

Junior Division Horse and Pony (Equine)-2024

Place: 4-H Horse Arena

Committee: Horse Council

Check-in: Sunday, July 28, 10:00 am-4:00 pm

Nonrefundable \$10 equine fee per equine due at time of check in.

Release Time: Sunday, August 4 8:00 pm

Show Dates & Times: Monday, July 29, 9:00 am; Tuesday, July 30, 8:00 am; Wednesday, July 31 8:00 am; Thursday, August 1, 11:00 am, Friday, August 2, 9:00 am

Championship Show: Friday, August 2, 3:00 pm Championship Classes – Schedule Below.

Flag Ceremony, Awards & Recognitions on Championship Show Day after Showmanship Classes.

(Please Dress in Show Clothes) and Stick Horse Competition.

All youths age 19 and under, participating in any 4-H equestrian activity, are required to wear properly fitted protective headgear which meets or exceeds current ASTM/SEI standards with the chin harness securely fastened at all times while riding or driving an equine. 4-H 179-Uniform Rules for 4-H Horse Shows. And complete Safety Education Program on EquiStep.

General Rules:

1. **Equine includes Horse, Pony, Mule, Donkey, Mini Equine includes Mini Horse, Mini Mule, and Mini Donkey**, All Mini and Full-Size Donkey's & Mules will show in respected classes with horses. All horse rules apply.
2. **The 4-H 179-Uniform Rules for 4-H Horse Shows are the basis for shows conducted by the Medina County Horse and Pony Council and available from the Extension Office. If county rules and state rules differ, the one which is stricter supersedes.**
3. It is recommended that horse and pony clubs have a minimum of 5 horse project-related members and one adult advisor.
4. Review Regulations for All Junior Fair Livestock Exhibitors and Uniform Rules for 4-H Horse Shows.
5. Exhibitors must be enrolled in a 4-H or FFA club and a horse (equine) project. All exhibitors are encouraged to complete the project book, record book and Skillathon. However, in order to be eligible for Championships or Top 5 Awards the exhibitor **MUST** complete both the Skillathon and the record book by deadline (date to be decided) **Class check in form is due at Skillathon. Changes may be made up to 5 classes prior to start of requested class. Horses names that are entered in Fair Entry are the name(s) that must be on Check in form and is the name that will be announced during fair.**
6. Exhibitors must own or lease equine prior to **June 1** of the project year. Each exhibitor may **ONLY** show one leased equine and 1 mini equine although there is no limit to how many may be leased. Each project animal that you intend to show, and any designated backup animals must be identified on the Junior Fair Horse Entry. **NOTE:** All Permission to Participate Forms are due by 5:00pm, April 15. Junior Fair Horse Entries and Horse Project Pictures are due online by 11:59 pm, **June 1**. Only project animals or designated backup animals declared by **June 1** of the current year may show at PAS Shows and Medina County Fair.
 - **Please Note:** When June 1 falls on a Saturday or Sunday, the deadline moves to 5:00 pm on the next business day (i.e., Monday).
7. Exhibitors **leasing a project animal** must have a signed lease agreement submitted with Jr. Fair Horse Entry by 11:59 pm, June 1. (See 4-H 179-Uniform Rules for 4-H Horse Show – under **Ownership**.)
8. Lessons, instruction, and advice for the exhibitors are encouraged. As long as the exhibitor is present, in a learning situation, such assistance can include occasional riding or handling of the equine by another person but cannot include regular training and care of the equine within 30 days of competition in a State Fair Qualifying Show (PAS), County Junior Fair Horse Show or the State Fair Junior Horse Show.
- Showing an exhibitor's project animal in a class at a show is not considered training. **However, if the project animal is shown by someone other than the 4-H member in an open or breed show within 30 days prior to the 4-H competition, the 4-H member MUST be present and show the project horse in that same show.**

9. Unsportsmanlike conduct will not be tolerated at any 4-H/Jr. Fair Horse activity and must be brought to the immediate attention of the executive council and reported to the 4-H Extension Educator within 24 hours in writing and may result in police action. Unsportsmanlike conduct defined as:
 - a. Use of profanity.
 - b. Physical or verbal abuse directed toward a judge; steward; show committee member; 4-H volunteers or professionals; or the exhibitor, exhibitor's parent, or project animal.
 - c. Destruction or theft of property.
10. Any violation of the above conditions during the Medina County Fair **and** will be dealt with according to the general *Regulations for All Junior Fair Livestock Exhibitors*. Violations occurring at any time other than the Medina County Fair may result in disciplinary action up to and including expulsion from present, current, and future Medina County Junior Fair Horse and Pony Shows, which may include forfeiting titles, trophies, and ribbons. The final decision and any disciplinary action based on the interpretation of the situation will be decided by Medina County 4-H Horse Council's Executive Committee, 4-H Extension Educator, and the Jr. Fair Committee of the Senior Fair Board.
11. Winning 4-H plan must be completed and turned into the 4-H Professional for any accommodations that need to be made for special needs and should be brought to the attention of the show committee who will then inform the judge.
12. **Electronic devices, including, but not limited to cell phones, iPods, and go-pro cameras are prohibited at all times while mounted.**
13. Failure to wear your assigned number or wearing an incorrect number in a class is a disqualification of the exhibitor for that class. (4-H 179-Uniform Rules for 4-H Horse Shows)
14. All vehicles must be removed from inside the fairgrounds and parked outside the gate in the parking lot no later than 11AM during fair week.
15. Hardship deadline is July 1st.

Horse Council Fair Week Rules–2024

Exhibitors:

Review Regulations for All Junior Fair Livestock Exhibitors in the current year.

1. Rider must wear boots when riding, handling, lunging and working in stalls with equine.
2. Equine must have proper tack for safety purposes, such as saddle and bridle. Bareback riding is permissible, as long as a proper headstall is used and **only** in the show ring and practice rings, mount and dismount in the ring. In addition, protective headgear as described in General Rule 1 is required.
3. Exhibitors must ride their own project equine only **until after the Championship show**. Friends and relatives are not permitted to ride on the fairgrounds **excluding during Alumni Show**.
 - Safety concerns before Championship Show: Approval from 2 advisors from different clubs to allow a qualified adult to ride project animal for safety evaluation.
4. No equine on Midway or on the west side of (equine) horse barns: 7, 8, and 9. No leaving equine unattended in any area outside of the stall.
5. Exhibitors are expected to respect the authority of **all** 4-H volunteers.
6. No riding double.
7. All equine must be in place by 4:00 pm the Sunday before Fair. Late placing will disqualify the exhibitor **unless prior approval has been given from the Senior Fair Board**. Exhibitors violating any Medina County Fair rule will be prohibited from showing and forfeit all awards.
8. **Reasons for early release:**
 - a. **Unsafe animal:** Any equine deemed unsafe or uncontrollable by at least 2 advisors will be presented to Senior Fair Board's Junior Fair Committee, the 4-H Extension Educator, and the Fair Veterinarian for consideration.
 - **If released, an animal cannot return to the Medina County Fair that year.**

- a. **Unhealthy animal:** Your veterinarian of choice may examine and treat your equine on the fairgrounds.
 - **Early Release must be the decision of the Fair Veterinarian only, Sr. Fair Board and 4-H Educator.**
 - **If released, an animal cannot return to the Medina County Fair that year.**
 - b. **If a equine is removed without proper procedure, the exhibitor will be disqualified; will forfeit all ribbons and trophies; and cannot show any animal at the Medina County Fair the following year.**
9. **ALL mounted equine outside of the ring must move at a walk.**
 10. Lunging is allowed in designated areas only.
 11. Taking the halter off your equine and turning your equine loose in the ring or round pen is not allowed.
 - a. Exception: During Liberty Class.
 12. Spectators **must** stay away from the paddock "IN" and "OUT" gates and off the rail.
 13. Exhibitors display and show their animals at their own risk. There is no insurance coverage. Security against loss or theft is the owner's responsibility.

Round Pens:

14. You must wear boots; your equine must have a halter on.
15. This pen is for lunging and exercising your equine. No riding in the round pen.
16. Equine must be longed by exhibitor. An immediate family member or advisor is allowed to longe the animal if the exhibitor is present.
17. If someone is waiting to use the pen, there is a maximum of 15 minutes to occupy it.
18. **The exhibitor must be present. You may not leave your equine and come back later.**
19. First-come; first-serve. No saving spots in line.

Barns:

20. Organizational Advisors will determine which members are to stall animals at the fair.
21. **State Fair Participants are allowed to remove their equine for competition and return to the County Fair when their State Fair Classes are over.**
22. All equine entering a barn must be un-mounted.
23. No cross-tying in the aisles at any time.
24. No trimming equine in aisles or around barns from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.
25. No alcoholic beverages or illegal substances permitted.
26. No smoking or vaping in barns.
27. **All decorations must be removed and stalls stripped by Tuesday after fair or will be taken down and thrown away.**

Show Arena Practice Schedule will be posted at the Entry Booth. Times will be announced. Schedule and times subject to change. There must be a Horse Club Advisor or parent present to supervise practice.

County Fair Class Rules:

1. Undersized equine may show in Horse (Equine) Classes within a division for the entire year, if the exhibitor indicates this on their Membership Card. **All ponies 58" (14-2) and under must be measured before they will be permitted in Junior Fair Pony Classes. Measuring will be done by a show executive before being shown.** Undersized horses (equine) that show in Horse Equitation/Horsemanship or Pleasure Classes may not cross enter Pony Equitation/Horsemanship or Pleasure Classes. **This does not include call back classes.**
2. If a class is split because of size (21 or greater), participants will be assigned **by Fair Entry** to class split A or B. Each split class will be placed and awarded ribbons 1-10. If the class is eligible for the Championship Show, the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th place contestants in each split will be eligible for the Championship Show.
3. All classes not requiring remaining in ring may show multiple project animals.
4. The same horse/pony may not cross enter between Ranch & Non-Ranch Western classes for Showmanship, Horsemanship or Western Pleasure at the same show. For example: Exhibitor cannot show the same equine in Western Pleasure and Ranch Pleasure.

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4. A 2-minute gate rule will be strictly enforced for all classes.
5. Fair week patterns will be created and distributed by the Horse Council Judges Committee.

Walk-Trot Classes:

1. For clarification purposes **Walk-Trot** refers to the experience level of the rider; once a rider progresses to a Canter Class, at ANY judged show, they may not go back to Walk-Trot. A rider may stay in Walk-Trot for **2 years** of showing, which includes Walk-Trot Showmanship, after which a **Walk-Trot Rider** must go into a Canter Class. If a rider chooses to show in Walk-Trot Showmanship only in the 2-year period, it will qualify as showing 1 year of Walk-Trot.
2. **Walk-Trot Riders** are not eligible for Championship Show Riding Classes.
3. **Walk-Trot** division exhibitors may enter **either**: age division Showmanship Classes which are eligible for Championship Show **or Walk-Trot Showmanship** which is not eligible for the Championship Show but does count for Top 5 Awards. If an exhibitor chooses to show in Walk-Trot showmanship, they must choose only 1 showmanship class, either the English/Western class or the Ranch class.
4. **Walk-Trot Riders are eligible for Top 5 Riders' Awards (same equine and rider team)** for ages 8-10 and ages 11-18. These awards will be based on the combined points from W/T Showmanship (E&W), W/T Equitation (E&W), W/T Ranch Classes, and W/T Pleasure (E&W) classes for riders ages 8-10 and ages 11-18.
5. The same horse/pony may not cross enter between Ranch & Non-Ranch Western classes for Showmanship, Horsemanship or Western Pleasure at the same show. See County Fair Class Rule 4 for additional clarification. Walk-Trot must choose only one division of showmanship (English/Western or Ranch Showmanship per equine)
6. In addition to the Walk-Trot Trail and Walk-Trot Gymkhana Classes, riders may also enter Costume-Lead In, Pajama Showmanship, and Barb Nixon Memorial Showmanship.
7. **Walk-Trot Trail & Gymkhana Classes** may show in either English or Western attire and tack. No crops allowed. Exhibitors may be led into the ring by a handler.
8. No Horsemanship or Equitation patterns will be used for Walk-Trot riders.
9. Walk-Trot classes follow their respective class rules in Uniform Rules for 4-H Shows without the lope or canter requirement.

Other Classes:

1. **Fun Classes** do not qualify for the Championship Show but will be awarded 1st-10th place ribbons. Class Routines will be announced in the ring by the judge.
 - a. **Costume Class-Lead In** is open to Jr. Fair Horse Exhibitors. Boots required. Class will be judged on originality, creativity, and safety.
 - b. **Pajama Showmanship** is open to all exhibitors. Boots required.
 - c. **Egg and Spoon** is open to all exhibitors in accordance with their respective divisions. Boots required.
2. **Pleasure Driving** refer to: 4-H 179-Uniform Rules for 4-H Horse Shows. Adult headers will be permitted in all Driving Classes. A header is an attendant that is permitted to enter the ring after all entries have finished their ring work and are lined up waiting to demonstrate the back. Headers may quietly enter the ring from the side gate located by the Entry Booth. Headers shall stand 2-3 feet in front of the equine's head. The attendant must take no action that will affect the performance of any equine. Headers shall be neatly dressed in appropriate attire. Any passenger must be an adult (18 or older—if passenger is a current 4-H or FFA member they must wear a helmet).
3. **English Equitation Medals Classes** shall proceed at least once at each gait, on command,

reverse and repeat. Reverse either toward or away from the rail. Equine shall be required to back in a straight line.

Stock Seat Medals Class shall proceed at least once at each gait on command reverse and repeat and halt on command. Reverse away from the rail. Equine shall be required to back in a straight line.

For All Medals Classes:

- a. **Class shall be lined up. One or more tests shall be required of all contestants.**
- b. **Tests for riders shall be announced to the riders after they are lined up. Contestants may ask questions to clarify directions at that time. (The test can be posted at least 1 hour before the class at the judge's discretion.)**
- c. **Tests may be performed either collectively or individually.**
- d. **When the first rider begins their work, no further questions may be asked, nor may any riders be coached from the rail. Outside assistance will be penalized at the judge's discretion.**
- e. **The rail work shall count 50% and individual workout 50% of the rider's total score.**
- f. **Additional tests may be required of the Top Riders.**
- g. **Question(s) may be asked regarding Basic Horsemanship, tack and equipment and conformation.**

▪ **Tests from which the judge may choose:**

○ **For Saddle Seat Equitation**

- a. Pick up reins. (only in line-up)
- b. Back for not more than 8 steps.
- c. Performance on rail.
- d. Performance around ring.
- e. Figure 8 at trot, demonstrating change of diagonals.
- f. Figure 8 at canter on a correct lead demonstrating simple change of lead.
- g. Execute serpentine at a trot. (A series of left and right half circles off center of imaginary line where correct diagonal must be shown.)
- h. Execute serpentine at a canter on correct lead demonstrating a simple change of lead. Change leads down center of ring demonstrating simple change of lead. (The judge must specify exact lead changes to be executed and the beginning lead.)
- i. Change of diagonals down center of ring or on rail.
- j. Ride without stirrups for a brief period of time, at any gait requested. (For not more than 1 minute at the trotting phase.) Riders may be asked to engage stirrups at a halt or walk.
- k. Circle at the canter on the correct lead.
- l. Circle at a trot.
- m. *Demonstration ride of approximately 1 minute. (**See note below.**)

○ **For Hunt Seat Equitation**

- a. Halt 4-6 seconds and/or back.
- b. Hand gallop.
- c. Figure 8 at trot, demonstrating change of diagonals.
- d. Figure 8 at canter on correct lead demonstrating simple change of lead.
- e. Work collectively at the walk, trot, or canter.
- f. Turn on the forehand.
- g. Ride without stirrups, rider must be allowed option to cross stirrups.
- h. Dismount and mount. Individually.
- i. Turn on the haunches from the walk.
- j. Figure 8 at canter on correct lead demonstrating flying change of lead.
- k. Change leads down center of ring demonstrating a simple change of lead.
- l. Canter on counter lead.
- m. Execute serpentine at a trot and/or canter on correct lead

- demonstrating simple or flying changes of lead
- n. Demonstration ride of approximately 1 minute. (**See note below.**)
- o **For Stock Seat Equitation**
 - a. Individual performance on the rail.
 - b. Figure 8 at the jog.
 - c. Lope and stop.
 - d. Figure 8 at the lope on correct lead, demonstrating simple change of lead.
 - e. Roll backs.
 - f. Back.
 - g. Figure 8 at lope on correct lead, demonstrating flying change of lead.
 - h. Change leads down center of ring demonstrating simple change of lead.
 - i. Ride Serpentine course, demonstrating change of lead at each change of direction.
 - j. Execute 360 degree turns (spins).
 - k. *Demonstration ride of approximately 1 minute. (**See note below.**)

***Demonstrate ride Saddle Seat/Hunt Seat/Stock Seat** – A 1 minute Work Program must be written on a paper and presented to the judge upon judge's request. This may be requested of the top percent of the class. Keep your 1-minute Work Program in your pocket until requested by the judge. **Subject to disqualification without pattern.**

- a. Movements must be selected from tests for the seat you are showing.
- b. Rider must advise judge beforehand what ride they plan to demonstrate.
- c. Rider must have with them a copy of a 1-minute workout in case the judge asks for this test.
- d. This test must be stopped at the end of 1 minute, but the rider will not be penalized for not completing it.

If you place 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th in Saddle Seat Equitation Medals, Hunt Seat Equitation Medals, or Stock Seat Equitation Medals, you are eligible for the Championship Show Equitation/Horsemanship Class for your age division and discipline. **You must show the same equine and seat you qualified in.**

4. **Discipline Classes-English and Western***

This is not a fault-and-out class and shall not be judged on an elimination basis. Exhibitors will be judged on the equine's performance and manners. The judge may ask exhibitors to perform the following as a class or individually:

- a. Short walk, strong trot/jog*, or canter/lope*.
- b. Canter/Lope* from a halt.
- c. Counter canter/lope on the opposite lead*. (Starting and traveling on an incorrect lead.)
- d. Turn on forehand and/or turn on hindquarters.
- e. Dismount and mount (either side).
- f. Stand quietly.
- g. Side pass (both left and right).
- h. Leg-yield both left and right on the rail and/or on a diagonal (once each way).
- i. Shoulders-in and/or haunches-in and/or out at a walk or trot.

If you place 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th in Discipline Classes, you are eligible for the Championship Show Pleasure Class for your age division and discipline. **You must show the same equine and seat you qualified in.**

- 5. **Easy Gaited** may not cross enter Equitation and Pleasure Classes. Easy Gaited equine may enter: Showmanship, Trail, Gymkhana, Reining and Fun Classes including Egg and Spoon (Walk-Trot Class only...no cantering). If there is an easy gaited version of the class, the rider cannot cross enter into the walk-trot-canter version of the class. If there is not an easy gaited version of the class, the rider can cross enter.
- 6. **Reining Classes** are divided by experience level into classes for Beginning, Intermediate and Advanced. Beginning use pattern A, Intermediate run pattern B, and Advanced use pattern C. These patterns are progressive, and riders will generally need 1 year to advance in skill to the next class. The same rider and equine can enter only 1 Reining Class per show. Horsemanship skills

and form in each movement of the pattern will be stressed in judging. If you receive 1st, 2nd or a score of 70 or better in your Reining Class you must move up to the next level the following year. There will be a 30 second gate on all Reining Classes.

7. **Liberty Class** does not qualify for the Championship Show. Exhibitor must be 14-18 years old as of January 1 of current year. Class is limited to 20 entries, One entry per member, and ONLY the exhibitor must wear the back number. Liberty is demonstrating the natural beauty of the equine. Equine are judged on style, grace, animation, gaits, and presence. Open to any breed of mares or geldings. Competitors will perform to the music of their choice (music & written lyrics must be pre- approved by the Executive Committee and is due by 5:00 pm, **Prior to the performance**). Equine must be 4 years of age or over, shown without tack or equipment (exception being protective leg wraps and bell boots). Equine may be decorated according to their respective breed or musical theme. A maximum time limit of 2 minutes is allowed per equine; official time begins when the halter is removed from the equine. Equine must perform all its natural gaits in both directions. Equine may receive cues from whip, but whip cannot touch the equine's body. Two handlers per equine are allowed in the ring with the equine. Exhibitor and Handler must be 14 years old or older. **Boots are required for both the exhibitor and handler. Helmets Required** Handlers may not touch, ride, or handle the equine at any time after their music starts. Spectators and/or gate crew must not interfere with the performance of a horse or exhibitor while in the ring during the class which includes no kissing, talking to the horse, etc. **Equine must be caught and haltered by the exhibitor within 2 minutes after the music stops or the entry will be disqualified.** If the judge and steward determine the performance is unsafe, the class will be stopped at their discretion.
8. **Mini Equine Classes Exhibitors (same equine and handler)** are eligible for Mini Top 5 Exhibitors Awards. These awards will be based on the combined points from mini showmanship, mini pleasure driving, mini hunter, and mini obstacle classes. Mini equine may not cross enter any other classes . Halters must be leather, nylon or rope. Trail in Hand: A lead must be at least 12 feet long but not more than 25 feet with no chain on lead. Hunter exhibitors **may NOT** go over the Jumps with the equine and whips **are NOT** permitted.
9. **Free Style Reining** does not qualify you for the Championship Show. Competitors will perform to music of their choice (music, lyrics, pattern, and props must be approved by the Executive Committee and turned in by 5:00 pm, **Prior to the performance**). Props may be used with prior approval of Horse Council Executive Committee. Time limit is 3 minutes. Costumes are optional. Only 1 rider on 1 equine; no dismounting, no other people in the ring. **Bridleless are allowed but Western bridle/halter required to enter and exit arena.**

Reining: The rider pilots the equine through a prescribed pattern which has been given to the Show Steward 2 classes prior to the time the class is called. The class will be judged on the smoothness, finesse, attitude, quickness, and authority of performing various maneuvers.

Required Maneuvers: Two spins to the right, 2 spins to the left, 3 sliding stops, 1 flying lead change at the canter from right to left, 1 flying lead change at the canter from left to right. Extra points will be given for Roll back, Back Up, Speed Variations, Half Pass and Side Pass.
10. **Trail 3 refusals TOTAL** on entire course will result in elimination. Further information concerning this class can be found in 4-H 179-Uniform Rules for 4-H Horse Shows.
11. **Hunt Seat Equitation Over Fences and Working Hunter Over Fences** do not qualify for the Championship Show. Riders are eligible for Top 5 Jumper Awards. Only First Year Jumping **Riders must be enrolled in 180-Learning to Jump.** Equine and rider combination may enter only 1 Equitation Class and only 1 Working Hunter Class with the exception of the Warm-Up class. The Warm-Up Cross Rails class is open to all exhibitors in all levels. The Beginner Cross Rails class may not cross enter into any other jumping class with the exception of the Warm-Up class. Further information concerning these classes can be found in 4-H 179-Uniform Rules for 4-H Horse Shows. **It is highly recommended that participants thoroughly review the information in the rulebook before participating in this class.**
12. **Gymkhana Classes** do not qualify for the Championship Show. Riders are eligible for Top 5 Junior and Top 5 Senior Gymkhana Rider Awards (**same equine and rider team**). Further information concerning these classes can be found in 4-H 179-Uniform Rules for 4-H Horse Shows. **It is highly recommended participants thoroughly review the information in the rule**

book before participating in these classes. There will be a 30 second gate on all Gymkhana Classes. No Batons, Crops, Etc. See 4-H 179-*Uniform Rules for 4-H Horse Shows*.

13. **Flag Race** class consists of three barrels that are placed in a triangle pattern as in the barrels pattern. The pattern will be set to fit the arena, with no barrel closer than 15' from any fence. Flag is to be picked up at the first barrel, contestant to proceed around the second barrel and deposit flag in container on third barrel and then cross finish line. Containers for the flags shall be at least the size of a two-gallon bucket (plastic or rubber). Material in container (to about 1" from top) should be suitable material to allow flag to be easily removed and stuck, i.e., soybeans, corn, wheat, loose sand. Flag sticks should be 18" in length with about ½" round dowel and blunt ends. The container must be set on the outer edge of the barrel and the flag in the outer edge of the container. The same flags will be used by all contestants in a class. If a flag breaks during the run, the rider will be given a rerun. Rider may run the course to the right or left. The rider must signal to the ring crew if they will be running right or left.

Disqualifications:

Dropping the flag

Flag not staying in the stuck position in the material inside the container on the third barrel

Not going around the second barrel

Knocking over any flag container

Knocking over any barrel

Using the flag for a bat

Running off course

Separation of rider and horse/pony during the timing period

14. Classical Dressage I, Classical Dressage II, Western Dressage I, Western Dressage II

1. Any rider wishing to participate in the Medina County 4-H Dressage Show, must have been enrolled in the Dressage (4-H 189) project book for at least one project year. Only First Year Dressage Riders must be enrolled in 4-H 189.
2. Riders participating in Dressage for the second year or more may not be enrolled in the Dressage project book.
3. Classical Dressage and Western Dressage classes do not qualify for the championship show. Riders are eligible for the Top 5 Dressage Rider Awards (same equine and rider team).
4. Rider and horse team may enter in up to two Classical Dressage and two Western Dressage classes. Riders are not to repeat the test from the previous class. There is an inherent numerical advantage in riding in two classes. Tests used for Classical Dressage are the USDF tests, which are updated every 4 years. Classical Dressage tests acceptable for our arena are: Training Level 1, Training Level 2, Training Level 3, First Level 1, and First Level 2. Tests used for Western Dressage are the WDAA tests, which remain in effect for at least 4 years. Western Dressage tests acceptable for our arena are: Basic Level 1, Basic Level 2, Basic Level 3, Basic Level 4, Level 1 Test 1, and Level 1 Test 2.
5. Riders must register for their classes in Fair Entry by June 1st (does not include tests). Riders will be contacted by the Dressage Committee through phone call or email and must indicate which tests they would like to ride, one test per class entered. Riders must respond with which tests they choose to enter by July 1st. Riders are not to repeat the test from the previous class. The test for the second class must be at least one test higher than the test for the first class. Any accommodations needed for ride times must be requested to the Dressage Committee prior to the first day of Fair.
6. After achieving a score of 70% or higher, the horse must move up to the next test.
7. Ride times for the Dressage classes will be posted at the entry booth on Monday of Fair, by 5 pm. Times will also be posted on the Horse Council Facebook page. Once times are posted, they will *not* change. If a rider scratches, it will not affect the other riders' times. Scratches must be reported to the entry booth. If the rider immediately following a scratched time chooses to

ride early, they may do so, but they will not be required to ride at the earlier time.

8. Riders are judged against the other riders in the same class even though the tests ridden may not be the same. Scoring is based on a percentage of points earned.

9. Dressage riders are strongly encouraged to assist with the Dressage ring setup on Thursday evening of Fair following the conclusion of the Gymkhana classes. Once the ring has been set up, Dressage riders are allowed to practice in the arena as long as a 4-H horse club advisor is present at the arena. Once the arena is dragged, the practice time is concluded and no rider may enter the ring until the onset of the Dressage show Friday morning. 10. A mandatory bit check will occur Friday at 8:30 am prior to the start of the show. Riders must bring their bridle(s) with bit(s) to the entry booth (horse does not need to be present). If a rider fails to have their bit checked by 9 am, they will not be allowed to show in the Dressage classes.

10. Riders may have a reader call their tests. The rider must provide material for the reader, show officials do not supply it. If a rider needs a reader, a show official may read but the rider must still provide the material for them.

15. **Versatility Class** (limit 20). In Medina County the following classes are proposed for **2024. English Showmanship, English Pleasure, Western Horsemanship, and key hole.**

1. This competition is designed to motivate the riders to broaden their horsemanship. It creates the opportunity for the riders to develop new skills and to further train their equine.
2. Open to ages 14-18 who qualified and showed in the Championship Show.
3. An exhibitor in their last year of Jr. Fair, (18 years of age on January 1 of current year) will be allowed to enter Versatility Class if he/she meets the following requirements:
 - a. Has never shown in the Versatility Class.
 - b. During Fair Week has entered a minimum of 2 riding classes.
4. Each rider must show all 4 events using the same equine in each event. No changing clothes or tack outside the ring between classes. No motorized vehicles allowed in the Show Ring at any time. There will be a 5 minute break between each class for tack and clothing change, **in the ring only**. Failure to complete tack change/clothing change, will disqualify the exhibitor from the current Versatility Class. Failure to complete all 4 classes, unless excused by the Judge and recorded by the Show Steward, will disqualify the exhibitor from showing in Versatility the following year. Each entry will be permitted 2 grooms to help them during breaks. **If the equine, rider leaves the ring or chute area for any reason, you will be disqualified.** The original equipment contained in the wheelbarrow at the beginning of the class shall remain the same until the end of the class, no additions, deletions or substitutions allowed. Water for equine and rider is permitted. The judge will place each class 1-10 (10 points for 1st, 9 points for 2nd, etc.). Points are totaled for all 4 classes to determine the winner.
5. The Versatility Class Winner will be the equine and rider accumulating the most points in the 4 events combined. Lower placings will similarly be determined. In the event of a tie in the number of points, the exhibitor with the highest score in Horsemanship will determine the winner.
6. If you competed in Ranch Horsemanship during the week, you are permitted to show in the Horsemanship portion of Versatility if you qualified for the Versatility class.

16. **Barb Nixon Memorial Western Showmanship** – Required attire for participation is a white button shirt and jeans. Cross entry is allowed.

Monday: 2024 Queen and/or Horseman Presentation

Friday Awards: Horse Judging Team, Horse Bowl Team, Hippology, State Fair Participants, Competition Teams, Free Style Reining, Barn Decorations, Sportsmanship and Scholarship, Perfect score Skillathon.

	Monday, July 31, 9:00 a.m.		
Class		Animal	Exhibitor's Age
101	English Showmanship Hunt Seat	Equine Horse & Pony	16-18
102	English Showmanship Hunt Seat	Equine Horse & Pony	14-15
103	English Showmanship Hunt Seat	Equine Horse & Pony	08-13
104	English Showmanship Saddle Seat	Equine Horse & Pony	All Ages
105	English Equitation Saddle Seat	Equine/Horse & Pony	All Ages
106	English Pleasure Saddle Seat	Equine/Horse & Pony	All Ages
107	English Equitation Hunt Seat	Equine/Horse	16-18
108	English Equitation Hunt Seat	Equine/Horse	14-15
109	English Equitation Hunt Seat	Equine/Horse	08-13
110	English Equitation Hunt Seat	Equine Pony	All Ages
111	Working Hunter Under Saddle	Equine/Horse	16-18
112	Working Hunter Under Saddle	Equine/Horse	14-15
113	Working Hunter Under Saddle	Equine/Horse	08-13
114	Working Hunter Under Saddle	Equine Pony	All Ages
115	English Equitation Medals (HS/SS)	Equine/Horse & Pony	All Ages
116	English Discipline	Equine/Horse & Pony	All Ages
117	Light Horse & Pony Pleasure Driving	Equine Horse & Pony	All Ages
118	Driving Reinsmanship	Equine/Horse & Pony	All Ages
119	Easy Gaited Equitation (W/SS)**	Equine/Horse & Pony	All Ages
120	Easy Gaited Pleasure (W/SS)**	Equine/Horse & Pony	All Ages
121	Egg and Spoon	Equine/Horse & Pony	08-13
122	Egg and Spoon	Equine/Horse & Pony	14-18
123	Egg and Spoon Easy Gaited-No Canter	Equine/Horse & Pony	All Ages
124	Trail	Equine/Horse & Pony	14-18
125	Trail	Equine/Horse & Pony	08-13

Class	Tuesday, July 30, 8:00 a.m. Horse Arena	Animal	Exhibitor's Age
201	Western Showmanship	Equine/Horse & Pony	16-18
202	Western Showmanship	Equine/Horse & Pony	14-15
203	Western Showmanship	Equine/Horse & Pony	08-13
204	Western Ranch Showmanship	Equine/Horse & Pony	16-18
205	Western Ranch Showmanship	Equine/Horse & Pony	14-15
206	Western Ranch Showmanship	Equine/Horse & Pony	08-13
207	Western Horsemanship	Equine/Horse	16-18
208	Western Horsemanship	Equine/Horse	14-15
209	Western Horsemanship	Equine/Horse	08-13
210	Western Horsemanship	Equine Pony	All Ages
211	Western Pleasure	Equine/Horse	16-18
212	Western Pleasure	Equine/Horse	14-15
213	Western Pleasure	Equine/Horse	08-13
214	Western Pleasure	Equine Pony	All Ages
215	Ranch Horsemanship	Equine/Horse	16-18
216	Ranch Horsemanship	Equine/Horse	14-15
217	Ranch Horsemanship	Equine/Horse	08-13
218	Ranch Horsemanship	Pony	All Ages
219	Ranch Riding (No Cross Entering)	Equine Horse & Pony	16-18
220	Ranch Riding (No Cross Entering)	Equine Horse & Pony	14-15
221	Ranch Riding (No Cross Entering)	Equine Horse & Pony	08-13
222	Ranch Horse Pleasure (No Cross Entering)	Equine Horse	16-18
223	Ranch Horse Pleasure (No Cross Entering)	Equine Horse	14-15
224	Ranch Horse Pleasure (No Cross Entering)	Equine Horse	08-13
225	Stock Seat Equitation Medals	Equine Horse & Pony	All Ages
226	Western Discipline	Equine Horse & Pony	All Ages
227	Barb Nixon memorial Western Showmanship	Equine Horse & Pony	14-18
228	Barb Nixon memorial Western Showmanship	Equine Horse & Pony	08-13

229	Beginning Reining Pattern, A	Equine Horse & Pony	All Ages
230	Intermediate Reining Pattern, B	Equine Horse & Pony	All Ages
231	Advanced Reining Pattern, C	Equine Horse & Pony	All Ages
232	Liberty	Equine Horse & Pony	14-18

Class	Wednesday, July 31, 8:00 am Horse Arena	Animal	Exhibitor's Age
301	Mini Horse (Equine) Showmanship	Equine Mini	All ages
302	Walk-Trot Showmanship English or Western	Equine/Horse & Pony	11-18
303	Walk-Trot Showmanship English or Western	Equine/Horse & Pony	08-10
304	Walk-Trot Western Ranch Showmanship	Equine/Horse & Pony	11-18
305	Walk-Trot Western Ranch Showmanship	Equine/Horse & Pony	08-10
306	Mini Horse (Equine)Pleasure Driving	Equine Mini	All Ages
307	English Equitation Walk-Trot	Equine/Horse & Pony	11-18
308	English Equitation Walk-Trot	Equine/Horse & Pony	08-10
309	English Pleasure Walk-Trot	Equine/Horse & Pony	11-18
310	English Pleasure Walk-Trot	Equine/Horse & Pony	08-10
311	Walk-Trot Trail	Equine/Horse & Pony	All Ages
312	Mini Horse (Equine) Trail in Hand	Equine Mini	All Ages
313	Mini Horse (Equine) Hunter	Equine Mini	All Ages
314	Western Horsemanship Walk-Trot	Equine/Horse & Pony	11-18
315	Western Horsemanship Walk-Trot	Equine/Horse & Pony	08-10
316	Ranch Horsemanship Walk-Trot	Equine/Horse & Pony	11-18
317	Ranch Horsemanship Walk-Trot	Equine/Horse & Pony	08-10
318	Western Pleasure Walk-Trot	Equine/Horse & Pony	11-18
319	Western Pleasure Walk-Trot	Equine/Horse & Pony	08-10
320	Ranch Pleasure Walk-Trot (No Cross Entering)	Equine/Horse & Pony	11-18
321	Ranch Pleasure Walk-Trot (No Cross Entering)	Equine/Horse & Pony	08-10
322	Egg and Spoon Walk-Trot	Equine/Horse & Pony	11-18
323	Egg and Spoon Walk-Trot	Equine/Horse & Pony	08-10
324	Walk-Trot Barrels	Equine/Horse & Pony	All Ages
325	Costume Lead-In	Equine/Horse, Pony & Mini	11-18
326	Costume Lead-In	Equine/Horse, Pony & Mini	08-10

Class	Thursday, August 1, 11:00 a.m. Horse Arena	Animal	Exhibitor's Age
401	Draft Showmanship	Equine/Horse & Pony	14-18
402	Draft Showmanship	Equine/Horse & Pony	08-13
403	Draft Horse & Draft Pony Driving	Equine/Horse & Pony	All Ages
404	Ground Roping	By back drop	All Ages
405	Warm-Up 18" Cross Rails	Equine/Horse & Pony	All Ages
406	Beginner Jumping 18" Cross Rails	Equine/Horse & Pony	All Ages
407	Novice Hunt Seat Equitation Over Fences	Equine/Horse & Pony	All Ages
408	Green Working Hunter Over Fences	Equine/Horse & Pony	All Ages
409	Intermediate Hunt Seat Equitation Over Fences	Equine/Horse & Pony	All Ages
410	Low Working Hunter Over Fences	Equine/Horse & Pony	All Ages
411	Advanced Hunt Seat Equitation Over Fences	Equine/Horse & Pony	All Ages
412	Regular Working Hunter Over Fences	Equine/Horse & Pony	All Ages
413	Free Style Reining (Rotating trophy)	Equine/Horse & Pony	All Ages
414	Barrels	Equine/Horse & Pony	14-18
415	Barrels	Equine/Horse & Pony	08-13
416	Flag Race	Equine/Horse & Pony	14-18
417	Flag Race	Equine/Horse & Pony	08-13
418	Poles	Equine/Horse & Pony	14-18
419	Poles	Equine/Horse & Pony	08-13
420	Stake Race	Equine/Horse & Pony	14-18
421	Stake Race	Equine/Horse & Pony	08-13
422	Keyhole	Equine/Horse & Pony	14-18
423	Keyhole	Equine/Horse & Pony	08-13
424	Pajama Showmanship	Equine/Horse & Pony	14-18
425	Pajama Showmanship	Equine/Horse & Pony	08-13
Class	Friday, August 2, 9:00 a.m. Horse Arena	Animal	Exhibitor
501	Dressage I (indicate test & level)	Equine/Horse & Pony	All Ages
502	Dressage II (Indicate test & level)	Equine/Horse & Pony	All Ages
503	Western Dressage I (indicate test & level)	Equine/Horse & Pony	All Ages
504	Western Dressage II (Indicate test & level)	Equine/Horse & Pony	All Ages

CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW

Class	Friday, August 2, 3:00 p.m. Horse Arena	Animal	Exhibitor
CH 01	Western Showmanship	Equine/Horse & Pony	14-18
CH 02	Western Showmanship	Equine/Horse & Pony	08-13
CH 03	Western Ranch Showmanship	Equine/Horse & Pony	14-18
CH 04	Western Ranch Showmanship	Equine/Horse & Pony	08-13
CH 05	English Showmanship Hunt Seat	Equine/Horse & Pony	14-18
CH 06	English Showmanship Hunt Seat	Equine/Horse & Pony	08-13
CH 07	English Showmanship Saddle Seat	Equine/Horse & Pony	All Ages
	Cloverbud Stick Horse Show		
	AWARDS AND RECOGNITION CEREMONY		
	Flag Ceremony		
	Announcement of: State Fair Participates, Horse Judging Team, Horse Bowl, Hippology, Competition Teams		
	Barn Decoration Award		
	Perfect Skillathon		
	Sportsmanship and Scholarship		
Top 5	Awards		
	Mini Horse (Equine)		
	Dressage		
	Walk-Trot 10 & Under		
	Walk-Trot 11 & Over		
	Over Fences		
	Gymkhana Junior		
	Gymkhana Senior		
CH 08	English Equitation Hunt Seat	Equine/Horse & Pony	14-18
CH 09	English Equitation Hunt Seat	Equine/Horse & Pony	08-13
CH 10	Working Hunter Under Saddle	Equine/Horse & Pony	14-18
CH 11	Working Hunter Under Saddle	Equine/Horse & Pony	08-13
CH 12	Easy Gaited Equitation W/SS	Equine/Horse & Pony	All Ages
CH 13	Easy Gaited Pleasure W/SS	Equine/Horse & Pony	All Ages
CH 14	English Equitation Saddle Seat	Equine/Horse & Pony	All Ages
CH 15	English Pleasure Saddle Seat	Equine/Horse & Pony	All Ages
CH 16	Western Horsemanship	Equine/Horse & Pony	14-18
CH 17	Western Horsemanship	Equine/Horse & Pony	08-13
CH 18	Western Pleasure (Rotating trophy)	Equine/Horse & Pony	14-18
CH 19	Western Pleasure	Equine/Horse & Pony	08-13
CH 20	Ranch Horsemanship	Equine/Horse & Pony	14-18
CH 21	Ranch Horsemanship	Equine/Horse & Pony	08-13
CH 22	Ranch Horse Pleasure	Equine/Horse & Pony	14-18
CH 23	Ranch Horse Pleasure	Equine/Horse & Pony	08-13
CH 24	Ranch Riding	Equine/Horse & Pony	14-18
CH 25	Ranch Riding	Equine/Horse & Pony	08-13
CH 26	Versatility (limit 20)	Equine/Horse & Pony	14-18

Awards: Champion, Reserve Champion, Ribbons 3-5

If you place 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, or 5th in the following classes: English Equitation Medals, or Stock Seat Equitation Medals, you are eligible to enter the Championship Show in Equitation or Horsemanship. If you are a Ranch rider and qualify in Stock Seat Equitation Medals, you will show in Ranch Horsemanship.

You must show the same equine and seat you qualified in.

If you place 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, or 5th in the following classes: English Discipline, Western Discipline, Western Riding, Trail, or Reining, you are eligible to enter the Championship Show in Working Hunter Under Saddle/Saddle Seat Pleasure, Western Pleasure, or Ranch Horse Pleasure. If you are a Ranch rider and qualify in Western Discipline, you will show in Ranch Horse Pleasure.

You must show the same equine and seat you qualified in.**Senior Versatility**

The 4 classes will be:

- 1) English Showmanship
- 2) English Pleasure
- 3) Western Horsemanship
- 4) Keyhole