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Dear 4-H Horse and Pony Members,

We thank you for taking the time to upload your pictures and turn in your required vaccination forms to the Extension Office. Please note if you gave the vaccination yourself, you will need to present the receipts with the form. Coggins test papers will not be required for the County or State Fair at this time. This letter contains some important information for you regarding the workshops and horse show. **Mini Horse members** complete an entry form and turn it in at the first workshop May 22 as instructed under separate mailing. All members are encouraged to participate in the workshops and it gives your horse the chance to get familiar with the arena.

**DATES TO PUT ON YOUR CALENDAR (all times are 6:30 p.m. unless indicated differently)**

		Horse Indiana <b>State Fair Entry is open</b> <a href="http://www.indianastatefair.com">www.indianastatefair.com</a> to register click on the competition tab, click on 4-H and click species horse)	Entry cost increase significantly after July 1
Wednesday	May 30	Poles and Keyhole Clinic Minis	Show Arena
Monday	June 4	Western Pleasure Clinic – Minis	Show Arena
	<b>June 1-13</b>	Online Entries Due <b>Correction FAIR ENTRY OPEN</b>	<b>June 1 to June 13</b>
Saturday	June 9	Relay for Life	Morgan County F.G.
Tuesday	June 12	<b>Open Arena and Pizza Party WORK SESSION</b>	Show Arena
	<b>June 13</b>	<b>SHOW CLASSES FAIR ENTRY DEADLINE</b>	
Wednesday	June 20	English Pleasure and Jumping Clinic	Show Arena
Monday	June 25	Flags and Barrels Clinic - Minis	Show Arena
Wednesday	June 27	Trail and Patterns Clinic Minis	Show Arena
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>July 7</b>	<b>Western and Mini 4-H SHOW</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b> <b>Mini not prior to 3:00 p.m.</b>
Wednesday	July 11	Open Arena	Show Arena
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>July 14</b>	<b>English and Contesting 4-H SHOW</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b> <b>Contesting not prior to 3:00 p.m.</b>
Sunday	Sept. 23	Fun Show	Show Arena



**MEMBERS (Grade 3-12) PLEASE SIGN UP AT <https://faireentry.com>**

**Opens June 1 closes June 13**

**(Mini members will still do paper entry)**

**NEW THIS YEAR**

Your Show Bill pre-entry forms, as done in the past, will now be done in fair entry. You will select your classes. (Grade division as of January 2018: 4-H **Juniors** are grades 3-7 and **Seniors** are grades 8 and above). Please sign up for all the classes you wish to enter and are eligible for at the time. You can scratch the day of the show. **You can see the video instructions:** <https://youtu.be/nAJN69TIGVE>

**The show committee reserves the right to combine classes of three or less entries and or eliminate classes of three or less.**

**SUGGESTIONS TO FOLLOW WHEN SIGNING UP FOR CLASSES:**

**First year horse and pony members only-**You may show in one of these showmanship classes or in the appropriate grade level showmanship. However, you may only enter **ONE** showmanship class per day. Also, if you were a 2017 showmanship class winner, please use caution to enter the proper class. Remember the rules state you must move up to the next level showmanship in 2018.

**Walk Only or Walk-Trot Only-**(Members who are not comfortable trotting **OR** cantering) Once a member enters walk only OR walk-trot only classes, they must remain in walk only OR walk-trot for the Contesting, Western and English show for the duration of the three day County Fair Shows. Please refer to the walk-trot classes on line. Walk-Trot or all Canter classes (do not double enter in both)

Walk Only you will sign up for one halter class and one showmanship class for the Western and English Show **Contesting Classes**-there will be a walk-trot pole bending, barrel racing, flag racing, keyhole and speed and action. In addition to the contesting rules, if your animal breaks into a canter or is ruled out of control, you will be disqualified from that class.

**It is important that we have fun and be safe. The judge's decisions are final the day of the show and know that this opportunity is a chance to show good sportsmanship.**

**PRACTICE SAFETY**



Please check your 2018 Morgan County 4-H Handbook (available at the Extension Office for \$3.00 or visit us on the website at [www.extension.purdue.edu/morgan](http://www.extension.purdue.edu/morgan) and the Indiana State Horse and Pony rules for clarification for class procedures, acceptable equipment and attire.

- a. Approved Protective Headgear – American Society for testing and Materials (ASTM) standard F1163 certified helmet must be worn at all times while the member is mounted on the horse or in harness driving. The approved helmet must be in place and fastened while members are mounted.
- b. Proper Footwear of Western, Hunt or Jodhpur boots with a heel, headgear, tack, shirt and long sleeve and long pants are required in order to participate. **No Muck Boot. "Rules governing headgear and boots are mandatory at all 4-H Horse and Pony events."** This rule applies at all 4-H Horse and Pony events. Please refer to page 6 of the Indiana 4-H Horse and Pony Handbook.
- c. Place plenty of space between horses in classes (we have new members and new horses).
- d. Known KICKERS – must wear a red bow in tail at all times at all 4-H activities, workshops and events (even when tied to trailer). If your horse kicks in a class you will be excused from that class and your horse must return to the next entered class with a red bow. If your horse kicks at a workshop, you must leave the arena and return with a red bow.

**DAY OF THE SHOW**

- **Arrive early** to view your showmanship patterns and to be ready when your class is called. It is better for you and your horse to have a great experience.
- **Scratch a class** when you arrive if you know you will not be participating in this class.
- **Two-minute gate call** (time limit) will be enforced for each class. Two minute gate call begins when the first horse in the class enters the arena. If you have a tack change between classes, please let us know ahead of time. Your tack will need to be at the gate awaiting the animal for the change to commence. At that point, you will be given a three minute gate call. Please pay attention to the announcer and help keep the show moving.

Only 4-H horse and pony members may ride or drive 4-H animals on the show grounds. No horses are to be ridden north of the road. Horses must be led to and mounted on the south side. Lunging is permitted on the north side or the road. During the Mini horse show/workshop members are asked to respect the event.

The 4-H animal exhibitor may receive **clipping and grooming** assistance only from their immediate family which is defined as a father, mother, legal guardian, stepfather, stepmother, brother, sister, grandfather, grandmother, aunt or uncle or from another Morgan County, Indiana 4-H exhibitor. Guardianships granted on a temporary basis for the purpose of circumventing these terms and conditions will not be recognize as "family" (Refer to the State Fair Book) Any exhibitor found in violation is subject to sanction and/or disqualification.

Horses should be **tied to a secure area** (not to trees). **NO pets are allowed on the fairgrounds including dogs.**

**Violations of these rules will result in the following:**

- 1) **A Warning**
- 2) **4-H Member will be asked to leave the horse and pony show. Accumulations of infractions will include violations by family members.**

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Class winners will receive a blank **thank you note** to be completed and returned to the announcer's booth when picking up your trophy.

**During fair week:** *If you would like to display your horse during the week of the fair in one of the 5 horse stalls and answer questions please sign up at the show. (You will stay with the animal during the day you sign up).*



**Volunteers needed the day of shows!**

Sincerely,

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[Horse and Pony Records Sheets](#)  
turn into your club leader  
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by the last horse show.

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