

4-H PLEDGE

I pledge my **HEAD** to clearer thinking,
my **HEART** to greater loyalty,
my **HANDS** to larger service,
and my **HEALTH** to better living,
for my club, my community,
my country, and my world.



**4-H Emblem: A green four-leaf clover,
with a white "H" on each leaflet.**

4-H Motto: To Make the Best Better

4-H Slogan: Learn by Doing

4-H Colors: Green and White



2022

MORGAN COUNTY 4-H HORSE HANDBOOK



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IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

NOTES

APRIL

- ◆ 13th: Fairgrounds Cleanup @ 5:00 p.m.
- ◆ 20th: Fairgrounds Cleanup (Backup Day)

MAY

- ◆ 2nd: Last day to register for 4-H Horse Project by 5:00 p.m.

JUNE

- ◆ 11th: Spring Horse Show
 - Check-in completed by 7:30 a.m. for Two-Handed Horse Show
 - Check-in completed by 8:30 a.m. for Western Horse Show
 - Pledges @ 8:45 a.m.
 - Test Starts @ 9:00 a.m.

JULY

- ◆ 9th: Summer Horse Show
 - Check-in completed by 7:30 a.m. for Two-Handed Horse Show
 - Check-in completed by 8:30 a.m. for Western Horse Show
 - Pledges @ 8:45 a.m.
 - Test Starts @ 9:00 a.m.
- ◆ 29th: Fair Horse Show
 - Check-in completed by 4:30 p.m. for Two-Handed Horse Show
 - Check-in completed by 5:30 p.m. for Western Horse Show
 - Pledges @ 5:45 p.m.
 - Test Starts @ 6:00 p.m.

AUGUST

- ◆ 31st by 5:00 p.m. is the **FINAL DAY** to turn in portfolios and receive a red or higher. Portfolios can be turned in any day before this.

SEPTEMBER

- ◆ 1st: 2022-2023 4-H Enrollment Opens on Zsuite (4h.zsuite.org)
- ◆ 22nd-24th :State Horse Show in Salina @ Blackhawk Arena

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Morgan County Extension Office

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Morgan County Horse Council –2022

- ◆ President Lisa Clark 801-791-3712
- ◆ Vice President Cory Sanders 801-821-0285
- ◆ Secretary Lacey Christiansen 435-901-2672
- ◆ Treasurer Leslie Hyde 801-791-7505
- ◆ Show Secretary Geni Rowser 801-791-6295
- ◆ Ambassador Advisor Sherie Carter 801-389-5697

Morgan County 4-H Horse Clubs

- ◆ Wet Blankets Jessie Franich 801-829-6751
- ◆ The Rustlers Geni Rowser 801-791-6295
- ◆ Saddle Sores ShaNell Turner 801-710-0570

* Each family with enrolled participants will qualify for one valid vote for the 4-H Horse Council Election.

The goal of the 4-H Horse Program is to reach and encourage youth ages 8-18 throughout Morgan County. The program will promote youth and adult interaction, build self-esteem and develop life-long skills.

**BYLAWS OF THE MORGAN COUNTY
4-H HORSE COUNCIL**

The purpose of the 4-H Horse program is to provide services to all persons residing in Morgan County regardless of race, sex, color, religion, national origin or handicap.

ARTICLE 1—NAME, OBJECTIVES, AND POLICIES

- 1. The name of this organization shall be:**
 - A. Morgan County 4-H Horse Council
- 2. The objectives of the Morgan County 4-H Horse Council shall be:**
 - A. To serve as an executive and decision making body on behalf of the Horse 4-H Clubs in Morgan County
 - B. To organize and promote county-wide horse shows and activities.
 - C. To educate 4-H members in the care, training, and use of their horses and to aid in improving skills and enhancing the abilities of 4-H members and leaders by conducting seminars, clinics, and/or workshops.
 - D. To set policy and arbitrate disputes on Morgan County Horse 4-H matters.
 - E. To represent Morgan County at State and Regional 4-H Horse Council meetings.
 - F. To conduct shows and clinics/workshops according to the State 4-H rules and regulations.
 - G. We reserve the right to make changes that are deemed beneficial to Morgan County 4-H Horse Program.
 - H. The USU Extension 4-H Professional over the 4-H Horse Program is an **advisor** to the Morgan County 4-H Horse Council and **may override decisions by the Horse Council at any time**, if it is not clearly in harmony with the State 4-H Rules and Regulations and best interests of the Morgan County 4-H Horse Program.
- 3. Responsibilities**
 - A. Members of the 4-H Horse Council will attend all Horse Council meetings. They will also function as the Horse Show Committee. *If any member of the council misses 3 meetings/shows in a row, they will be taken off the council and a replacement will be found.*

- B. The Council will meet monthly from January-August.
- C. Horse Show Committee Responsibilities:
 1. Be responsible for enforcing state and county rules.
 2. Help at horse shows and actively encourage parents to help also.
 3. Arrange for judges, prizes & awards
 4. Host state individual and team shows as needed
 5. On banquet night in October, handover old council information to the new council including the flash drive with all the previous years documents.

4. Voting

- A. Each member of the Morgan County 4-H Horse Council shall have one vote.
- B. The President of the Morgan County 4-H Horse Council shall vote only when needed to break a tie.
- C. For rule changes, **a quorum (2/3 of the 4-H Horse Council)** must be present for motions to pass.
- D. For horse show rule changes **a quorum** must be present for motions to pass.
- E. In business matters of the Morgan County 4-H Horse Program, a **simple majority** is required for most motions to pass.

ARTICLE II—OFFICERS/EXTENSION 4-H PROFESSIONAL/AMBASSADORS

1. **Officers** of the 4-H Horse Council are: President, Vice President, Secretary, Show Secretary, Treasurer/Assistant Show Secretary, and Ambassador Advisor.
2. **The term** of office shall be one year. Each officer positions will go up for election each year. Each ambassador position will be applied for.
 - A. Officers shall hold office until their successors have been duly elected. If a current officer wishes to re-run for their current position they may do so.
 - B. Receive all monies, pay all bills and turn into 4-H Professional.
 - C. Election of officers shall take place in the Fall of the season that they will be serving.
 - D. Be responsible for securing the Horse arena for show use and for any arena preparation needed for all show dates and events.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM
THE EXTENSION OFFICE**

- ◆ The Extension office will send out an email informing everyone how to turn in portfolios.
- ◆ If you do not complete a portfolio you will not be allowed to participate in the 4-H Horse Program the following 4-H year or attend the Region and/or State Horse Show if you qualify.
- ◆ All region and state qualifiers will have to receive a red or higher on their portfolio prior to submitting their entries to the Region and/or State Horse Show.
- ◆ Join “Remind to receive communication about 4-H Horse Shows, activities, events, and information!

Text 81010

Send this message: @2022horse

Download the app

Fair Show: Juniors:
Utah 4-H Horse Program Study Material Volume 1
Intermediates:
Utah 4-H Horse Program Study Material Volume 1 & 2
Seniors:
Utah 4-H Horse Program Study Material Volume 1, 2, & 3

Judging Information:

Judges are sent a copy of our County Rules and Regulations. In addition they are asked to review the State Rule Book.

Parents will be asked to help at shows to help them run smoothly. Parents will help setup poles, barrels, and any other speed events, as well as be ring stewards if needed, and will open/close gates as needed. President will be in charge of coordinating setting up of the electric eye.

Two Handed Riding:

Those riding 2-handed will be riding exhibition (they will not be placed in the class) in all age divisions. They will compete in the following events: showmanship, western pleasure, trail and equitation.

Scan QR Code to Access State 4-H Horse Rule Book



- E. Take charge of all documents related to the bylaws.
- F. Report on and provide a statement on the current status of funds at each 4-H Horse Council Meeting.
- G. The duties of the officers shall be as follows:

I. President

- A. The President shall be the executive officer of the Morgan County 4-H Horse Council, preside over all meetings of the Horse Council, designate committees as required and appoint members thereof, conduct such business as is approved by the members or is in the best interest of the Morgan County 4-H Horse Council within the scope of the bylaws and carry out various other duties as required.
- B. The President shall lead the Morgan County 4-H Horse Council into avenues and actions that shall reflect positively and progressively upon the 4-H Horse Program. President shall remain neutral on all issues to come before the 4-H Horse Council, unless asked to give an opinion as permitted in Parliamentary Law.
- C. The President has the responsibility to coordinate all the activities within the Morgan County 4-H Horse Program, or appoint another member of the 4-H Horse Council to assume a delegated duty. The responsibilities include, but are not limited to:
 - 1. Enforce eligibility requirements of participants at 4-H Horse Shows.
 - 2. Shall enforce any/all disqualifications at 4-H Horse Shows.
 - 3. Preside over the grievance committee.
 - 4. The President will be responsible to transfer any information to the new President when leaving office.

II. Vice President

- A. Arrange for judges for all shows
- B. Be responsible for informing the clubs of county parades and how/when to submit an entry. Coordinate with club leaders.
- C. Conduct meetings in the absence of the President.
- D. Work with Ambassador Advisor and Ambassadors to encourage and plan educational opportunities beneficial to

the growth of the 4-H Horse Program of Morgan County.

E. In case of a prolonged absence or disability of the President, the Vice President will assume the duties of the President until the President is able to resume their duties.

F. Serves as chairperson of the Morgan County 4-H Horse Shows.

G. Assisting the President may be required.

IV. Secretary

A. Keep the minutes of the proceedings at all official meetings.

B. Be in charge of general correspondence and send emails to members.

C. Notify 4-H Horse Council members of meetings.

D. Take charge of all documents related to the bylaws.

E. Compile and keep any other records required for the 4-H Horse Program.

F. Work in conjunction with the Morgan County Extension Office in procuring a current mailing list and insuring that all possible efforts are made to keep all 4-H Horse participants current with all information pertinent to the 4-H Horse program.

G. The Secretary is responsible to transfer all records and information pertaining to the County 4-H Horse Program in its entirety to the next serving secretary .

H. Assist the President as may be required.

I. Remind App/ General Correspondence.

V. Show Secretary

A. Assist the Extension Office with all show registration needs for each Morgan County 4-H Horse Show.

B. Assist the Extension Office in compiling and keeping any other records required for the 4-H Horse Program.

C. Record all show scores and times for timed events.

D. Issue competition numbers for all show contestants.

E. Assist the Secretary as required.

VI. Treasurer / Assistant Show Secretary

A. Be responsible for all the financial records for the Morgan County 4-H Horse Program.

B. Be in charge of any fundraisers approved by the 4-H Horse

17. Awards:

A. Shows: Youth will acquire points from each show they attend. At the end of the year they will be given their totals points that they earned. Each point equals \$1 and can be used to pick out prizes from Chick Saddlery or 4-H Mall. Youth cannot go over their total of points for prizes.

B. End of Year Awards: Top 4-H Portfolio (one in each age group), High Point Test, Top Fundraiser (one for each fundraising event), High Point Winner (one in each age group).

ARENA RESERVATIONS

Due to liability/insurance reasons, any organized Morgan County 4-H Clubs including family clubs MUST be officially enrolled and fees paid for the current year before using any County Facilities. Enrollment is completed online at 4h.zsuite.org

MONDAY EVENINGS: WET BLANKETS & THE RUSTLERS

THURSDAY EVENINGS: WET BLANKETS & THE RUSTLERS

Most Tuesdays, Fridays and Saturdays will be available for riding, but it will be your responsibility to check with the Extension Office to make sure the arena is open and available.

TESTS

Test questions will be from:

Juniors:

Utah 4-H Horse Program Study Material Volume 1

Intermediate:

Utah 4-H Horse Program Study Material Volume 1 &2

Senior:

Utah 4-H Horse Program Study Material Volume 1, 2, & 3

Spring Show: Juniors, Intermediates, & Seniors:

Utah 4-H Horse Program Study Material Volume 1

Summer Show: Juniors:

Utah 4-H Horse Program Study Material Volume 1

Intermediates & Seniors:

Utah 4-H Horse Program Study Material Volume 1 & 2

15. Portfolios:

- A. Portfolios are issued through the Extension Office. Workshops will be held to help the youth with their record keeping.
- B. A portfolio is a requirement for all participants. If this form of record keeping is not turned in, the participant will not be allowed to participate in the 4-H Horse Program the following year or to attend the region and/or state horse show if they qualify. If a participant does not receive a red or higher on their portfolio they will not be allowed to attend the region and/or state horse show if they qualify.
- B. Portfolios will be turned into the Extension Office after the fair. The exact date will be announced each year. The Extension Office will review your portfolios and will let participants know when they are available to be picked up. If portfolios are not picked up by October 1st they will be shredded.

16. Region/State Individual 4-H Horse Shows:

- A. Registered members qualifying for the state individual show must show at the Region Team Show if it is available. Region Team shall consist of the top 8 qualifying participants in each age division.
- B. In the event that team size is limited by hosting county, the number of qualifying Region Team members may be specified and limited by hosting county.
- C. To determine which bracket the country program fits into, and thus the number of qualifying riders that can be sent to state, the average horse show attendance for each age group, rounded up to the nearest whole, should be taken over a two-year period and should be reevaluated on odd years (2021, 2023, 2025, and so on). County 4-H Staff and County 4-H Horse Councils are responsible for working together to find the average participants for each age group in order to determine the qualifying riders that will be eligible to attend the Western Individual Show. These numbers should be reported to the Utah 4-H Western Horse Council as soon as the number is finalized, and no later than August 1st on odd years, so they can adequately prepare.

Council.

- C. Provide a detailed annual report.
- D. Assist Show Secretary with all duties.
- E. Assist the Secretary with all responsibilities related to Morgan County Horse 4-H Shows.
- F. Find an announcer & timers for all Morgan County Horse 4-H Shows.
- G. Be responsible to transfer all records, information and finances pertaining to the Morgan County Horse 4-H Program in its entirety to the next serving.
- H. Assist the President as may be required.

VII Ambassador Advisor

- A. Is the main overseer of the Morgan County 4-H Horse Ambassadors.
- B. Shall attend any meetings the Horse Council deems appropriate and give feedback.
- C. Shall be in charge of finding and planning service projects for the horse 4-H members.
- D. Work with the VP to plan and execute educational experiences.
- E. Work with treasurer to do fundraisers.
- F. Assist the council when needed.

VIII. Extension 4-H Professional

- A. Be responsible for the distribution of all testing materials at the Morgan County 4-H Horse Shows; insure the integrity of the test judges and contestants at the time of testing.
- B. Assist with all show registration needs for each Morgan County 4-H Horse Show.
- C. Be responsible for the composition of all written tests for each of the Morgan County 4-H Horse Shows.
- D. Receive all monies pertaining to the registration of show contestants.
- E. Ensure the sound system and electric timers are all in working order.
- F. Ensure all equipment for 4-H Horse Shows are kept in good working order.
- G. Be responsible for the coordination and distribution of all tests for each of the Morgan County 4-H Horse Shows.

IX. Club Leaders

- A. Help with communication.
- B. Encouraged to provide advice and feedback to horse council at council meetings.
- C. Submit parade entries for their club.
- D. Petition for riding night at planning meeting.

IIX. Ambassadors

- A. Under the direction of the Ambassador Advisor.
- B. Shall attend any meetings the Horse Council deems appropriate and give feedback.
- C. Shall be in charge of finding and planning service projects for the 4-H horse members.
- D. Work with the VP to plan and execute educational experiences.
- E. Work with the treasurer to do fundraisers.
- F. Assist the council when needed.

ARTICLE IV MEETINGS

4-H Horse Council Meetings:

- A. Shall be held at a time and place to be designated by the president.
- B. Be held, at a minimum, biannually, and as often as needed.
- C. The agenda for the Horse Council meetings will be:
 - 1. Call to Order by the presiding officer
 - 2. Introduction of new members or guests present
 - 3. Approval of prior meeting minutes
 - 4. Approval of Treasurers Report
 - 5. Committee status reports, if any
 - 6. Old business, if any
 - 7. New Business, if any
 - 8. Adjourn
- D. Shall be governed by a modified version of Robert's Rules of Order.
- E. Are open to all members of the Morgan County 4-H Horse Program.
- F. Members are welcome to address the Horse Council, make suggestions, file complaints or simply listen.

earn points from two qualifying Morgan County 4-H Horse Shows using the same project horse. Each participant will declare the horse to be used as his/her project for the year at the first qualifying show the exhibitor participates in.

B. Only the horse that has been temporarily unfit/unsound, by a certified veterinarian may be used again when cleared in writing by the certified veterinarian, and approved by the 4-H Horse Council. It is the exhibitors responsibility to insure all project horses are registered with the show secretary at the time of the show.

C. If deemed in the best interest of the horse and/or rider by member's 4-H Leader and 4-H Horse Council, a project horse may be replaced during the project year; however, unless the replacement horse is exhibited by the 4-H member during two qualifying shows that season no points will accumulate toward year-end standings.

D. In the event a project horse dies or is declared to be permanently or temporarily unfit/unsound in writing by a certified veterinarian, a replacement horse may be used. Approval for a project horse substitution must be obtained from the 4-H Horse Council, and appoint accumulation and transfer for year-end standings will be reviewed and determined on a case-by-case basis by the 4-H Horse Council.

All decisions are final.

*Definition of what unfit is (looking in state rule book):

Discourages the use of unfit/unsound horses

Definition of "Serviceably Sound": The horse that is able to perform at every gait that is requested which is – walk, jog/trot, lope/canter at both leads and back effectively, is considered serviceably sound.

14. Point System: Show points will be awarded as follows:

Placings:

1st Place:	5 points
2nd Place:	4 points
3rd Place:	3 points
4th Place:	2 points
5th Place:	1 point

*Class Results/Placings will be announced and posted following the show as soon as they are available.

**NOTE: If there is a tie for region/state contest participation, the participants two best test scores will be averaged. This will be used for the tie breaker. If a tie continues, they will take a special tie breaker test.*

12. Equine Drugs:

A. Drugging of horses will not be tolerated. A drug test may be requested if you suspect drug usage. The complainant must file a written grievance and include a \$50 deposit. The horse in question will be tested. If the test is negative (horse showing NO recent drug use), the complainant will pay the remainder of all applicable costs. If the test is positive (horse showing current drug use) the guilty party will pay all applicable costs, with the \$50 deposit being returned to the complainant.

These costs, regardless of the outcome, must be paid prior to any participation in future Morgan County 4-H Horse Shows or 4-H events. As for the participants whose horse is found to have had unauthorized drugs used, that child will no longer be allowed to continue to show at the county level and will be disqualified/ineligible from participating in that years Region and State Shows. The participant could also be dismissed from the Morgan County 4-H Program if deemed necessary. The 4-H participant will forgo any prizes/awards associated with top placings at the years shows or year-end awards.

B. If your horse has need of any type of drug/medication please file the appropriate form with veterinarian's signature to the Show Secretary upon registration of the show.

C. It is your personal responsibility to insure integrity. All are strongly encouraged to clip and trim/shoe their horses two or three days prior to the show, thus eliminating any possible problems. Personal responsibility and personal integrity will be stressed each year. We are a constant example to our youth, lets keep it positive. The drug tests are highly sensitive and can show some drugs ten to fourteen days after being administered.

13. Horse / Individual Participant:

A. The 4-H member's project is centered around one primary project horse. In order for Morgan County 4-H Horse youth to accumulate points for year-end awards and/or qualify for participation at the Region and State levels, the exhibitor must

ARTICLE V—MISCELLANEOUS

1. Grievance Committee:

A. Committee will consist of the 4-H Horse Council & Extension 4-H Professional.

B. The grievance is a formal written complaint and will cost petitioner \$25. A majority of the committee shall review the grievance once the proper paper is complete and the money has been paid. If the committee rules in favor of the petitioner they will receiver their \$25 back. If the committee rules against the petitioner they will lose their \$25.

2. Complaints Against Morgan County 4-H Horse/Council Members:

A. If a formal written complaint is made against a Morgan County 4-H Horse Member or Horse Council Member, the Morgan County 4-H Horse Grievance Committee shall decide if any action should be taken against such person. If action is necessary, the type of action to be taken may range from temporary to permanent suspension from activity and membership in the Morgan County 4-H Horse Program. (Please reference Utah 4-H WHR Book, pg 14).

RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE MORGAN COUNTY 4-H HORSE PROGRAM

1. Age Groups

Group A—Grades 9-12, Seniors

Group B—Grades 6-8, Intermediates

Group C— Grades 3-5, Juniors

As of September 1 of the current 4-H year, as designated by the State 4-H Program.

2. Club Attendance:

The purpose of the Morgan County 4-H Horse Program is to assure that the youth are benefitting from all that the 4-H Program has to offer and not there just to show horses.

3. Required Show Attire:

A. A 4-H patch with the 4-H emblem must be worn on the upper left sleeve. If a patch is not worn, it is a drop in ribbon color.

B. Acceptable attire for 4-H western performance contest will be western hat, western boots, western style belt, western long sleeved shirt, vest or jacket (optional) and western style long pants.

C. Attire should be neat and clean and should add to the overall pleasant appearance of horse and rider.

D. Fancy western outfits will not be scored higher than clean, neat appropriate clothing.

E. Helmets: It is the official position of Utah State University Extension that all youth riders participating in Utah 4-H sponsored events must wear an American Standard for Testing Materials (ASTM) or Safety Equipment Institute (SEI) certified helmet. This includes any youth riding during club practices and activities, at show events in or out of the show ring, and other events where youth are representing Utah 4-H in any way. Studies have shown that a properly fitted and certified helmet can drastically reduce the incidence of serious injury and harm to horseback riders. (Please reference Utah 4-H WHR Book, pg 10).

4. Behavior:

A. Good sportsmanship shall prevail at all times. No physical or verbal abuse of animals or people will be permitted from a 4-H member, any family member, or associate. Abusive behavior of this kind will be cause for dismissal of the 4-H member from further competition in the event or show at the discretion of the show committee. (Please reference Utah 4-H WHR Book, pg 13).

B. Participants are encouraged to ask the judges how they might improve. Parents may listen, but are asked not to interfere.

5. Safety:

A. Riding recklessly at club meetings, 4-H shows, etc. could result in loss of participation.

B. Horses should be warmed up in designated areas only. Riding helmets are mandatory at all times while on horseback.

C. All gates will remain closed during the running of speed events. The contestants should not cross the starting line until the gate is closed. Gate must remain closed until the contestant has the horse stopped and under control, then they may exit the arena.

6. Appropriate Tack:

A. Please reference State 4-H Rule Book.

7. Show Fee:

A. A show fee of \$10 per show will be charged to each contestant. The \$10 fee must be paid at the time of pre-registration for each show and each show will have its own pre-registration deadline. **There will no longer be registration available on the day of the show.**

8. 4-H Registration Fee:

A. A registration fee of \$10 & a \$10 Horse fee will be due to the Extension Office to cover insurance etc. at the time of registration.

9. Judges Fee:

A. The Morgan County 4-H Horse 4-H Council will pay each show judge \$100.

10. Show Numbers:

A. Only one set of numbers will be issued to each participant per show. If these are lost, contestant is required to provide a new one.

11. Tests:

A. A written test will be given at every show to encourage the educational component of the 4-H Horse Program. Every youth wanting to participate in a show must take the written test and participate in the Fitting and Showmanship class. This applies even if the contestant is only participating in speed events.

B. Once the test begins, no late-comers will be allowed to take the test or participate in the show.

C. The written test will be read aloud to the Junior group if needed. This is a learning experience and some of the younger participants may have trouble with the wording of some questions.

D. Test questions will be taken out of the Utah 4-H Horse Program Study Material, Volumes 1, 2, & 3. These books are available for purchase at the Morgan County Extension Office.

E. The grading of the tests will be as follows: 80-100% will receive Blue Ribbons, 60-79% will receive Red Ribbons, and 59% and below will receive White Ribbons.

F. Full show attire, including but not limited to: 4-H patch, belt, hat & number must be worn while taking the test. If any items are missing, participant will not be allowed to compete in the show.