and email to Rose McDonald as soon as you have secured the donations.

## Intro to EquiSmarzt

Our first ever Intro to EquiSmarzt was held this past Saturday, July 16th at the VT MARE Center in Middleburg, VA. Approximately 27 youth and adults gathered to learn more about the format of our state knowledge contest held annually in the spring at the VA State Fairgrounds in Doswell, VA. Many thanks to our 4-H teens that helped to teach our beginners about the contest and our volunteers and VT interns were fabulous, fun and fantastic!! We hope to do this again. See our [Facebook](#) for many pics!



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