



Douglas County 4-H Horse Project



Important Dates

- October 1st - 4-H Year Begins
- December 31st - Sign-up for 4-H before December 31st (returning members) to pay \$60 re-enrollment fee
- February 7th - New Member Night
- March 1st - Sign-up for 4-H before March 1st (no late entries will be accepted)
\$60 for first year members, \$85 for returning 4-H members
- March 11th - 4-H Horse Ride Night (Indoor)
- March 24th - DC Buckle Series
- April 1st - 4HOnline Animal ID, Proof of Ownership, Lease paperwork, Animal Care & Housing due. Be sure to upload/provide to extension agent
Proof of horse ownership (brand inspection) or completed lease agreement (lease must include date of signing, lease period (start and end date), and 3 signatures (horse owner, youth, and youth's parent/guardian).
Animal Care & Housing Form
- April 1st - High School Seniors! DC 4-H Horse Scholarship Application Due
- April 22nd - 4-H Horse Ride Night (Indoor)
- April 27th - DC Buckle Series
- May 1st - Project Add (General Projects) & Drop Deadline
Any project not planning to be completed MUST be dropped by May 1st. Projects not dropped by this date will be expected to be completed this 4-H year. Youth who do not complete a project will not be eligible to participate in the same project the following year.
- May 15th - Horse Camp Registration Deadline
- May 19th - DC Buckle Series
- June - Fair entry opens and closes dates TBA
- June 10-14th - Douglas County 4-H Horse Camp
- June 15th - DC Buckle Series
- July 15th - Safety Testing and Levels Certification Due
- July 18th - Written Horse Test for Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Horse Highpoint Score
Youth who are interested in qualifying to earn a high point buckle at Fair are required to take this test
50% Record Book Checks and Fair Entry verification
- July 28th & 29th - Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Horse Show
- TBA - Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Miniature Horse Show
- August 2nd - Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Master Showmanship (Tentative)
- August 22-25 - Colorado State Fair Horse Show
- September 1st - Record Books due to Extension Office & Achievement Night Award Nominations Due
- October 1st - 4-H Re-enrollment begins

Be sure to check the weekly 4-H Blast and website for the most up-to-date information and new educational opportunities.

** All published dates (other than deadlines) are tentative and subject to change.

*Some Douglas County Fair & Rodeo dates are included for convenience - remember that participation in fair is NOT a required part of the 4-H project, but a great experience.

Resources: <https://douglas.extension.colostate.edu/4-h/programs-2/horses/>

For questions, please reach out to Animal & Equine Science 4-H Specialist Mercedes Glenn @ Mercedes.Glenn@colostate.edu

