

The Utah 4-H Horse Program is designed for those youth with interest in horses and horse events. This program is designed to provide experiences to help them develop leadership, citizenship, self esteem, social skills and to become contributing members of society, as well as becoming better horse men and women. The 4-H Horse Program is designed to be EDUCATIONAL, ACTIVITY ORIENTED, AND FUN for those who become involved.

The 4-H Horse Program is for youth Third through Twelfth grade, but not younger than 8 years old. The horse program is one of only a few 4-H Programs that does not include mini-4-H enrollment (younger than third grade) in order to provide for the safety, and best interests of the participants. Enthusiastic 4-H Volunteers with expertise and interests in horses and working with youth help deliver and manage the program and its objectives.

The 4-H Horse Program includes programs for both those youth who own/have access to horses and those who do not, but still want to learn about the science of equine care and management. Activities can include everything from educational and fun club meetings, to trail rides and from horse shows to service projects. Club members hold club offices, give public speeches and demonstrations, do service projects and spend time with their favorite friends, both human and equine.

The Utah 4-H Horse program is governed by the Utah 4-H Horse Council at the State level which coordinates non horse programs and contests in: Public Speaking, Demonstrations, Hippology, Horse Bowl and Horse Judging and horse riding events and horse shows for English, Western, Two Handed, Working Ranch Horse programs and more.

Check out the Utah 4-H Horse Program by clicking on the items down the left side of the home page at <http://utah4Hhorse.org> or by contacting your local USU Extension Agent, also listed on the website under “Contact Us” and then “County Contacts” for more local and state information.

Happy 4-H Trails,

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