# 2023 Ingham County 4-H State Horse Show Delegate Process

**REQUIRED CRITERIA**
- ✓ Be a registered Ing Co 4-H member
- ✓ Complete May 1 Exhibitor Horse/Pony form
- ✓ Complete a State Show Application
- ✓ Volunteer ≥4 hours
- ✓ Take the written test: 0-10 points
- ✓ Show your horse at qualifying shows and classes: earn points from your top 8 classes

**Open Shows with classes eligible for State Show qualifying points**
- **CHUM Dressage Show –** Sat-Sun, June 10 & 11 (pre-registration required by May 30)
- **4-H Leaders Show –** Fri-Sat, June 23-24 (Gymkhana Friday, full show bill Sat.)
- **CHUM Open Show –** Fri-Sun, July 7-9 (Gymkhana Friday, full show bill Sat. and Sun.)

**RULES**
1. Rider 13-19 years old must be a registered Ingham County 4-H member and completed an Exhibitor's Horse /Pony Registration Form by May 1 including Coggins and pictures. Walk Trot exhibitors are not eligible.
2. **State Show Application**:
   a. Complete form by May 1 and submit with Exhibitor/Horse Registration form. Only one horse per rider.
3. **Volunteer Hours**:
   a. 4 hours minimum of community service between September 2022 and June 24, 2023.
   b. Submit completed State Show Volunteer Hour Log by June 24 to 4-H office or Leaders Show office.
4. **Written Test** of Horse Science, Horsemanship and Rules knowledge
   a. Test to be given at Leaders Show during lunch break on June 24 (approx. 1pm).
   b. There will be one make up test event offered for extenuating circumstances. You must request a make-up test with the State Show Delegate Committee no later than June 23.
   c. See Ingham County 4-H Horse Handbook for point scale.
5. Horse changes may be requested up to June 1 in the event of a horse injury or death. A new State Show application, Exhibitor Horse Registration form, coggins, pictures, veterinary statement and letter requesting a change must be submitted to the State Show Delegate Committee for approval. Section changes may also be requested up to June 1 with the State Show Delegate Committee.
6. Classes: Top 8 classes to be calculated per rider on State Show identified horse and section.
   a. Class points: ≥6 riders per class: 1st place receives 6 points with 6th place receiving 1 point. When less than 6 riders the point max will be set at the number or riders present (e.g., if a class has 3 riders, 1st place will receive 3 points with 3rd receiving 1 point).
   b. Eligible classes for Gymkhana: Barrels, Flags, Down & Back, Speed & Action, Poles, Mystery Class and Keyhole.
   c. Eligible classes for Performance: Showmanship, English Pleasure, English Equitation, Western Pleasure, Western Horsemanship, Reining, Trail*, Dressage Seat Equitation, 2 Dressage tests*
      (*in-hand trail, Intro Level dressage tests and musical freestyle not eligible)
      i. Top 2 dressage tests will be used for points in Performance section and Dressage placings will be calculated amongst only 4-H riders.
      ii. Showmanship, riding classes and gymkhana classes are placed amongst all riders within that specific age bracket.
7. State Show Delegate Committee will verify criteria has been met and calculate points from the written test and top 8 classes. State Show Delegates will be announced on July 9 at the conclusion of the CHUM show.
   a. Per MI 4-H Extension the Ingham County quota for delegates for 2023 is 18 riders.
      i. The top 18 riders qualify and 4 alternates with the next highest point totals will be identified in the event that one or more of the delegates is unable to compete at the 4-H State Horse Show.
      ii. State show delegates must submit appropriate paperwork by July 12 by 5pm.

*Question may be direct to Jenny Baker, State Show Delegate Committee Chair at 517-896-5265.*

# Ingham County State Show Application

**Must be turned in with the exhibitors May 1 Horse Registration form by <u>May 1, 2023.</u>**

| Name: | |
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| D.O.B | | 4-H Age: | | Phone #: | |
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| Club: | | | | Leader: | |
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| Horses Name: *(Reg & Nickname)* | |
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| Section Qualifying: | *(Circle one)*    Performance         Gymkhana |
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**Explain in 150 words or less, why you want to compete at the Michigan State 4-H Horse Show:**
*(may attach separate sheet)*

## Michigan State 4-H Horse Show

**What is it?** The MI State 4-H Horse Show brings together delegates from each county. Each delegates slot may only compete 1 day of the event. You may arrive the night before and depart the day of. Stalls must be cleaned.

**When is it?**

<u>Friday, August 18, 2023</u> – 13-19 yrs. Gymkhana

<u>Saturday, August 19, 2023</u> – 16-19 yrs. Sr Showmanship, Equitation, Pleasure, Trail, Dressage and 13-19 yrs. Reining

<u>Sunday, August 20, 2023</u> – 13-15 yrs. Jr Showmanship, Equitation, Pleasure, Trail, Dressage

**Who can participate?** Registered Ingham County 4-H members ages 13-19 that are identified as Delegates and meet the criteria.

## How do I become a Delegate for Ingham Co?

1. Exhibitor must designate on the Exhibitor Registration form and complete a State Show Application by May 1.
2. Must complete a minimum of 4 volunteer hours in the current program year and submit documentation.
3. An exhibitor must take the State Show Written Test. The Test will be offered to all 4-H members at Leaders Show. An alternative date will be offered for exceptions only.
4. Exhibitors may compete at Leaders Show and CHUM Open shows. The exhibitor may enter as many classes as they chose; however only their top eight (8) placing/point will be used to calculate State Show points from designated classes.
5. The exhibitors with the most points will be chosen as State Show delegate to fulfil our county quota of delegates. There is no minimum point requirement.

# State Show Volunteer Hour Log

**Must be turned in to the 4-H office or Leaders Show Office by <u>Saturday, June 24, 2023.</u>**

| Name: | | | | | |
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| D.O.B | | 4-H Age: | | Phone #: | |
| Club: | | | | Leader: | |

**4-H Volunteer Activities:**

Volunteer hours must be performed in the current 4-H year. Paid jobs, or Club fund raisers are not considered volunteer activities. Contact a member of the State Show Delegate Committee if you have questions about specific activities.

| Date | Hours | Activity | Supervisor signature & phone # |
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I have verified that the above information is true and accurate. I understand that failure to record complete, accurate and true information will result in loss of points.

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Rider Signature                                                                    Date

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Parent Signature                                                                 Date

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Leader Signature                                                                 Date