



Kentucky 4-H **HORSE** Achievement Program

Level 2.

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Welcome to Level 2 of your 4-H

Horse Achievement Program. You have successfully completed Level 1 of this program and are now ready for the next level. Congratulations on your work so far. Please check with your leader before you begin to work on this project. Your leader will discuss the project with you and help you plan how to begin.

Remember that you must complete Level 1 before you go on to Level 2, no matter how old you are. Also, remember you do not need to own a horse. Your 4-H leader will help you find access to a horse you can ride as part of this project.

In the 4-H Horse Achievement Program you will have some “hands-on” experience of riding and caring for, horses. You will also talk with veterinarians and horse trainers, visit places where horses are raised and read about horses.

You can take as long or as short a time as you want to complete this workbook. Many 4-H'ers will work on this project for more than a year.

To start, please glance through the whole book. You may want to work on several parts of this project at the same time.

- For example, Section 1 asks you to record when you ride and work with horses every month.
- Meanwhile, you may visit a horse farm or read a horse book.
- And you may begin practicing several kinds of gaits when you ride.

When you have finished this whole workbook and passed the test, you will be an official “Sodbuster.” Then you can move on to Level 3.



4-H Horse Achievement Program

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SECTION 1.— 4-H CLUB EXPERIENCE

A. Participation at Horse Events

1. Riding Record or Service Record (for horseless members)

Month	Type of Riding	Type of Service	Number of Hours
January			
February			
March			
April			
May			
June			
July			
August			
September			
October			
November			
December			

2. List the name and date of at least 5 horse shows, judging contests and/or trial rides you participated in (any level).

Date	Name

3. List the type and date of at least 5 events you participated in. You must include at least 5 of the following: horse tour, farm visit, seminar or workshop, horsemanship clinic, judging clinic. These can be at any level.

Date	Event	Location

B. Management Skills

1. Record Keeping

Project Horse

Horse ID	Sex	Breed	Registration No. ("G" If Grade)	Color/Markings	Intended Use

Feeding Record

Feed Type	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Grain (lb/day) ¹												
Hay (lb/day) ¹												
Pasture (days)												
Total feed cost (month)												

¹ Average lb/day for given month.

2. Discuss with, and get information from, a veterinarian about the following:

a. Signs of colic. _____

b. Types of wormers and methods of administration. _____

c. The horse's normal temperature, resting pulse rate and resting respiration rate. _____

d. Develop a yearly vaccination schedule for your horse. _____

4. Draw or trace a picture of the underside of a horse's hoof and label the parts.

5. List information required to register a horse in a major breed association. _____

6. Identify 3 characteristics of a good pasture. _____

7. Visit a feed mill and record the protein content of:

a. Soybean meal _____

b. Oats _____

c. corn _____

d. Alfalfa meal _____

8. List 4 characteristics of high quality hay. _____

9. Define the following words:

- a. Laminitis _____

- b. Aids _____

- c. Creep feed _____

- d. Gestation length _____

- e. Colic _____

10. Individual Test (Member must complete the prescribed tests under a leader's direction. Other tests may be added).

Test	Date	Signature of Leader
Trim a horse's bridle path		
Clean and rebed a stall		
Lead a foal		
Others (designated by leader)		

C. Identification and Evaluation

1. Identify 4 breeds of horses and discuss their breeds' origin. _____

2. Draw or trace a horse and label all external parts.



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Kentucky 4-H HORSE

Achievement Program

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that

has successfully completed Level 2 of the
4-H Horse Achievement Program by quiz
and practical demonstration and
has earned the title of

S O D B U S T E R

on the _____ day of the _____ month of _____

4-H Project Leader

Date

4-H County Agent

Date

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