

DISTRICT 8 4-H HORSE SHOW

Contestant Information and Guidelines

LOCATION: Bell County Expo Center
Equine & Livestock Complex
301 W Loop 121
Belton, TX 76513
(254) 933-5353
bellcountyexpo.com

When entering from Loop 121, go around the west side (right) of the building and head to the back (southwest side) of the new facility.

DATE: Monday, June 15, 2020 and Tuesday June 16, 2020
STARTING TIMES AND SCHEDULE ATTACHED
For more information about Validation process, dates, and fees:
<https://animalscience.tamu.edu/livestock-species/equine/state-4h-show/>

ARRIVALS: **Gate opens at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, June 15. Stalls will become available at 8am on Monday.** Stalls will be for available on a first come/first serve basis. Stalls are estimated \$20 per stall per day. Your entry does not guarantee you a stall.

RV Hookups are available at \$20 per night.

Early arrivals on Sunday must be made individually through separate arrangements directly with the Bell County Expo Center. No arena will be available on Sunday.

COGGINS TEST REQUIREMENTS: **All horses on the grounds during the 2020 District 8 Horse Show will be required to furnish proof of a negative test for EIA (Coggins Test) dated within the preceding twelve (12) month period. Any horse unable to furnish the required documentation will be excused from the grounds. This test requires some time for interpretation of results so make potential exhibitors aware of this requirement now.**

COUNTY ENTRY DEADLINE:

ENTRIES: All entries must be completed on 4-H Connect. (<https://texas.4honline.com>)

- Registration will be open from **May 4-22, 2020.**
- A separate registration PER HORSE will need to be completed.
- ***AGAIN THIS YEAR! The Waiver, Indemnification, and Medical Treatment Authorization Form must be signed (by exhibitors and parent or guardian, scanned as a pdf, and uploaded to 4-H Connect during the entry process.***

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- The 4-H member and parent may sign, scan as a pdf and upload the form OR take the signed form to the Extension Office to be scanned as a pdf and uploaded.
- ***AGAIN THIS YEAR! Coggins papers for each horse must be scanned and uploaded to 4-H Connect during the entry process. It is best if the dates of the Coggins test are good THROUGH the dates of the Texas 4-H Horse Show.***
- The worksheet is still included as a GUIDE to help your families. As in the past, one worksheet/one entry per horse should be used. It is NOT required for you to submit the worksheet to the District Office.

PAYMENT:

It is highly recommended that you pay via credit card on 4-H Connect. No personal checks will be accepted. They will be returned if sent in.

If you prefer writing a check, payment must be made to your 4-H Club or County account and a group payment can be sent.

Make checks payable to: _____

FEE:

The entry fee will be \$15 per class.

*NOTE: Only Open Classes having a minimum of 6 paid entries by entry deadline will be held.

VALIDATION AND OWNERSHIP:

Horses must be owned solely by the 4-H member, his/her parents (biological or stepparents), brother, sister, grandparents, or legal guardian, and **validated as a 4-H project by the deadline**. Horses under lease to, but not owned by any of the named persons, do not qualify. Horses owed in partnership or jointly with any person other than those previously listed do not meet ownership requirements.

All horse projects must be validated on 4-H Connect.

- ✓ March 1 – April 15, 2020 – \$10 per horse
- ✓ April 16 – May 1, 2020 – \$20 per horse
- ✓ May 2-5, 2020 – \$250 per horse

For more information, please view the TAMU Animal Science website at <http://animalscience.tamu.edu/academics/equine/state-4h-show/>

QUOTAS:

No county quotas will be established. Each county may determine method for selecting participants for the District Show from the members in good standing in the county 4-H program.

AGE DIVISIONS:

AGAIN THIS YEAR!! There will be two age divisions in all classes except Futurity, Halter, and Drill. In pattern classes, youth will be run together, but scored separately.

CHECK-IN:

Each contestant will need to check in at the Show Office before participating in their classes. Contestants will receive their registration packet at check-in. Contestants are responsible for ensuring correct class entries. Any corrections should be made at that time.

CHECKING BITS: During check-in, each contestant must bring their bridle and bit that will be used on each horse during the show in the classes listed below to be inspected and marked. All bits are subject to additional inspection before entering the class.

Divisions in which bits will be checked: Judged Western, Halter, Hunter-Flat, Futurity, Hunter Over Fences, and Stock Horse.

RULES: The Texas 4-H Horse Show Rules and Regulations will be the official rules for the District 8 4-H Horse Show. You can receive a copy of these rules from your County Extension Agent or via the web at:
<http://animalscience.tamu.edu/academics/equine/state-4h-show/>.

You may also find District 8 4-H Horse Show specific information at the D8 4-H website:
<http://d84-h.tamu.edu/events-and-activities/horse-show/>

HUMANE TREATMENT: The Texas 4-H Horse Program and the District 8 4-H Horse Show are committed to the humane treatment of horse and cattle. Inhumane or abusive treatment may result in disqualification, at the discretion of the show management, members of the horse show management team, and/or judges.

CLASS CHANGES & HORSE CHANGES: A horse that is entered in the incorrect class and requires a *class change* at the District Horse Show will require a \$10 fee per class change. These corrections must be handled in person at the District Horse Show Office. Payments on site must be by check or money order payable to Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service. No cash will be accepted.



The switching out of a horse will be permitted and will require a \$10, with the exception of those who are switching out a horse due to medical reasons, which must be accompanied by a letter from their veterinarian.

LATE ENTRIES AND CLASS ADDITIONS: After the entry deadline, a 4-H member may *add a class* with the class entry fee plus a \$10 per class late entry fee. A 4-H may enter the show site but will be charged a late fee of \$50 (flat rate), plus the \$10 per class late entry fee. The 4-H member will be required to present the necessary paperwork (i.e. Medical Waiver and Coggins Paperwork), to be considered for entry.



Class additions requested until June 9, 2020 will be handled through 4-H Connect. Class additions requested after that point will be handled on site at the District Horse show. Payments on site must be by check or money order payable to Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service. No cash will be accepted.

SAFETY: Class superintendents are ultimately responsible for deciding if arena conditions should be modified to assure safe conditions. It is imperative that exhibitors, parents, volunteers and spectators respond to requests from show officials. All riders must wear footwear and headgear as defined in the 2020 Texas 4-H Horse Show Rules.

POLICY ON MISSED CLASSES: Exhibitors and exhibitors' parents are responsible for keeping track of working orders and for being in line or in the makeup arena when their run or heat time arrives. **Exhibitors who miss their heat or run will forfeit their run in that class, unless they**

notify the class superintendent of an unpreventable emergency before their time to work has passed and show management approves the request.

STALLS:

Stalls are available at an estimated \$20.00 per night on a first-come first-serve basis. **Stall fees will be paid to the Expo Center staff at time of arrival. Stalls will not be available on Sunday. Stalls will be available starting at 6:00 a.m. through 10:00 p.m. on Monday, June 15, 2020. DO NOT SEND STALL FEES WITH ENTRIES.** Shavings are estimated at \$6 per bag. Contestants may not bring their own shavings. Prices are subject to change at the discretion of the facility.

RV Hookups are available at \$20 per night.

FUTURITY:

A nomination for Futurity must have been received through 4-H Connect during the validation process from March 1 through April 15, 2020 (or LATE April 16 – May 1, 2020, or LATE LATE May 2-5, 2020) to be eligible to enter either the District or State Futurities. All ownership and training requirements must be followed to enter the District or State Futurity. Futurity horses must compete in the District 4-H Horse Show to be eligible for the Texas 4-H Horse Show. In order to validate a Futurity horse, the 4-H member must meet the requirements in the Texas 4-H Horse Show Rule Book.

AWARDS:

Special awards will be awarded to first place winners in all classes. Special awards will also be provided to the District High Point Qualifying Divisions - Champion Judged Horseman (Showmanship at Halter, Western Pleasure, Western Horsemanship, Western Riding and Trail), Timed Horseman (Pole Bending, Barrel Racing and Stake Race), Hunter-Flat Horseman (Hunter Showmanship, Hunter Under Saddle, Hunt Seat Equitation and Hunt Seat Versatility), and Stock Horse (Reining, Stock Horse Trail, Stock Horse Pleasure, Stock Horse Horsemanship, and Stock Horse Showmanship) based upon criteria found in the Texas 4-H Horse Show Rule Book.

DRILL TEAMS:

Drill teams will have an opportunity to perform during the District Show as an *exhibition only*. All Drill Team members must register via 4-H Connect and submit the appropriate paperwork by the deadline to enter the District 8 4-H Horse Show.

Drill teams will be responsible for providing their own music and stereo to play music. Drill team performances are for exhibition only. They will not be judged or given feedback.

REINING PATTERNS:

Reining patterns will be chosen from those found in the 2020 Texas 4-H Horse Show Rules and Regulations. The pattern will be selected by the judge and announced and posted prior to the reining class.

JUDGED WESTERN DIVISION AND STOCK HORSE DIVISION SPECIAL NOTES:

- Please note that a horse MAY NOT enter both Class 5 Western Trail and Class 24 Stock Horse Trail.
- Please note that a horse MAY NOT enter both Class 2 Western Pleasure and Class 25 Stock Horse Pleasure.
- Please note that a horse MAY NOT enter both Class 3 Western Horsemanship and Class 26 Stock Horse Horsemanship.
- Please note that a horse MAY NOT enter both Class 1 Showmanship at Halter and Class 27 Stock Horse Showmanship.

ADDITIONAL NOTES:

- Be sure to become familiar with all rules associated with your Division & Class. Changes from the previous year are noted in red text in the Texas 4-H Horse Show Rules.
- Horses are not required to show at halter to be eligible for performance events.
- Timed events will run with the gate open however, show officials reserve the privilege to run timed events with the gate closed.
- Western Trail will begin following Western Horsemanship and run simultaneously with Western Riding and the Speed Division.
- Grade and Registered horses will be shown together in the same class. Mares and Geldings will still be shown separately.

QUALIFYING FOR THE STATE HORSE SHOW:

- In the Qualifying Division, a 4-H member must show their horse in at least one class within a Division in order to qualify with that horse for all classes in that division at the Texas 4-H Horse Show.
 - Exception: If the 4-H member was disqualified from the class at the District 4-H Horse Show then that class does not qualify the 4-H member to compete in the division at the Texas 4-H Horse Show. For example: if an exhibitor does not complete the pattern in showmanship at the district show and is subsequently disqualified then that class does not qualify the exhibitor for the Judged Western Division at the Texas 4-H Horse Show. However, if that same exhibitor then successfully completes another class in that same division then he/she is eligible to enter any of the classes in that division at the Texas 4-H Horse Show.
- To be eligible for the Texas 4-H Horse Show Futurity classes, a 4-H member MUST show in the Futurity classes at the District Show and must show in all three go-rounds at District to qualify.
- Open/Invitational Division - a 4-H member is not required to show in these classes at District in order to enter this division at State. They must, however, meet the entry deadline, which is at the close of the District Show.

TEXAS 4-H HORSE SHOW ENTRY APPLICATIONS:

The Texas 4-H Horse Show will be held in Bryan at the Brazos County Exposition Center, Sunday, July 19 – Saturday, July 25, 2020.

Contestants must register for the Texas 4-H Horse Show on 4-H Connect within 48 hours after their District Horse Show ends. Contestants cannot enter a Qualifying Division at State, unless they showed in at least one class within that same division at District. Contestants do not have to show at District, in order to show in the Open Divisions at State.

RESOURCES:

The TAMU Animal Science website has links to the Texas 4-H Horse Show Rules & Regulations Validation materials. Entry forms, Rules, and additional material will also be posted on the District 8 4-H website on the Horse Show page.

<http://animalscience.tamu.edu/academics/equine/state-4h-show/>

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Schedule – June 15 – 16, 2020

The following schedule is subject to change.

STALLS OPEN AT 6:00 a.m. on Monday, June 15, 2020

No arena will be available on Sunday. Please take note of the earlier start times.

Monday, June 15, 2020, 9am

DOME AREA

Arena opens at 8:00 am for warm up.

Packets will be available for pick up at 8:00am.

Hunter Flat Division

Class 13 – Hunter Showmanship

Class 14 – Hunter Under Saddle

Class 15 – Hunter Seat Equitation

Class 16 – Hunt Seat Versatility

Hunter Over Fences Division

Class 28 – Hunter Hack

Futurity Division

Class 17 – Yearling Halter Geldings

Class 18 – Yearling Halter Fillies

Class 19 – Yearling Showmanship

Class 20 – Yearling Longe Line

WARM-UP & BREAK

Stock Horse & Futurity Division will be at Noon or at the conclusion of the Yearling Futurity Classes



Stock Horse Division & Futurity Division

Stock Horse: Class 27 – Stock Horse Showmanship

Futurity: Class 21C – 2-Year-Old Western Pleasure

Stock Horse: Class 25 – Stock Horse Pleasure

Futurity: Class 21A – 2-Year-Old Pleasure Pattern

Futurity: Class 22A – 3-Year-Old Futurity Pleasure Pattern

Stock Horse: Class 25 – Stock Horse Horsemanship

Futurity: Class 23 – Reining

Futurity: Class 22C – 3-Year-Old Futurity Reining

Stock Horse: Class 24 – Stock Horse Trail*

Futurity: Class 21B – 2-Year-Old Versatility*

Futurity: Class 22B – 3-Year-Old Futurity Trail*

****Trail will be held in the back portion of the main arena following.***

Drill Team – Exhibition Only

Class 29 – Drill Team

Tuesday, June 16, 2020, 7:30am

DOME AREA

Arena opens at 7:00 am for warm up.

Packets will be available for pick up at 7:00am.

Judged Western Division

Class 1 – Showmanship at Halter

Halter Division

Class 6 – Mares 5 & Older

Class 7 – Mares 4 & Under

Class 8 – Geldings 5 & Over

Class 9 – Geldings 4 & Under

WARM-UP & BREAK

Judged Western Division

Class 2 – Western Pleasure Prelims
 Western Pleasure Finals

Class 3 – Western Horsemanship Prelims
 Western Horsemanship Finals

Class 4 – Western Riding

Judged Western Division

****Trail will be held in the upper arena immediately following Western Riding simultaneously with the Speed Division.***

Class 5 – Trail

Speed Division

Class 10 – Pole Bending

Class 11 – Barrel Racing

Class 12 – Stake Race

Please be reminded that times will vary depending upon the number of entries received and arrival rates.

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WAIVER, INDEMNIFICATION, AND MEDICAL TREATMENT AUTHORIZATION FORM

1. EXCULPATORY CLAUSE. In consideration for receiving permission for my/my child’s participation in any and all activities of Texas 4-H (herein referred to as “camp”), which is sponsored by Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service and Texas 4-H Youth Development Program, (herein referred to as “sponsor”), I hereby release, waive, discharge, covenant not to sue, and agree to hold harmless for any and all purposes sponsor, The Texas A&M University System and its members, the Board of Regents for The Texas A&M University System, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, Texas 4-H Youth Development Program, Texas 4-H Inc., Texas 4-H Youth Development Foundation, and their members, officers, servants, agents, volunteers, or employees (herein referred to as RELEASEES or INDEMNITEES) from any and all liabilities, claims, demands, injuries (including death), or damages, including court costs and attorney’s fees and expenses, that may be sustained by me/my child while participating in such activity, while traveling to and from the activity, or while on the premises owned or leased by RELEASEES, including injuries sustained as a result of the sole, joint, or concurrent negligence, negligence per se, statutory fault, or strict liability of RELEASEES. I understand this waiver does not apply to injuries caused by intentional or grossly negligent conduct.

2. INDEMNITY CLAUSE. I am fully aware that there are inherent risks to my child, myself and others involved with this activity, including but not limited to: (1) The tendency of an animal to behave in ways that may result in injury, harm or even death to persons on or around them; (2) The unpredictability of an animal’s reaction to such things as sounds, sudden movement and unfamiliar objects, persons or other animals; (3) Certain hazards such as surface and subsurface conditions; and (4) Collisions and contact with other animals or objects. I choose to voluntarily participate/allow my child to participate in said activity with full knowledge that the activity may be hazardous to me, my child and my property, and to the person and property of others. I acknowledge there may be physically strenuous activities. I know of no medical reason why I/my child should not participate. I agree to indemnify and hold harmless INDEMNITEES from any and all liabilities, claims, demands, injuries (including death), or damages, including court costs and attorney’s fees and expenses, which may occur to myself, my child, other participants, and third-persons as a result of my/my child’s participation in said activity, including injuries sustained as a result of the sole, joint, or concurrent negligence, negligence per se, statutory fault, or strict liability of INDEMNITEES.

3. NO INSURANCE. I understand that RELEASEES may or may not maintain any insurance policy covering any circumstance arising from my/my child’s participation in this activity or any event related to that participation. As such, I am aware that I should review my personal insurance coverage. Organization may not carry general liability insurance to cover claims arising from this activity so it seeks a waiver of claims as additional consideration for the right to participate so organization, can (a) provide the activity at the lowest possible cost to participants; and (b) provide access to a greater number of participants by expending limited resources on program materials rather than on liability insurance.

4. BINDS HEIRS. It is my express intent that this agreement shall bind the members of my family and spouse, if I am alive, and my heirs, assigns and personal representatives, if I am deceased, and shall be governed by the laws of the State of Texas.

5. MEDICAL AUTHORIZATION, INDEMNITY FOR MEDICAL EXPENSES, and WAIVER. I understand RELEASEES cannot be expected to control all of the risks articulated in this form and RELEASEES may need to respond to accidents and potential emergency situations. Therefore, I hereby give my consent for any medical treatment that may be required, as determined by a medical professional at the medical facility, during my/ my child’s participation in this activity with the understanding that the cost of any such treatment will be my responsibility. I agree to indemnify and hold harmless INDEMNITEES for any costs incurred to treat me/my child, even if an INDEMNITEE has signed hospital documentation promising to pay for the treatment due to my inability to sign the documentation. I further agree to release, waive, discharge, covenant not to sue, and agree to hold harmless for any and all purposes, RELEASEES from any and all liabilities, claims, demands, injuries (including death), or damages, including court costs and attorney’s fees and expenses, that may be sustained by me/my child while receiving medical care or in deciding to seek medical care, including while traveling to and from a medical care facility, including injuries sustained as a result of the sole, joint, or concurrent negligence, negligence per se, statutory fault, or strict liability of RELEASEES. I understand this waiver does not apply to injuries caused by intentional or grossly negligent conduct.

6. VOLUNTARY SIGNATURE. In signing this agreement I acknowledge and represent that I have read it, understand it, and sign it voluntarily as my own free act and deed; sponsor has not made and I have not relied on any oral representations, statements, or inducements apart from the terms contained in this agreement. I execute this document for full, adequate and complete consideration fully intending to be bound by the same, now and in the future. I understand I can choose not to sign this document and free myself and my child from its terms and the associated risks of the activity by simply not participating in the activity and choosing some other activity available to me/my child that has a lower level of risk to myself and my child. I further understand this is a voluntary, extracurricular activity. While I understand alternative activities are available to me/my child that do not have the risks associated with this activity I still desire to voluntarily engage/permit my child to engage in this activity.

SIGNING THIS DOCUMENT INVOLVES THE WAIVER OF VALUABLE LEGAL RIGHTS. CONSULT YOUR ATTORNEY BEFORE SIGNING THIS DOCUMENT.

Participant Signature _____ Date _____

Participant Printed Name _____ Participant Date of Birth _____

If participant is 18 years old or younger:

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

Parent/Legal Guardian Printed Name _____

In case of emergency, contact: _____ Phone _____

or _____ Phone _____

If the participant has medical insurance, please indicate:

Insurance Company _____ Policy Number _____

Name of Primary Policy Holder _____

Please list any special services your child may require: _____