

NYS 4-H Advanced Equine Program

Information and Application Packet

Application Due: December 23rd, 2022





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Overview:

The NYS 4-H Horse Advanced Equine Program was developed to create a bridge between the 4-H youth with equine interest and the Equine Industries in NYS. Participants will be expected to join monthly zoom meeting to meet with equine professionals on certain topics, work independently on monthly projects, participate in the NYS 4-H Horse Inservice, complete an interview with an equine professional, and attend an end-of-the-year trip.

Yearly Learning Objectives:

- Participants will work as a group or individually to complete a portfolio of 6 educational assignments that includes a variety of learning goals in areas such as: STEM Education, writing, and leadership development.
- Participants will exhibit independent learning by sourcing, contacting, and arranging an interview with an individual in the equine industry (with the help of the NYS 4-H Equine Youth Specialist and other educators).
- Participants will be prepared with skills needed to succeed in online or virtual learning such as a video call edit, and understanding learning styles.
- Participants will attend a year-end, overnight trip that will focus on connecting youth to various aspects of equine industries to better understand the opportunities available for education and occupations.

Participant Expectations:

- Participants must be 14 years old (4-H age: Age as of January 1st).
- Must be enrolled in the NYS 4-H Program.
- Must have a desire to learn about Equine Science and Equine Industries.
- Must complete and submit an application via email by December 23rd
- Must attend winter team building in Ithaca, NY (or participate as a volunteer at another State level competition).
- Must complete all 5 assignments.

Year End Trip Information:

- Participants that complete the expectations above are eligible to attend the overnight trip to Saratoga Springs, NY, area. More details will be provided as the year goes on.
- The estimated cost of the trip is \$300 per participant. This will include housing, meals, and scheduled activities.
- **Important:** please do not let the cost of the trip deter you from applying, we will work with any participant in financial need. Various scholarships or grants are available.

Proposed Schedule

December 23, 2022	Application Due by 11:59 pm		Sent to email: bh548@cornell.edu
January 11	Intro meeting	6:30pm	
February 11 or 12	Ithaca		Team Building- Inservice Leaders
March 15	Virtual Session	6:30pm	
April 17	Virtual Session	6:30pm	
May 17	Virtual Session	6:30pm	
June 14	Virtual Session	6:30pm	
July 12	Virtual Session	6:30pm	
August 10 – 12	Over Night Trip- Saratoga		Dates may be adjusted to fit participants schedules

Application:

Name: _____

Address: _____ County: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

4-H Age: _____ Birth date: _____ Gender: _____

Home Phone #: _____ Additional Phone #: _____

E-Mail: _____

School Grade: _____ County 4-H Educator: _____

Please choose one of the following questions below and write a 1-page, double spaced essay. Essays should be submitted as a separate attachment in PDF format:

1. What is a leader? What are qualities that a leader must have? Who is a leader you look up to/ respect? Explain a time you were a leader.
2. What is sportsmanship in equestrian sports? Explain why good sportsmanship is important to the sport and industry. Describe a time you exhibited good sportsmanship.
3. What is one law in NYS created that affects horses or horse-people? Describe why this law was created. Explain how you feel this law benefits or incumbers horses or horse people?

Please submit this application via email to Brianna Hughes at bh548@cornell.edu by December 23, 2022. You will receive an email confirming your submission within 24 business hours.