

2025-2026

TEXAS 4-H ROUNDUP HORSE JUDGING



Objectives of the contest

- To increase knowledge of Equine evaluation and selection techniques
- To employ decision making skills
- To create a sense of team work
- To learn to make individual decisions and support them with oral statements

Classes:

- 2 to 4 Halter Classes
- 4 to 6 Performance Classes
- Performance classes will be chosen from the following: trail, western pleasure, western horsemanship, western riding, reining, showmanship at halter, hunter under saddle, hunt seat equitation, hunter hack, stock horse pleasure, ranch riding, and working cow horse
- Three or four sets of oral reasons are required—one or two halter and two or three performance.
- One or more of the classes in this contest may be presented via electronic methods such as video or DVD.
- Classes will be judged according to the current AQHA Handbook of Rules and Regulations and the American Stock Horse Association Handbook (Stock Horse Pleasure Only)

Materials:

Contestants will NOT be allowed to carry or review a rule book during the contest. Blank paper is to be used for taking notes. No pre printed material will be allowed.



General Rules:

- See the Texas 4-H Judging Contest General Rules & Guidelines and Texas 4-H Roundup Handbook