

# Montcalm County

## 4-H Horse and Pony

### Record Book

13 – 15 years old



Name: \_\_\_\_\_ 4-H Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Years in Horse Project: \_\_\_\_\_

4-H Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Horse/Pony 4-H Club Leader: \_\_\_\_\_

Exhibitor Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Began Record Book: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Completed Record Book: \_\_\_\_\_



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## Why Keep Records?

Properly kept records are a vital part of horse ownership. Records give a clear picture of what you have invested in the project. Records also provide you with accurate facts about your horse project.

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Member's Signature

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Parent's Signature

I understand that this is a **completed** Horse Project Record Book as required.

4-H'ers Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

4-H Leader's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

## Extra Credit for My Horse Project?

An outstanding 4-H record book is one that goes above and beyond what is expected. Be creative!

- A completed record book should have a beginning and final picture. You are encouraged to be in the picture with your project animal(s) and to include more pictures. Include captions. You may add additional pages.
- Write a report on a related topic of at least one page: Proper Care and Nutrition; Selection; Animal Science; Safe Management Practices; Diagram of Farm Set-up; Veterinarian Science; Judging; etc.

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## Determining Skill Level Placement

- Leaders should use the following checklist to determine skill level placement
- When a rider has mastered all the skills at their level and 50% of the skills on the next level, they may move up and continue to work on the remaining skills.
- Put a checkmark next to the riding level the 4-H'er will be riding at.

Rider Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

***All riders must demonstrate the basic ring etiquette guidelines as listed below:***

\_\_\_\_\_ Knows when and how to pass safely

\_\_\_\_\_ Remains on the rail

\_\_\_\_\_ Moves in and out of a crowd safely

\_\_\_\_\_ Maintains proper distance around other horses

\_\_\_\_\_ **WALK/TROT:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Leads safely

\_\_\_\_\_ Stops with control

\_\_\_\_\_ Mounts and settles horse

\_\_\_\_\_ Executes a 90 degree turn on the haunches

\_\_\_\_\_ Dismounts safely

\_\_\_\_\_ Maintains a controlled walk

\_\_\_\_\_ Ties with a quick-release knot

\_\_\_\_\_ Backs at least 4 steps

\_\_\_\_\_ Maintains a controlled trot

\_\_\_\_\_ **NOVICE – All previous plus:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Lopes a controlled small circle

\_\_\_\_\_ Recognizes correct leads

\_\_\_\_\_ Recognizes diagonals

\_\_\_\_\_ Recognizes gaits

\_\_\_\_\_ **INTERMEDIATE – All previous plus:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Executes a 180 degree turn on the haunches and forehand

\_\_\_\_\_ Maintains correct leads on the rail

\_\_\_\_\_ Lengthens the walk

\_\_\_\_\_ Lengthens the trot

\_\_\_\_\_ Executes simple lead changes

\_\_\_\_\_ Backs and "L"

\_\_\_\_\_ Performs a figure 8 with lead changes

\_\_\_\_\_ Transitions from walk to lope

\_\_\_\_\_ **ADVANCED – All previous plus:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Side passes

\_\_\_\_\_ Hand gallops with control

\_\_\_\_\_ Serpentes at the trot

\_\_\_\_\_ Back through figure 8

\_\_\_\_\_ Executes a 360 degree turn on the haunches and forehand

\_\_\_\_\_ Counter canters

\_\_\_\_\_ Flying lead changes (*optional*)

Horse Leader's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Evaluator's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# Description of Primary Horse/Pony Project

## Attach Photo Here

Photo should show ENTIRE HORSE clearly

Registered Name of Horse: \_\_\_\_\_

Horse's Nickname: \_\_\_\_\_ Year Born: \_\_\_\_\_

Breed: \_\_\_\_\_ Registered: \_\_\_\_\_ Not registered: \_\_\_\_\_

Color: \_\_\_\_\_ Mare: \_\_\_\_\_ Gelding: \_\_\_\_\_

Horse's Height: \_\_\_\_\_ Horse's Weight: \_\_\_\_\_

I own this horse: \_\_\_\_\_ Purchase Date: \_\_\_\_\_ I lease this horse: \_\_\_\_\_

Please describe your horse: \_\_\_\_\_

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# Description of Secondary Horse/Pony Project

## Attach Photo Here

Photo should show ENTIRE HORSE clearly

Registered Name of Horse: \_\_\_\_\_  
Horse's Nickname: \_\_\_\_\_ Year Born: \_\_\_\_\_  
Breed: \_\_\_\_\_ Registered: \_\_\_\_\_ Not registered: \_\_\_\_\_  
Color: \_\_\_\_\_ Mare: \_\_\_\_\_ Gelding: \_\_\_\_\_  
Horse's Height: \_\_\_\_\_ Horse's Weight: \_\_\_\_\_  
I own this horse: \_\_\_\_\_ Purchase Date: \_\_\_\_\_ I lease this horse: \_\_\_\_\_

Please describe your horse: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

# Horse Health

Veterinarian's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

**Vital Signs** (*Have someone help you take your horse's vital signs*):

My horse's Temperature: \_\_\_\_\_ Respiration: \_\_\_\_\_ Pulse: \_\_\_\_\_

**Immunizations:**

What does "immunization" mean? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Why do you immunize your horse? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Deworming:**

Why do you deworm your horse? \_\_\_\_\_

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How often do you deworm your horse? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Dental Care:**

Equine Dentist's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Did you have any dental work done for your horse this year? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, please explain. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Hoof Care:**

Farrier's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

How often do you get your horse's hooves trimmed? \_\_\_\_\_

Does your horse have shoes? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, why? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Coggins Test** (*Please attach a copy of the current test results*):

Date Taken: \_\_\_\_\_

**Exams, Illnesses and Injuries:**

Did your horse get hurt or sick this year? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, please describe it: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

If not, please explain what you did to maintain your horse's health: \_\_\_\_\_

**Housing and Bedding:**

Tell about where your horse/pony lives: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Is your horse kept in a stall or outside? \_\_\_\_\_ Why? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Do you use any bedding for your horse/pony to sleep on? \_\_\_\_\_ What kind? \_\_\_\_\_

**Feeding:**

Do you feed your horse/pony grain? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, please describe it: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Please describe the hay you feed your horse/pony: \_\_\_\_\_

Does your pony get any special medicine or supplements? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, what are they and why does your animal need them? \_\_\_\_\_

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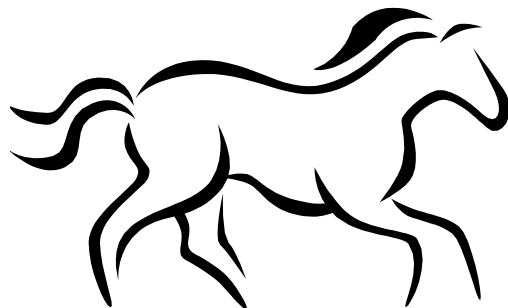
Does your horse/pony get treats? \_\_\_\_\_ What kind? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Does your horse/pony have access to a salt or mineral block? \_\_\_\_\_ Why or why not? \_\_\_\_\_

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## Project Plans and Results

What were your goals for this year? \_\_\_\_\_

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Did you accomplish these goals? \_\_\_\_\_

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What are your goals for next year? \_\_\_\_\_

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## Educational Experiences

Please list any seminars, clinics, demonstrations, meeting presentations or educational books that you completed this year. (*Examples: Showmanship Clinic at MSU; Equine nutrition speaker at 4-H group meeting; Vet-a-Visit; Communicating with Your Horse book by John Lyons; Learning to Groom video*)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Event/Topic: \_\_\_\_\_

What I learned: \_\_\_\_\_

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What I learned: \_\_\_\_\_

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What I learned: \_\_\_\_\_

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Attach additional page(s) if necessary.

## Show Record

Date: _____	Show: _____	Class: _____	Placing: _____
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**Note:** If you were unable to show this year, please explain why: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

***(Please insert the “Educational Page – Ages 13 to 15” here!)***

## **Photographs of Your 4-H Horse/Pony Project**

## My 4-H Horse/Pony Project Record Book Score Sheet

4-H Member: \_\_\_\_\_

4-H Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Page #		Possible Points	Your Points
1	<b>Cover Sheet</b>	10	
	All information neat and complete.		
2	<b>Why Keep Records</b>	5	
	All signatures included.		
3	<b>Skill Level</b>	10	
	Leader's signature.		
4-5	<b>Description(s) of Project</b>	10	
	All information is neat and complete. Includes photograph of project animal(s).		
6	<b>Health Records</b>	10	
	All information is neat and complete.		
6	<b>Coggins</b>	10	
	Current copy attached-required.		
7	<b>Feeding and Bedding</b>	10	
	All information is neat and complete.		
8	<b>Project Plans and Results</b>	5	
	All information is neat and complete.		
9	<b>Education Experiences</b>	10	
	All information is neat and complete.		
10	<b>Show Record</b>	5	
	All information is neat and complete.		
11	<b>Educational Page</b>	10	
	All information is neat and complete.		
12	<b>Photographs</b>	5	
	Photographs are neatly arranged.		
	<b>Total Points</b>	100	
	A: 90 points or above, B: 80 – 89 points, C: 79 points and below		
	<b>Bonus Points - Supplemental</b>	20	
	<b>Grand Total</b>		