



2020 Delaware 4-H Hippology Contest Virtual Format

Objectives:

1. To provide youth with the opportunity to blend the knowledge and skills acquired in horse judging, horse bowl, demonstrations and public speaking, showing and practical horse experience into one activity.
2. To encourage youth to continue expanding their understanding, knowledge and participation in equine science.
3. To recognize youth for their total involvement in and comprehensive knowledge of the horse industry.
4. To teach good sportsmanship through a friendly and competitive environment.

Contestants and Eligibility:

1. Any Delaware 4-H members is eligible. Participants must be a currently enrolled member of a Delaware 4-H club and should have some familiarity with horses.
2. Age is calculated as of January 1, 2021
3. Divisions: Cloverbuds- Participation only- will receive an equine activity packet in the mail to complete. This packet does not get returned.
Beginner- Ages 8-10
Intermediate- Ages 11-13
Senior- Ages 14-19

Contest Rules and Regulations:

1. This is an individual competition for 2020.
2. There is no entry fee for 2020.
3. All contestants are expected to do their own work with no outside assistance (no help from members, leaders, parents, resources or internet searches).
4. All contestants must pre-register online via <https://www.pcsreg.com/hippology> Registration is open December 14-18, 2020.
5. The link to the virtual contest will be distributed via the email address provided at registration. Please be sure to register using a valid email address that is checked regularly. If you have difficulty accessing the internet for the contest, please notify Susan Garey truehart@udel.edu so that alternate arrangements can be made.
6. The virtual contest will be open between December 20- January 1 and must be completed in a single sitting. Participants will not be permitted to return to questions and may only complete the contest once.
7. For the 2020 contest, awards will be based upon the Danish system so that youth are competing against a standard and not each other. This is a great way to measure your own personal equine knowledge.
8. Reference material - please refer to the Study Guide provided at the end of this document for this contest. All reference material is the same as used for the Horse Bowl and Hippology contests in previous years.

Contest Format and Scoring:

1. The contest will be comprised of four types of activities- slides(questions with images), stations(typically matching type activities), a multiple choice written quiz and judging a class.

Example: Looking at the photos provided, please identify the colors of the horses.

Example: Looking at the image provided, please match the numbered parts of the horse with the correct name.

Example: Senior multiple choice question-

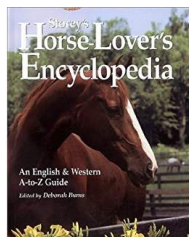
When the front toes turn out and the heels turn in, the horse is said to be what?

- A. Splayfooted
- B. Pigeon toed
- C. Bow legged
- D. All of the above

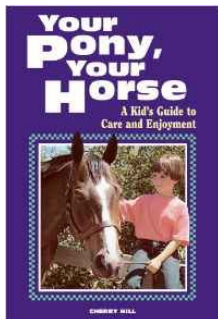
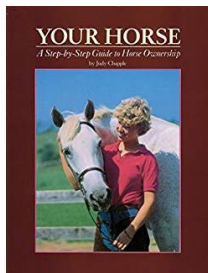
2. Subject matter covered will include but may not be limited to: tack and equipment, breeds, feeds, colors and markings, anatomy and equine health.
3. Individual Score – will be calculated based on the number of correct answers. This will be compared to the total number of points offered. The Danish system award will be based on:
 - Blue (90% or greater correct)
 - Red (75%- 89% correct)
 - Yellow (74% and below correct)

Study Resources for the Hippology Contest- 4-H Horse Manuals:

1. "Giddy Up and Go", "Head, Heart and Hooves", "Stable Relationships", "Riding the Range," "Jumping to New Heights," "Horse Project Helper's Guide.,"
2. Beginner age 8-10: Your Pony, Your Horse, by Cherry Hill
3. Intermediate (age 11-13)Your Horse, a step-by-step guide to horse ownership, by Judy Chapple (and age 8-10 material).
4. Senior (14 to 19) Horses and Horsemanship – by Ray Antoniewicz, National 4-H Council Storey's Horse-Lover's Encyclopedia, edited by Deborah Burns (and age 8-10 and 11-13 material).
Horse Science- by Ray Antoniewicz, National 4-H Council
5. <http://www.shoreridersponyclub.org/quiz-worksheets--documents.html>
6. Feed Ingredients to be familiar with- hay, hay cubes, straw, alfalfa pellets, whole corn, cracked corn, barley, beet pulp, dried molasses, oats, pelleted feed, rolled oats, salt, soybeans, soybean meal, sweet feed, trace mineral salt



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