

2024 Trumbull County Horse Person Contest

The Trumbull County 4-H Equine Development Committee will be conducting a search for the Horse Person of the Year. 4-H members with horse projects are invited to compete for this title in their respective age group: Walk/Trot, Juniors (ages 9-13) and Seniors (14-18).

The requirements include successful completion of the following items:

- Registration
- Activities' Resume
- Written Essay & Exam
- Demonstration of Basic Horsemanship Skills with Project Horse

Interested 4-H members should complete the registration form below and submit by Wednesday, May 1, 2024 to: Trumbull OSU Extension Office, 520 West Main Street, Cortland

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2024 Trumbull County Horse Person Registration Form
Registration Due: Wednesday, May 1, 2024 by 4:00 pm

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

4-H Number: _____ Phone Number: _____

Club: _____

Division (please circle): Walk Trot 9-13 14-18

Style of Riding (please circle): Contest Driving English Western

Youth Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Resume, Written Exam & Essay

Note: The written exam and essay prompt will be given at the Trumbull County Extension Office on **Monday June 3, 2024** at **5:00 PM** in the large conference room. **Participants, regardless of age, are limited to 2 HOURS for both the written exam and essay***. After the time period is up, they must turn in what they have completed. The horsemanship portion of the contest will be completed at the Trumbull County Fair on **Monday, July 8, 2024 at 2:30 PM**. All participants will be required to ride or drive a horsemanship pattern in their style of riding. Please see additional details below.

Activity Resume

Activity resumes should be turned into the extension office at the time of written exam. Activity resumes should have a cover page listing your 4-H number only, division and style or riding. The resume format will follow the scoring rubric. Please answer questions #1-6 on a separate sheet of paper. They may be handwritten or typed.

Maximum Score: 100

Essay

Essay Topic: To be determined. Participants will be given topic on June 3, 2024 prior to beginning written exam.

Essay Length: (by age not division; please print as neatly as possible)

Juniors (9-13 years): 250 words or more

Seniors (14-18 years): 350 words or more

Scoring Breakdown:

- Quality of Essay Material- 65 points
- Correct Punctuation and Grammar- 15 points
- Spelling- 10 points
- Observation of Correct Margins, Spacing and Logical Organization of Writer's Thoughts- 10 points

Maximum Score: 100

Written Exam

Participants will take a written exam. The exam will be worth 100 maximum points and will be 50 questions in length. Exam questions will be taken from the following materials below:

Exhibitor is required to take a written exam based on books:

***a). Novice- 1 & 2nd Year (experience)- #174 and County/State Rules**

b) **Junior 9-13 years Old- #174 and County/State Rules**

c). **Senior 14-18 Years Old- #174, #175 and County/State Rules**

All books are available at the OSU Extension Office or through your 4-H advisor. 50 questions- 100 pts total.

Riding Style

The riding or driving part of the Horse Person Contest will be held during the 2024 Trumbull County Fair and will be judged by an independent judge. All participants will ride a horsemanship/equitation/reinsmanship pattern in their style of riding. Contest pattern will be a barrel pattern at a trot or controlled canter. The riding portion will be placed accordingly by the judge.

*If a 4-H member needs special accommodations for testing, please fill out a 4-H Winning Plan form so accommodations can be properly made to assist the member. Thank you!

Trumbull County Horse Person Scoring Rubric

Horse Person Resume

1. List 4-H Horse Project Books you have completed, and knowledge gained.
15 Points _____
2. Identify the things you have done in 4-H (equine related) where you planned, organized, gave direction or participated.
 - a. Leadership 15 Points _____
 - b. Committees 10 Points _____
 - c. Other Activities 10 Points _____
3. List any 4-H activities you have participated in.
10 Points _____
4. List any club, county, state or national 4-H Honors.
10 Points _____
5. Describe the clinics, lectures, etc. you have attended as you learn more about horses and your riding.
10 Points _____
6. Additional comments (any other information you would like to tell us about yourself).
10 Points _____
7. Appearance (Neatness of resume)
10 Points _____

Total Points (Max 100): _____

4-H Number: _____

Horse Person Essay

1. Quality of thought put into essay.
65 Points _____
2. Correct Punctuation.
15 Points _____
3. Correct Spelling
10 Points _____
4. Neatness, logical organization & flow
10 Points _____

Total Points (Max 100): _____

4-H Number: _____

Directions: All cover pages should have:

1. Your 4-H Number only (no name).
2. Walk/Trot, Junior or Senior Division.
3. Whether you are competing in Contest, Driving, English or Western style of riding.
4. Resume should be submitted in a folder.