

Illinois Association of Vocational Agriculture Teachers Horse Career Development Event

A. General Information

1. Team

The event will include two divisions: (1) Horse Judging - - Non-reasons; (2) Horse Judging - - Reasons. The reasons division will require team members to give oral reasons on one halter (conformation) class and one performance class. Four (4) team members from each school will be permitted to judge in each division. The three (3) individuals earning the highest total scores will constitute the competing team (a school may compete with three members). A school may enter less than three members, but then the member(s) will compete only as individuals. No substitution will be permitted in any division after judging has started and **no extra students** will be permitted to judge.

2. Placings/Scoring

The official placings and reasons for the rings will be given following the final class and after the "reasons" team division has been removed from the judging area..

The event will be scored by Scantron. **The Scantron card used in the event will be *Horse & Livestock – CDE form #239559-2***. The results will be announced as soon as possible after the event.

3. Miscellaneous

No handling of horses will be allowed. Each participant should bring a pencil. Each school with participants must have at least one responsible adult accompanying them. The event will be held in an indoor arena.

Every effort will be made in computing the results to prevent errors. If, however, after the precautionary measures have been taken and the results announced, errors do show up, the results will stand as announced and will not be corrected at a later date.

4. Awards

Each judging division will receive the following awards.

Ribbons will be awarded to all teams that participate. Those teams whose score places them in the upper third of the teams judging will receive blue ribbon awards, those in the next third will receive red ribbons and those in the lowest third will receive white ribbons. Plaques will be awarded to the top three (3) teams. The teams in the superior group will also be ranked in score order. Ribbons will be given to each individual that participates. Individuals whose score places them in the upper third of the teams judging will receive blue ribbon awards, those in the next third will receive red ribbons and those in the lowest third will receive white ribbons. Superior ribbons will be awarded to the top ten (10) individuals. A trophy will be awarded to the top individual. **The highest eligible team in the reasons division will represent Illinois in the National FFA Career Development Event.**

5. Additional Information

Refer to the *Annual Information and General Rules* section for the current year for information concerning **Entry Fees, Registration, and Location** of the event.

B. Event Format

1. Placing Classes (50 points each)

There will be eight placing classes, representing as many breeds as possible.

For non-state level events, use Regular Placing Card (shown below).

TEAM NUMBER	PARTICIPANT NUMBER	RING NUMBER

DIRECTIONS – Below are all the possible placings for a ring of 4 individuals. Draw a circle around the placing which you consider correct for the ring you are judging.

A=1-2-3-4	G=2-1-3-4	M=3-1-2-4	S=4-1-2-3
B=1-2-4-3	H=2-1-4-3	N=3-1-4-2	T=4-1-3-2
C=1-3-2-4	I=2-3-1-4	O=3-2-1-4	U=4-2-1-3
D=1-3-4-2	J=2-3-4-1	P=3-2-4-1	V=4-2-3-1
E=1-4-2-3	K=2-4-1-3	Q=3-4-1-2	W=4-3-1-2
F=1-4-3-2	L=2-4-3-1	R=3-4-2-1	X=4-3-2-1

2. **Reasons Classes** (50 Points each)

Contestants entering the Reasons Division at the State CDE will provide oral reasons for their placing in two of the placing classes.

C. Suggested References

1. Judging Booklets

J150a – *Judging Horses*, Information Technology and Communication Services, 1410 South Maryland Drive, Urbana, Illinois 61801 Telephone: 217/333-3871 Fax 217/333-0005

Black Hawk East Horse Judging Manual, Black Hawk East, Attn. Aaron Callahan, Agri-Business Club, P.O. Box 489, Kewanee, Illinois 61443 Telephone: 309/852-5671 Fax. 309/856-6005

2. Other References

Career Development Events Handbook 2006-2010. National FFA Organization, P.O. Box 68960, 6060 FFA Drive, Indianapolis, IN.46268-6060.

D. Judging Cards

Cards for this event may be ordered from Information Technology and Communication Services, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 1 (800) 345-6087 OR (217) 333-3871