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 (The top three 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

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, and Hunter Hack.

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, and Morgan.) All halter classes will be judged as sound.

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.

**ORAL REASONS (100 POINTS)**

Participants will take notes on all classes. At the conclusion of the placing classes, the two classes for reasons will be identified.

Participants will be given fifteen minutes to prepare reasons.

Participants will prepare and deliver oral reasons on two classes of horses- one halter class and one performance class.

Oral reasons are limited to two minutes per class.

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

**Scoring**

Possible score for each participant is 400 points, with a possible team score of 1,200 points.

The top three team members’ scores will count toward the team score.

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.

**TIEBREAKER**

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