

## Contest Info

<b>Event:</b>	Horse Judging Contest	
<b>Event Date:</b>	Saturday, April 6, 2019	
<b>Schedule:</b>	7:30 am	Registration
	8:15 am	Orientation
	8:30 am	Contest Begins
	1:30 pm	Awards Presentation (subject to change)
<b>Location:</b>	TBD - Waiting on confirmation from Equine Office	
<b>Entry Deadline:</b>	All entries will be completed on 4-H Connect at <a href="http://texas.4honline.com/">http://texas.4honline.com/</a> Opens: Tuesday, March 6, 2019 Closes: Wednesday, March 20, 2019	
<b>County Approvals:</b>	County offices need to approve registrations on 4-H Connect by Thursday, March 21, 2019	
<b>Entry Deadline:</b>	All entries will be completed on 4-H Connect at <a href="https://texas.4honline.com/">https://texas.4honline.com/</a> . March 20, 2019 - <b>Deadline</b>	
<b>Entry Fee:</b>	\$15 per member per event	
<b>Late Entries:</b>	Late entries will be permitted with an additional: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$25 late fee per 4-H member (\$40.00 total)</li> <li>• <b>March 24<sup>th</sup> – Late Deadline</b></li> </ul>	
<b>Auxiliary Aids or Special Accommodations:</b>	If you have any participants requiring auxiliary aids or special accommodations, please let us know at the time entry materials are due.	

## General Rules

### 1. Rules and Guidelines

All District contests will be conducted by the rules printed in the District 9 General Rules and Guidelines and in the 2019 Texas 4-H Roundup Guide. If an inconsistency exists, the Texas 4-H Roundup Guide rules will always supersede District policies, rules, and guidelines. Texas 4-H Judging Contest General Rules and Guidelines can be found at the following link.

[https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/General\\_Judging\\_Contest\\_Rules\\_2018.pdf](https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/General_Judging_Contest_Rules_2018.pdf)

### 2. Membership

Participants must be a bona fide 4-H member, currently enrolled in their respective county program.

### 3. Age Divisions

There will be three (3) age divisions (Junior, Intermediate, and Senior) in all contests.

Age divisions are determined by a participant's grade as of August 31, 2018 as follows:

Age Division	Grades	
Junior	3*, 4, or 5	<i>*Must be at least 8 years old</i>
Intermediate	6, 7, or 8	
Senior	9, 10, 11, or 12*	<i>*Must not be older than 18 years old</i>

Only Senior aged members may advance to the state qualifying competition at Texas 4-H Roundup.

### 4. Participation/Entries

4-H members must be certified by the County Extension Agent to participate at any District 4-H event.

### 5. Team per county

There is no limit to the number of teams a county may enter in the contest.

### 6. Members per team

These are team events; therefore, entrants are encouraged to be part of a team. Each team will have at least three (3) and no more than four (4) members. Individual entries will be allowed, only if there are not enough individuals in the county to make up a team.

*Note:* A County can only have a maximum of 2 individual entries per age division. If there are 3 individuals wanting to judge in the same age division, they must be considered a team entry.

All team members must be from the same county and within the same age division. Exception: Juniors may be moved up to an Intermediate team, if necessary. However, Intermediates may NOT move up to a Senior team. NO individual may move down to a younger age division.

## **7. Academic Eligibility of Participants**

According to the Texas Education Code, a 4-H member must be deemed “eligible” to compete in an event that takes place on a weekday or weekend. All 4-H youth, including youth in public, private, and/or home school must adhere to the following guidelines regarding extracurricular activities and academic eligibility:

- Complete a “Declaration of Eligibility Form”  
(available at: <http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/txeducodeltr/> - page 17)
- Name of 4-H member must appear on a list of eligible students to participate in a specific extracurricular activity signed by the school principal or designee.

If a 4-H member is ineligible for a 4-H competitive event, the agent must notify the 4-H member, his/her parents, and the district office, by letter, of this situation. If the parent has any questions, he/she should be referred to the school administrator.

**\*\*\*Eligibility forms will stay in the county offices\*\*\***

## **8. Entry Fee**

There is a \$15 entry fee per member per contest. All entries must be submitted through 4-H Connect by the entry due date.

## **9. Late Fees**

Late entries will be permitted with an additional \$25 late fee per 4-H member that must be submitted on 4-H Connect by March 24<sup>th</sup>. (Total of \$40.00 per member)

## **10. Auxiliary Aids/Special Accommodations**

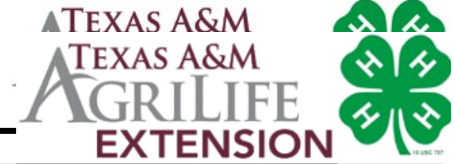
If 4-H members that are participating in District 4-H events require auxiliary aids or special accommodations, please notify the District Office at the same time that entry materials are due.

## **11. Qualifying for State**

Only Senior 4-H members are eligible to advance to state. The top three teams and the top three individuals (if not part of one of the top three teams) will advance to state.

## D9 4-H HORSE JUDGING CONTEST

*Horse Judging Contest Information*



### 1. Objectives of the contest

- To increase knowledge of Equine evaluation and selection techniques
- To employ decision making skills
- To create a sense of team work
- To learn to make individual decisions and support them with oral statements

### 2. Classes

- 2 to 4 Halter Classes
- 4 to 6 Performance Classes

### 3. Reasons

Juniors	No reasons
Intermediates	1 halter class
Seniors	1 halter class 1 performance class

### 4. Patterns

- Will be provided the morning of the contest

### 5. Awards

- The top ten (10) teams and the top ten (10) individuals in each age division will receive awards.