Major WINS at Eastern Nationals!

The Horse Judging Team, coached by Leona Ransdell, WON 1ST PLACE OVERALL at Eastern National 4-H Horse Roundup in Louisville, KY on Nov. 5th, 2017! The team of Charlotte Manvell, Ruth Martin, Sarah Seay and Caitlyn Russ also won 1st in Halter, 1st in Performance and 3rd in Reasons. Individually, Charlotte placed 4th in Halter, Caitlyn and Ruth placed 5th and 7th respectively in Performance. Charlotte and Caitlyn placed 5th and 6th respectively in Reasons. Individually Caitlyn placed 6th, Charlotte placed 7th and Ruth placed 9th Overall. The Hippology team of Nikki Novak, Adela Novak, Peyton Freeman and Claire Edwards placed 10th overall, coached by Lisa Beckwith! The team also placed 10th in the Written phase and 7th in Judging. Individually, Nikki and Peyton placed 5th and 7th respectively in the Judging phase. Nikki placed 8th Individually Overall. The VA Communications teams place 9th Overall. Caroline Perkins placed 9th in Public Speaking and Kate Hudson placed 20th in Individual Presentations, coached by Lisa Beckwith. Brenna Hathaway and Camryn Madagan placed 10th in the Written phase and 7th in Judging. Individually, Brenna placed 6th, Camryn placed 7th and Lisa placed 10th Overall. The VA Communication teams place 9th Overall! The team of Charlotte Manvell, Emma Hartman, Katie Define and Hannah Beaver, coached by Bertha Durbin! Taryn placed 10th Individually.

EquiSmartz News: The 2018 date is March 23-25 with the tentative schedule posted. Juniors and Seniors start planning now for presentations. Check with your District Horse Council about qualifying requirements as spots for 6 are allowed to compete per District in each communication contest. Horse Bowl and Hippology have a NEW resource, the AYHC Horse Smarts, available for purchase or to borrow in your District. The Horse, by Evans is being discontinued and will not be used for questions at EquiSmartz. The Horse Judging contest fee is now $15 per contestant and raffle gift baskets will return for 2018! This year’s themes for the raffle baskets will be Horse Movie/Game Night, Equine Care, Equine Arts & Crafts and one for a Future Vet.