HORSE & PONY
Activity Sheet – 2021
Level 1 – Grades 3-4-5
Due June 30, 2021 to the Extension Office

Allen County 4-H Skills for Life
$1.00

What you will do in this project:

- Enroll in the 4-H program by January 15.
- Complete these activity sheets with Declaration Form and turn it in to the Extension Office **by June 30, 2021 or earlier.**
- You do not have to have a horse to participate in a 4-H Horse and Pony Club.
- By May 15 complete and submit the 4Honline Horse ID with color pictures of the animals you intend to show. A maximum of 2 pictures per animal may be uploaded. The pictures must contain the face and all four(4) feet of the animal in the picture. Files must be a jpg, jpeg or png file.
- To enter into the Indiana State Fair, please go to www.indianastatefair.com and enter online. Each exhibitor is required to pay an entry fee at the time of entry. June 1, 2021 is the entry deadline. Late fees apply for entries made after June 1, 2021.
- Attend County 4-H workshops, meetings, and clean up days when offered—at least 2 horse club meetings and 2 riding (outdoor) meetings.
- Refer to the Allen County 4-H Rules Book for a complete listing of all regulations concerning this project.
- Complete the attached Declaration Form.
- Complete FairEntry online by published deadline-June 30, 2021.

Management Tips:

- Provide clean, fresh water to horses and ponies at all times. Horses will drink anywhere from 10-12 gallons of water per day. Ponies will drink a little less.
- Feed horses and ponies at least two times a day and at the same time every day.
- Make sure your horse/pony finishes their feed. Watch to see that animals on turnout are not being chased away from their food by other bossy horses or ponies.
- Check daily for injuries, sickness, unusual things or changes in behavior. You should spend enough time with them that you know when they are a little "off".
- Provide shade from the sun and protection from wind, snow and rain.
- De-worm and remove bots as needed. Treating horses and ponies for external parasites is important for their health and appearance.
- Clean and replace bedding often if horses or ponies are stalled.
- Rinse horses and ponies after you get them sweaty or when they get really dirty. Clean and conditioned hair and skin makes them feel and look better.
- Brush your horses and ponies to calm them and clean and train their hair. This is also a good time to bond with your equine friend.
- Exercise stalled horses or ponies daily; or make sure they have turnout time.
- To finalize preparation for showing, train your horse or pony at least three times a week. Remember, every time you are with them you are training.

4-H Member: _____   4-H Club: _____

Grade in School (January 1, 2021) _____   Years in this project _____

Signature of 4-H Member verifying that you have completed these activities: _____

Signature of Parent that you have reviewed this information: _____

4-H Animal Care:

The Indiana 4-H program strongly supports positive animal care and strongly opposes animal abuse. 4-H is also dedicated to the mission of developing youth and volunteers through "Learning by Doing" programs. 4-H livestock projects teach life skills such as acquiring knowledge, making decisions, and applying leadership skills.

When working and caring for animals, it is important to insure that appropriate safety measures are in place for both the animals and the persons who care for them. Therefore, there is no substitute for knowledge, common sense, and experience.

Animal handlers should study and learn to anticipate an animal's reaction and try and avoid problem situations. It is most important that 4-H members understand an animal's behavior so one can "outsmart" not "outmuscle" an animal. Foremost in the 4-H'er mind should always be safety of the handler and the animal

An animal's good health is often directly related to the environmental factors associated with its living space. The presence of predators, dust, odors, pests, temperature, and humidity has a direct effect on an animal's well-being.

Animals react favorably to daily care and comfortable housing. Consideration should also be given to specific animal needs such as size of their housing space, lighting, and ventilation. The best facilities and equipment cannot and should not be a substitute for daily observation and careful attention to signs of illness, injury, and/or unusual behavior.

_____ Completed On Line 4-H Enrollment by January 15, 2021

_____ Completed Animal ID on Line by May 15, 2021

_____ Turn in Activity Sheets with Declaration Form by June 30, 2021 @ 4:30 PM to the Extension Office.

_____ Completed Fair Entry on line by June 30, 2021

Level 1

Answers can be found in "Beginning Horse Management" Resource Book 4-H 174.

1. How much feed will the average horse eat in a day?

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2. List two of the three things that horses be allowed to access all the time.

   A. _____B. _____

3. What is meant by "maintenance"?

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Refer to the section titled "Showmanship" to answer the following questions:

4. In the Quadrant Method of showmanship, the exhibitor is where in relation to the judge as the judge is inspecting the horse?

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5. What are three important things to remember for showmanship?

A. _____

   _____

B. _____

   _____

C. _____

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6. Turns greater than _____ degrees are always done away from the side that the exhibitor is on.

7. For your style of showmanship, what tack must be used when showing?

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Refer to the section titled "Grooming and Conditioning Your Horse" to answer the following questions:

8. What are four major factors to produce a well-groomed and conditioned horse?

A. _____

B. _____

C. _____

D. _____

9. List each of the following items (rub rag, stiff brush, rubber curry comb, soft brush) in the order that you would use each of them while grooming. Next to each, describe what each one does.

A. _____

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B. _____

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 C. _____

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D. _____

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2021 Allen County 4-H Horse & Pony Declaration Form

Due to the Purdue Extension Office on June 30, 2021 by 4:30 pm
Mailing Address: Purdue Extension Office-Allen County
4001 Crescent Ave
Fort Wayne In 46815

Please list the two (2) horses or ponies that you plan to bring to the Allen County fair. You may have enrolled more than two (2) horses in the 4honline system- however according to Allen County rules you are only allowed to exhibit a maximum of two (2) horses at the county fair.

4-H'ers Name _____

Phone Number _____

Email _____

Horse Name	Breed	Colors/Markings	Sex	Birthdate	Animal is under 56"	Animal is under 38"
1.			Mare Gelding		Yes No	Yes
2.			Mare Gelding		Yes No	Yes

Remember this form is due to the Extension Office, 4001 Crescent Ave. Fort Wayne, IN 46815 by June 30 at 4:30 pm.

Fax: 260-481-6439