

Horse & Pony

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State Fair Entry: Yes

Animal Check In: Saturday, July 5, 2025; 10:00AM-5:00PM, Horse Barn, Kosciusko County Fairgrounds

Animal Check Out: **MINI 4-H:** Sunday, July 6, 2025; Time TBA Evening
 REGULAR 4-H: Friday, July 11, 2025; 7:00AM-12:00PM

Show Day: See Table Below

<u>Show Requirements:</u>	<u>Due May 15</u>	<u>Due July 14</u>
	* Online Horse Registration	* Record of Achievement
	* Horse Vaccinations	
	* Horse Vaccination Form (1 horse per form)	
	* Fair Stall Request form	

Fair Rules:

1. The 4-H Horse and Pony show will be divided into divisions based on grade in school as of January 1.

4-H Member

Jr. Division ~ Grades 3-7
Sr. Division ~ Grades 8-12

Horse

Jr. Division ~ Age 5 years and under
Sr. Division ~ Age 6 years and under

2. All 4-H members must check-in with the superintendent or appointed designee by 5 pm upon arrival at the fair. The exception is for Mid-States Team members and family. They must check-in with the superintendent or appointed designee by 7pm, in the event the Mid-States Team tourney conflicts with the fair check-in date.
3. At the end of the fair all members must check out with the Superintendent or appointed designee before leaving the fair. This is to verify that your stall is clean before you leave. Please see the Kosciusko County 4-H General rules for consequences of not being released.
4. All animals must be sound and healthy. It is required that all horses have current Eastern and Western Encephalomyelitis, Rhino pneumonitis, Influenza, Tetanus and Rabies, West Nile Virus vaccinations. It is highly recommended that all horses also be vaccinated for Potomac Fever and Strangles. Vaccinations must be given to animals and proof of vaccinations must be turned in by May 15, 2025. See Horse Vaccination Form for more information. Forms are to be submitted to a committee officer (Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent, or Secretary) or the horse drop box located at the Horse and Pony barn. Members who do not turn in the completed form, by the required date, will not be allowed to exhibit their horse at the fair.
5. Animals will be assigned stalls by the stall committee. No one is allowed to change stalls without the permission of the superintendent. You must have 1hr. show cleanup time and 40 points minimum to be eligible for a box stall. Final year and Ten-year members must have 1hr. of show cleanup time and 20 points minimum to receive a box stall. You will need to submit your stall request form to a committee officer (Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent, or Secretary) or the horse drop box located at the Horse and Pony barn by May 15. If your form is not submitted or is late you will receive your stall last regardless of how many points you have.
6. No un-gelded colts may be shown after weaning age. Weaning age is up to one year on January 1st.
7. The exhibitor must wear proper attire for the class in which he/she is exhibiting. (See your 4-H Horse and Pony Handbook) Clothes must be neat and clean. Exhibitors must wear show numbers on their backs or on both sides of saddle pad in plain sight while in the show ring.
8. Horses and ponies must stay in designated areas.
9. No two (2) 4-H members may show the same animal except for Master Showman class. Exhibitors in the Master Showman class can show any enrolled Horse or Pony.
10. Only Kosciusko County 4-H Horse and Pony members may ride/drive 4-H animals during the fair. (An exception is made for pleasure driving or assisted classes). Adults serving in this capacity must be an approved 4-H volunteer or family member.
11. All 4-H members are required to wear a properly fitted ASTM or SEI standard F1163 (or above) certified helmet whenever mounted, or driving, at a 4-H horse and pony event. The 4-H member is responsible for seeing that this specified headgear is properly fitted with the approved harness and fastened in place whenever mounted. Original tags must be present in all approved helmets.
12. Each 4-H'er can only have one (1) animal per class except for Grand Champion classes.

13. All 4-H animal exhibits must be free of performance enhancing drugs, steroids, and chemical or foreign substance residue. The submission of any 4-H entry into the county by an exhibitor expressly grants the 4-H council and/or horse and pony committee the right to conduct such tests for any foreign substance, to include, but not limited to performance enhancing drugs, steroids, or chemicals. Refusing such tests will result in disqualification and forfeiture of all awards. Test samples collected from a 4-H horse, pony, mule, or donkey shall be free of any foreign substance, including any steroids or any drug or chemical affecting the central nervous system (depressants).