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NORTH CAROLINA FORAGE AND GRASSLAND COUNCIL

Economical and healthy horse production requires the use of high quality forages as the predominant component in equine diets. Cost effective equine management emphasizes the use of pastures and hays to meet the majority of equine nutrient requirements in most production situations.

The NC Forage and Grassland Council (NCFGC) is an affiliate of the American Forage and Grassland Council, which is dedicated to promoting the stewardship of forages as primary feeds for livestock. The objectives of the NCFGC are to:

- Promote the value of forage and pasture crops as feed for all of the animal industry
- Promote the value of forage and pasture crops for soil and water conservation and the abatement of stream pollution
- Develop a better philosophy of grassland management, utilization and marketing of forage through animals and as a cash crop
- Provide educational opportunities which can help make efficient production and utilization decisions
- Provide a way to combine the efforts of farmers, agri-related industry, and public agency workers to better serve the forage-animal industry
- Provide input into research, educational, and marketing activities
- Promote the value of grassland crops for wildlife habitat and biofuel resources

The NCFGC invites horse owners to become involved in the council. The NCFGC routinely provides information to horse owners at conferences, grazing schools and field days, as well as through the newsletter, *The Forage Leader*, which is published quarterly.

For additional information about the NC Forage and Grassland Council or to become a member, contact:

NC Forage & Grassland Council

2228 N. Main St.

Fuquay-Varina, NC 27526

(919) 552-9111

www.forage.ncsu.edu/nfcgc

-Dr. Bob Mowrey

2011 SOUTHERN REGIONAL HORSE BOWL TEAM

The 2011 NC State 4-H Horse Bowl Contest was held on Saturday, March 5th at North Carolina State A&T University in Greensboro. The contest attracted 36 teams from 22 counties. Complete contest results can be found at:

http://www.cals.ncsu.edu/an_sci/extension/horse/Webpages/NCSU_EHH_State_Contest_Results.html

The Horse Bowl Contest was sponsored by Southern States Cooperative, Inc. and Triple Crown Horse Feeds. Letters of appreciation should be mailed to:

Mrs. Meredith Mills Bernard

Southern States Cooperative

52 Mountain Hill Rd.

Milton, NC 27305

The sponsorship funds will help to provide a partial travel scholarship for the North Carolina State Horse Bowl team members and coach(es) that represents North Carolina at the All-American Quarter Horse Congress contest in Columbus, Ohio and the Eastern National 4-H Horse Roundup in Louisville, Kentucky this fall. The following volunteer leaders and 4-H members have indicated an interest to try-out for the NC State 4-H Horse Bowl team:

Team Members

Anna Miller- Alamance Co.	Kathryn Williams- Currituck Co.
Bradley Kay- Polk Co.	Michelle Reichl- Rockingham Co.
Coy Herbert- Nash Co.	Taylor Knittel- Johnston Co.
Dale Bass- Catawba Co.	Elizabeth Rhodes- Johnston Co.
Harlie Cope- Catawba Co.	

Lori Stroud, Coach, Johnston County
Sandy Wright, Assistant Coach, Union County

Jessica Hicks, Extension Horse Technician at NCSU, will work with Lori Stroud to coordinate and prepare the Horse Bowl teams.

The top 9 ranked team members will represent North Carolina at the Southern Regional 4-H Horse Championships in Tunica, MS in July. A final five member team will be selected after the Southern Regional Contest to represent North Carolina at the National Contests held in the fall of 2011.

-Bob Mowrey

2011 SOUTHERN REGIONAL HIPPOLOGY TEAM

The 2011 NC State 4-H Hippology Contest was held on Saturday, March 5th at North Carolina State A&T University in Greensboro. The contest attracted 208 4-H members from 21 counties. Complete contest results can be found at:

http://www.cals.ncsu.edu/an_sci/extension/horse/Webpages/NCSSU_EHH_State_Contest_Results.html

The Hippology contest was sponsored by the North Carolina Horse Council, Carolina Farm Credit and the West Central 4-H Horse District Advisory Board. Letters of appreciation thanking our donors should be mailed to:

Ms. Sue Gray
NC Horse Council, Ex. Director
4904 Waters Edge Dr., Suite 290
Raleigh, NC 27606

Mr. Randy Ratliff
NC Horse Council, President
441 Plainfield Rd
Greensboro, NC 27455

The sponsorship funds will help to provide a partial travel scholarship for the North Carolina State Hippology team members and coach(es) that represent North Carolina at the All-American Quarter Horse Congress contest in Columbus, Ohio and the Eastern National 4-H Horse Roundup in Louisville, Kentucky. The following volunteer leaders have agreed to coach and the 4-H members listed below have indicated an interest to try-out for the NC State 4-H Hippology team.

Team Members

Allie Riddell- Alamance Co.	Harlie Cope- Catawba Co.
Carson Kay- Polk Co.	Ruthy Vorder-Bruegge- Cumberland Co.
Coy Herbert- Nash Co.	Mattie Thompson- Alamance Co.
Elizabeth Rhodes- Johnston Co.	Michelle Cavalieri- Alamance Co.
Kendall Wolford- Johnston Co.	Rhonda Armstrong- Edgecombe Co.

Lindsay Riddell, Coach, Alamance County
Assistant Coach, TBD

Jessica Hicks, Extension Horse Technician at NCSU, will work with the coaches to coordinate and prepare the Hippology teams.

The top 8 ranked team members will represent North Carolina at the Southern Regional 4-H Horse Championships in Tunica, MS in July. A final four member team will be selected after the Southern Regional Contest to represent North Carolina at the National Contests held in the fall of 2011.

The 2011 Junior and Senior Horseman of the Year awards were sponsored by the following individuals:

Junior Division Horseman of the Year Award

Lyndsie Young
Davie Co. 4-H Agent
108 S. Main St., Suite 210
Mocksvilli, NC 27028

Senior Division Horseman of the Year Award

Mr. Bill Miller
Carolina Farm Credit Service
P.O. Box 238
Graham, NC 27253

-Bob Mowrey

NC 4-H HORSE PROGRAM SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

Four 4-H members from across North Carolina submitted applications for the 2011 NC 4-H Horse Program Scholarships. A committee consisting of 4-H Horse Volunteer Leaders serving on the State NC 4-H Horse Advisory Board reviewed all scholarships. Applicants were evaluated on their prior involvement in the 4-H Horse Program, class ranking in school and submitted standardized test scores. All applicants were well qualified, and the committee worked very hard reviewing all applications. They selected the following North Carolina 4-H Horse Program members as 2011 Scholarship Award winners:

Marla O'Neal- Rockingham County
Faith Fulbright- Gaston County

Both 4-H members will receive a \$1,000 scholarship upon successful completion of one semester of college, technical school or community college. Consult the NC 4-H Horse Husbandry Extension Office for additional information regarding the NC 4-H Horse Program Scholarship program.

-Bob Mowrey

2011 STATE 4-H HORSE SHOW JUDGES NAMED

Preparations for the July 6-10, 2011 NC State 4-H Horse Show are well under way. The five day event will start on Wednesday July 6th with the NC State 4-H Horse Communication Contests held on the main fairgrounds in Raleigh. The actual show will start at 3:00 pm with the adaptive riding classes in the main arena and the always competitive games division in the covered outdoor arena.

On Thursday July 7th, the hunter division will start with showmanship and halter at 8:00am in the covered outdoor arena and continue in the main arena with over fences and flat classes. The western division halter and showmanship classes will be held Thursday afternoon, along with the combined training dressage tests.

Friday, July 8th, will feature the continuation of the hunter and western divisions. The evening program will include the always popular pleasure pairs and senior versatility classes.

The largest and most active day of the State Show will be Saturday, July 9th, featuring the conclusion of the huntseat division classes, the non-trotting and saddleseat division classes and trail classes. The evening program will offer the costume class and junior versatility. The artistic expression contest will be held throughout the day in the upper concourse with awards announced at the evening ceremony.

The show concludes on Sunday, July 10th, with the dressage division in multiple outdoor and covered arenas, as well as the conclusion of the western division classes.

2011 State 4-H Horse Show Judges

Showmanship Judge	Dr. Dave Whitaker, Murfreesboro, TN
Western Judge	Dr. Dave Whitaker, Murfreesboro, TN
Non-Trotting Judge	Dr. Dave Whitaker, Murfreesboro, TN
Hunter Judge	Dayle Eldridge, Ocala, FL
Dressage Judge	TBD
Dressage Judge	TBD
Games Judge	Roger Moore, Statesville, NC
Saddleseat Judge	Terry Rakoski, Lewisville, NC

-Bob Mowrey

2011 NC STATE 4-H HORSE COMMUNICATIONS CONTESTS

The 2011 State 4-H Horse Public Speaking and Horse Presentation Contests will be held on Wednesday July 6th in conjunction with the NC State 4-H Horse Show. **Both contests will be held in the second floor of the Kerr Scott Building on the NC State Fairgrounds in Raleigh. Please note this location change from previous contests.**

Four-H members interested in participating in the contests must contact their county extension agent and qualify by participating at the appropriate district activity day event to which their county is assigned. For members attending 4-H Horsemanship Camp in Ellerbe, NC on June 19-25 who have a date conflict with their assigned district activity day qualifying event may qualify at 4-H Horsemanship Camp. Jessica Hicks will coordinate a special 4-H Horse Public Speaking and Presentation contest during Horsemanship Camp. Those youth will be judged using the same procedure/rules as district activity day events to determine eligibility to participate at the state level 4-H Horse Communication contests.

The State 4-H Horse Public Speaking and Presentation Contests will start promptly with registration at 8:00am on Wednesday July 6, 2011 in the first floor lobby of the Gov. Kerr Scott Building. **Registration will conclude by 9:00am. Contestants failing to check in by 9:00am will not be accepted into the contest.** All contests will begin at 8:30am. The order of go will be based on a first come basis. The order in which contestants check in will represent the order of go. Junior and Senior contestants will be intermixed in the order of go, however the official presentation time limits for the different age divisions will be enforced. The contest will conclude when all contestants, who checked in prior to 9:00am, have presented. The Southeast 4-H Horse Council is providing refreshments to participants and spectators on a first come basis. A lunch break will be taken for the official judges, close to 12:00 noon. The remaining contestants will present after the lunch break. An awards ceremony will be held immediately following the conclusion of both contests in their respective rooms at the Gov Kerr Scott Building. The estimated time of completion is 1:00pm.

Only communications contest contestants, with horses qualified to participate in the North Carolina State 4-H Horse Show, will be permitted to check into their stalls between 5:00 and 8:00pm Tuesday evening, July 5th, 2011. Stalls will not be available before 5:00pm or after 8:00pm Tuesday evening. All communications contest participants looking to trailer in Tuesday evening must call Extension Horse Husbandry (919-515-5784) and confirm the number of horses and stalls prior to June 30, 2011. Contestants failing to confirm early arrival prior to June 30, 2011 will be required to check in after 10:00am Wednesday, July 6th.

The District Activity Day and State Horse Communication Contests will be conducted in accordance with the NC 4-H Horse Program Rules and Regulations previously approved by the State 4-H Horse Advisory Board. The entire rulebook, revised in 2011, can be found online at www.cals.ncsu.edu/an_sci/extension/horse/hhmain.html. Please review these rules prior to the state contest. There will be a total of three judges per each contest (public speaking and presentation).

When reviewing the rules, please note that North Carolina's 4-H Horse Public Speaking and Horse Demonstration Evaluation Form Point Totals correspond to National 4-H Horse Presentation and Public Speaking Contest regulations and NOT to NC State 4-H scoresheets. As a result, the point totals listed in the 4-H Horse Program rulebook do not correspond to standard North Carolina 4-H Presentation scorecards. The 4-H Horse Program score sheets will be used at the District and State Horse Communication Contest. These score sheets are also available at:

<http://www.nc4h.org/publications/presentations/horse.html>

Presentation Contest (individual and team combined into one event):

An individual presentation must be a minimum of four minutes (junior division) or nine minutes (senior division) and not longer than twelve minutes. One point will be deducted **per judge** for each minute or fraction thereof under four minutes (junior) or nine minutes (senior) or over twelve minutes. A team presentation must be a minimum of five minutes (junior) or ten minutes (senior). One point will be deducted **per judge** for each minute or fraction thereof, under five minutes (junior) and ten minutes (senior) or over fifteen minutes.

Public Speaking

A public speech must be a minimum of four minutes (junior division) or eight minutes (senior division) and not longer than ten minutes. One point will be deducted **per judge** for each minute or fraction thereof, under four minutes (junior) or eight minutes (senior) or over ten minutes.

The 2011 NC 4-H Horse Communication Contests are sponsored by:

Horse Presentation

West Central District 4-H Horse Advisory Board
Western 4-H Horse Advisory Board

Horse Public Speaking

North Central District 4-H Horse Advisory Board
Wake County 4-H Horse Council

Refreshments

Southeast District 4-H Horse Advisory Board

Questions concerning the event should be referred to Dr. Bob Mowrey, Extension Horse Husbandry 919-515-7871 or Bob.Mowery@ncsu.edu

-Bob Mowrey

2011 SOUTHERN REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP SCHEDULE

The 2011 Southern Regional 4-H Horse Championships will be hosted by Mississippi State University at the Tunica arena and Exposition Center in Tunica, MS July 26-31, 2011. The educational contests will be held on Wednesday, July 27 (Horse Bowl and Hippology) and Thursday, July 28 (Judging, Communication Contests and opening ceremonies). The Horse Show will start at 2:00pm on Thursday, July 29. A tentative schedule of events is listed below.

Additional information concerning the motel arrangements, entry information and the Southern Regional Show will be provided at a later date and in the 2011 NC State 4-H Horse Show Exhibitors packet.

-Bob Mowrey

2011 Southern Regional 4-H Horse Championships

Tunica Arena and Exposition Center, Tunica, MS
July 26-31, 2011
Proposed Schedule

Tuesday, July 26th

3:00PM	Specialist Meeting	Tunica Expo/Arena
6:00PM	Specialist Dinner	Tunica Expo/Arena

Wednesday, July 27th

7:30AM	Hippology Contest Check-in	Community Center
8:00AM	Hippology Contest Begins	
1:30PM	Horse Bowl Contest Check-in	Community Center
2:00PM	Horse Bowl Begins	

Thursday, July 28th

7:00AM	Oral Presentation Contests Check-in	Community Center
7:30AM	Oral Presentation Contests Begins	

(Youth in Hippology or Horse Judging will go first in schedule)

8:30AM	Horse Judging Contest/ Hippo. Judging Check-In	Indoor Arena
9:00AM	Horse Judging Contest/ Hippo. Judging Begins	Indoor Arena
	Lunch/Oral Reasons for Judging Contestants	
2:00PM	Class 15 Breakaway Roping	Covered Arena
	Class 14 Tie Down Roping	
3:00PM	Class 9 Western Showmanship	Indoor Arena
	Class 1 Stock Type Mares	
	Class 2 Stock Type Geldings	
7:00PM	PARADE OF STATES	Indoor Arena
	<i>(Opening Ceremony, Honor Guests, Award Educational Contests, and Roping High Point)</i>	
9:00PM	Exhibitor's Dance	Community Center

Friday, July 29th

8:00AM	Class 16 Western Pleasure**	Indoor Arena
	Class 17 Western Horsemanship**	
	Class 18 Western Riding	
	Class 19 Reining	
8:00AM	Class 34 Dressage, 2011 Training Level Test XX	Covered Arena
	Class 35 Dressage, 2011 First Level Test XX	
	<i>(Ride times will be assigned for both Dressage Tests)</i>	
4:00PM	Class 20 Pole Bending**	Covered Arena
<i>(Or 15 minutes After Dressage)</i>	Class 21 Barrel Race**	
	Class 22 Stake Race**	

Saturday, July 30th

8:00AM	Class 12 Hunter Showmanship	Indoor Arena
	Class 4 Hunter Type Geldings	
	Class 3 Hunter Type Mares	
	Class 29 Hunt Seat Equitation	
	Class 28 Hunter Under Saddle Preliminaries	
8:00AM	Class 13 Trail	Covered Arena
	Ring A	Ring B
	<i>(Split ring showing simultaneously for showmanship and halter classes)</i>	Covered Arena
Class 7	Non-Trotting Mares	Class 5 Saddle Type Mares (Trotting)
Class 8	Non-Trotting Geldings	Class 6 Saddle Type Geldings (Trotting)
Class 11	Non-Trotting Showmanship	Class 10 Saddle Seat Showmanship (Trotting)
	<i>(30 minute break after conclusion of Saddle Seat Classes before class 24)</i>	
	Class 24 Saddle Seat English Equitation	Covered Arena
	Class 27 Non-Trotting Equitation	
	Class 23 Saddle Seat English Pleasure (Trotting)	
	Class 25 Non-Trotting Pleasure (Walking Horses Only)	
	Class 26 Non-Trotting Pleasure (Horses exhibited in Class 25, no cross-entry)	
5:00 PM	Class 16 Western Pleasure Finals	Indoor Arena
	Class 17 Western Horsemanship Finals	
	Class 28 Hunter Under Saddle Finals	
	Class 29 Hunt Seat Equitation Finals	

5:00PM	Class 20	Pole Bending Finals	Covered Arena
	Class 21	Barrel Racing Finals	
	Class 22	Stake Race Finals	

Awards- High Point Western, Speed, and Saddleseat (Trotting and Non-Trotting)

Sunday, July 31st

5:30-7:30AM	Schooling for Over Fences		Indoor Arena
8:00AM	Class 33	Open Jumping	Indoor Arena
	Class 30	Pony Working Hunter (14.2 and under)	
	Class 31	Working Hunter (Over 14.2, no ponies)	
	Class 32	Equitation Over Fences	

Awards- High Point Hunt Seat

**Classes with preliminaries are indicated with finals being held on Saturday or Sunday. All other classes will be judges in their entirety at the scheduled time.

**2011 SOUTHERN REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP HORSE SHOW ENTRY
NUMBER TO REMAIN AT 50**

The 2011 Southern Regional 4-H Horse Show in Tunica, MS will permit more show entries per state. Each participating state is eligible to send a **maximum of 50 horses** to the Southern Regional Horse Show. Exhibitors are permitted to share a horse, but they cannot participate in the same class. In effect, North Carolina could have more than 50 exhibitors per show depending on the number of horses entered with multiple exhibitors.

Additional information concerning the show entry process will be in the NC State Horse Show Exhibitor packet distributed at the July 6-10, 2011 state show in Raleigh. You will be required to enter the Southern Regional Horse Show before leaving the NC State 4-H Horse Show on July 10, 2011.

-Bob Mowrey

2011 NC 4-H HORSE ARTISTIC EXPRESSION CONTESTS

The 2011 NC State 4-H Horse Artistic Expression Contests will be held Saturday, July 9th, in the James B. Hunt Horse Complex during the NC State 4-H Horse Show. All contest information can be found at http://www.cals.ncsu.edu/an_sci/extension/horse/Webpages/NCSU_EHH_Artistic_Expression.html, including the contest schedule, entry forms, fees, deadline dates and contest check-in procedures. Rules for each event can be found in the 2011 NC 4-H Horse Program Rules and Regulations Manual.

The Artistic Expression Contests offer the following events for three age groups, cloverbuds (age 5-8), juniors (age 9-13) and seniors (age 14-19):

Craft Horse Contest
Horse Drawing Contest
Horse Painting Contest
Horse Poster Contest
Horse Photography Contest
Horse Sewing Contest

A special awards ceremony for the Artistic Expression Contests will be held Saturday evening during the State 4-H Horse Show evening program.

The Artistic Expression Contests are sponsored by the following organizations/individuals. Please send letters of appreciation to the following donors recognizing their sponsorships:

Horse Craft, Painting & Photography: **West Central District 4-H Horse Council**
c/o Kay Driver
4285 Security Ct.
Hudson, NC 28638

Horse Poster Contest: **Candace Norman**
3005 Nantucket Ave.
Durham, NC 27703

Horse Drawing Contest: **Carteret Co. Road Runners**
c/o Kim Nead
452 Howard Blvd.
Newport, NC 28570

Horse Sewing Contest: **Debbie Hollowell & Amanda Baucom**
c/o Amanda Baucom
1411 Macedonia Church Rd.
Monroe, NC 28112

-Bob Mowrey

2011 NC 4-H CREATIVE WRITING CONTESTS

The 2011 NC State 4-H Creative Writing Contests information is now available on the NCSU Extension Horse Husbandry website under the 4-H Horse Program Educational Events http://www.cals.ncsu.edu/an_sci/extension/horse/Webpages/NCSU_EHH_Horse_Creative_Writing.html The website contains all contest information including the schedule, entry forms, fees, deadline dates and awards information.

The contests are open to junior and senior 4-H members in the following events:

Horse Poetry
Horse Short Story
Horse Essay

The creative writing events are sponsored by the following organizations/individuals. Please mail letters of appreciation recognizing their sponsorship:

Horse Essay Contest:

Orange County 4-H Horse Council

c/o Candace Norman
3005 Nantucket Ave.
Durham, NC 27703

Horse Short Story & Poetry Contests:

South Central District 4-H Horse Council

c/o Judy Wheeler, Treasurer
8380 Christian Light Rd.
Fuquay-Varina, NC 27526

-Bob Mowrey

VOLUNTEER LEADER INCENTIVE PROGRAM

Many US corporations encourage their employees to volunteer their time to nonprofit organizations dedicated to inspiring citizenship and youth development. Several of those companies actually have donation programs in place, where companies provide donations directly to a nonprofit organization based on their volunteer hours served by their employees. The process usually requires the employee to apply through their respective company for matching funds. The NC 4-H Development cooperates with the employees by providing the necessary documentation to certify the appropriate nonprofit status and NC State University account information to which a donation should be made.

Two NC 4-H Horse Program volunteers recently filed their time as volunteer leaders to their employers, Verizon Wireless and IBM Inc., which in turn provided a donation to the NC 4-H Program through the NC 4-H Development Fund in excess of \$1,700 per year. Obviously such donation programs could provide significant 4-H Horse Program funding, which then could reduce operating costs while making educational activities more affordable for our 4-H families.

Volunteer 4-H Horse Program leaders and parents, who volunteer time to 4-H clubs, are encouraged to check with their employers to see if a “matching time” volunteer program exists in their company.

Please feel free to direct any questions concerning donations to the NC 4-H Horse Program to:

Dr. Bob Mowrey

Extension Horse Commodity Coordinator

NC State University

(919)-515-5784

bob_mowrey@ncsu.edu

-Bob Mowrey

2011 HORSE CUMULATIVE RECORD WINNERS NAMED

The results for the 2011 NC 4-H Horse Cumulative Record Contest, which was sponsored by Carolina Farm Credit, were recently announced by the State 4-H Department. A total of ten 4-H Horse Program members received District and/or NC State Cumulative Record Awards:

District Winners (13-15 years of age)

Southeast District:

GOLD-	Rachel Bolen- Johnston Co.
SILVER-	Lauren Hussey- Johnston Co.
BRONZE-	Mary Elizabeth Downs- Jones Co.

West Central District:

GOLD-	Margo Lee- Gaston Co.
SILVER-	Lindsey Bailey- Rutherford Co.

District Winners (16-18 years of age)

Northeast District:

GOLD-	Kathryn Williams- Currituck Co.
SILVER-	LeeAnn McGraw- Currituck Co.

Southeast District:

GOLD-	Morgan Hussey- Johnston Co.
SILVER-	Ashley Bunch- Johnston Co.

North Central District:

GOLD-	Michelle Cavalieri- Alamance Co.
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STATE Winners (13-15 years of age)

GOLD-	Margo Lee- Gaston Co.
SILVER-	Rachel Bolen- Johnston Co.
BRONZE-	Lindsey Bailey- Rutherford Co.

STATE Winners (16-18 years of age)

GOLD-	Morgan Hussey- Johnston Co.
SILVER-	Ashley Bunch- Johnston Co.
BRONZE-	Kathryn Williams- Alamance Co.

- Bob Mowrey

NC HORSE COUNCIL EDUCATIONAL GRANTS NOW AVAILABLE

The NC Horse Council has just announced the availability of grants for 2011. County Extension programs, including 4-H horse program clubs and adult educational programs are eligible for funding that meets one or more of the following criteria:

- Unifies the NC Horse Community
- Makes a lasting difference (systemic changes to NC Horse Environment)
- Directly affects at least 50 people over the course of the year
- Allows NCHC to develop and/or provide expertise and information on equine issues and facts
- Increases awareness of NCHC
- Identifies revenue sources for NCHC

The following grant categories are available:

- Gelding Voucher Program
- Euthanasia Program
- Equine Safety Net Program (for owners with a financial setback)
- Trail Grants
- Education & Community Grants
- Scholarship Grants
- Development Grants
- Health & Research Grants

Most likely extension programs fit best into the Education & Community grants category. The maximum amount of funding for all eight categories is \$35,000. An individual grant in the Educational & Community grant category may not exceed \$2,250. There is no advertised deadline date. Grants may be received throughout the year, but will be awarded on a first-come basis until the funds are expended. I strongly suggest you develop and request your grant funds ASAP.

For additional information, access the NC Horse Council website (www.nchorsecouncil.com) or email grants@nchorsecouncil.com. Grants should be submitted electronically and as a hard copy to:

NC Horse Council
c/o Sue Gray, Executive Director
4904 Waters Edge Drive, Suite 290
Raleigh, NC 27606

- Bob Mowrey

2011 NC 4-H HORSEMANSHIP CAMP PARTICIPATION NUMBERS

As of April 14, 2011, NCSU Extension Horse Husbandry have received and accepted over 40 camper applications for the coming 2011 NC 4-H Horsemanship Camp. Additionally applications have been sent in for over 10 junior leaders 8 adult leaders. To date, 2011 is showing the highest number of early registrations for Horsemanship Camp seen in over five years!! If you have a child interested in attending our 2011 NC 4-H Horsemanship Camp, held June 19-25, 2011 at Camp Millstone 4-H Center in Ellerbe,

NC, we would recommend completing your application and mailing it in as soon as possible. If numbers continue to increase in the same fashion, there very well could be a waiting list for the 2011 4-H Horsemanship Camp in early May! For more information on or an application for the 2011 NC 4-H Horsemanship Camp, please visit the following link:

http://www.cals.ncsu.edu/an_sci/extension/horse/Webpages/NCSU_EHH_Horsemanship_Camp.html

For additional inquiries, please contact Jessica Hicks, Extension Horse Technician, at jessica_hicks@ncsu.edu or at (919)-515-5784.

-Jessica Hicks

NC 4-H HORSE PROGRAM CERTIFIED EQUINE MEASURERS

The NC 4-H Horse Program provided training to 4-H Horse Volunteer Leaders on the proper techniques to measure and certify the height of equine for 4-H Horse Program Events. Effective January 1, 2011, only certified Volunteer Leaders or carded USEF Show Stewards are authorized to determine the height of equine participating in NC 4-H Horse Program events that restrict participation for specific events/classes based on the animal's height (ex- pony show divisions).

All ponies without a permanent USEF height card for animals six years of age or older must be measured in 2011 in order to participate in a 4-H Horse Program event. Specific NC 4-H Horse Program rules regarding the heights of ponies can be found at:

http://www.cals.ncsu.edu/an_sci/extension/horse/Webpages/NCSU_EHH_Home.html

A current list of NC 4-H Horse Program Certified Measurers can be found at:

http://www.cals.ncsu.edu/an_sci/extension/horse/Webpages/NCSU_EHH_Certified_Measurers.html

Show/event managers are encouraged to contact a certified NC 4-H Horse Program Measurer to measure ponies for select events.

-Bob Mowrey

The North Carolina 4-H Horse Program Newsletter is distributed to 4-H agents and volunteer leaders to assist in the development and management of the county 4-H Horse Program. Agents are encouraged to submit the name and e-mail address of volunteer leaders who should receive a notification of current newsletters. Agents and volunteer leaders are encouraged to download the newsletter and enclosures from the Extension Horse Husbandry web site.

NC 4-H Horse Program Website, which can be accessed through the Extension Horse Husbandry website at:

<http://www.cals.ncsu.edu/horse-husbandry/>

Educational Contest Entry Forms

Entry forms are available on the NC 4-H Horse Program Website, which can be accessed through the Extension Horse Husbandry website at:

<http://www.cals.ncsu.edu/horse-husbandry/>

An agent or county extension director's signature verifying 4-H eligibility and age will continue to be required on all entry forms. Entry forms can be submitted via mail by either agents or volunteer leaders prior to the postmarked deadline date and accompanied by a check for the correct amount of entry fee. If entry forms are returned electronically, they must be sent by a county extension agent prior to the advertised post mark deadline date. Receipt of an electronically mailed entry form from an agent verifies the 4-H members' eligibility. *However, the entry is not complete until the entry fee is received via mail prior to the contest or events.*

For copies of any entry form go to the particular event on the following webpage:

<http://www.cals.ncsu.edu/horse-husbandry/>

Bookmark the following links for easy access to information about the NC State 4-H Horse Program.

NC 4-H HORSE PROGRAM WEBSITE

<http://www.cals.ncsu.edu/horse-husbandry/>

2011 4-H HORSE PROGRAM CALENDAR EVENTS

http://www.cals.ncsu.edu/an_sci/extension/horse/Webpages/NCSU_EHH_Calendar.html

2010-2011 STATE 4-H HORSE ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

http://www.cals.ncsu.edu/an_sci/extension/horse/Webpages/NCSU_EHH_4H_Advisory_Board.html

2010-2011 NCSU EQUINE SHORT COURSE AND CLINIC SERIES

http://www.cals.ncsu.edu/an_sci/extension/horse/Webpages/NCSU_EHH_Short_Course_Series.html

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