

# Horse Evaluation

## Event Rules

All members participating in this Career Development Event must meet the eligibility requirements and adhere to the rules of the Kentucky FFA Association as outlined in the Rules Governing FFA Activities document.

Number of members on a team: Four (All four scores count toward the team total)

Official Dress Appropriate: No

Regional Event: None

State Event: November- Murray State University

Pre-registration is required for this event. Registration information will be sent to all teachers by the Executive Secretary by October 1.

## EQUIPMENT

Equipment provided by student:

- Clipboard
- # 2 Pencil
- Note Pad for Oral Reasons Notes (may not include any pre-written notes)

Equipment provided at the event site:

- Scantron sheet
- Patterns for any classes that require patterns

## PLACING CLASSES (300 POINTS)

Participants will place three performance classes (four horses per class.) Performance classes may include: Western Horsemanship, Hunt Seat Equitation, Western Pleasure, Western Riding, Reining, English Pleasure (Saddle Seat), Hunter Under Saddle (Hunt Seat), Trail, Hunter Hack, and Ranch Riding.

Participants will place three halter classes (four horses per class.) Halter classes may be represented by the following breeds and types: Quarter Horse, Conformation Hunter, Appaloosa, Arabian, Paint, American Saddlebred, Morgan, Pony of the Americas, Tennessee Walking Horse, and warmblood breeds.

Classes are based on the availability of horses and may change.



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The time given for evaluation of classes will vary depending on the type of class. Normally, the time ranges from 10-15 minutes per class.

All placings for this component will be placed on the scantron form provided to each participant. An example is provided.

## QUESTIONS ON PLACING CLASSES (100 POINTS)

At the conclusion of each placing class, participants will answer two questions about that class.

## ORAL REASONS (100 POINTS)

Participants will take notes on all classes and will prepare and deliver oral reasons on two classes- one halter and one performance. At the conclusion of all placing classes, the two classes for reasons will be identified.

Participants will be given at least fifteen minutes to prepare reasons.

Oral reasons are limited to two minutes per class.

Points will be deducted for participants who utilize notes during the presentation of oral reasons.

## WRITTEN EXAMINATION (100 POINTS)

Participants will take a 25-question multiple choice exam. This will be administered virtually the week of the contest. Participants must take the exam to compete in the contest. No participant substitutions will be made after the exam date.

Resources for the exam will be the same as those provided by National FFA. A link to resources is posted at [www.kyffa.org](http://www.kyffa.org)

## Scoring

Possible score for each participant is 600 points, with a possible team score of 2,400 points.

Teams will be ranked in numerical order, on the basis of the final team score.

Individuals will be ranked in numerical order, on the basis of the final individual score.



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## TIEBREAKER

Team ties will be broken based on the total participant reasons scores.

