

2020 Horse Explorer Requirements & Schedule

The Kent County Explorer Program is designed to provide an exciting, safety driven educational experience that will equip 5-7-year-old Explorers for future membership into the Kent County Horse and Pony Project.

Explorer Requirements:

To participate in all 2020 Fair Activities, Explorers **MUST**:

- Be enrolled in an active Kent County 4-H Horse Club.
- Submit the Explorer Declaration Form and fee by the May Horse Leader meeting naming their project horse and mentor*
- Complete their age appropriate Record Book (5-7 year olds) & Dismounted Abilities (6 and 7-year olds)
- Participate in Explorer Fitting & Showing
- Explorer must complete stick horse to participate in events throughout the week

Mentor Requirement:

- Mentors for non-horse activities must be 13 years of age as of January 1, 2020
- Adult mentors 18 years or older are required for events with the horse.
 - ❖ 5 year old Explorer Showmanship- Adult Mentor is to have additional lead attached to horse for showmanship.
 - ❖ 6 year old Explorer Showmanship- Adult Mentor is to have additional lead attached to horse for showmanship.
 - ❖ 6 year old Explorer Pattern - Adult Mentor is to walk with/near Explorer for Riding Pattern.
 - ❖ 7 year old Explorer - Adult Mentor is to walk with/near Explorer for Showmanship, Riding Pattern and Rail class.

Helmet/Boots Requirements

- Helmets and boots are required for all Explorers when handling a horse/pony, mounted, entering the horse arena while horses are present, working in/out gates and entering a stall with the horse/pony.

Additional Comments

- Explorers hauling a horse to fair on Monday that is not already on the grounds is required to give their leader a proof of required vaccines and coggins due at the July Horse Leaders Meeting.
- The Explorer activities are a privilege for our enrolled Horse Explorers.
 - ❖ **ONLY** those Explorers who are on the class enrollment list will be admitted into the activities.
- Explorers are required to wear their name badges at every Explorer event.
- Mentors and/or parents are REQUIRED to help with the Stick Horse Construction and parade.

Fair 2020 Explorer Activities:

Sunday: August 9

1:30 Kent County Explorer Recognition- Community Tent

8:30 Kickoff Event – Exercise Arena (Grass)

Monday: August 10

2:15 EXPLORER EVENTS Refer to Explorer Guidelines

Ring A

E01	7 Year Old Showmanship
E02	6 Year Old Showmanship
E03	5 Year Old Showmanship
E04	7 Year Old Riding Pattern
E05	7 Year Old Equitation Rail Class
E06	6 Year Old Riding Pattern
E07	7 Year Old Pleasure Rail Class

Tuesday: August 11

4:30 PM EXPLORER EVENT – late arrival will forfeit event

E08 Explorer Stick Horse Construction – King Building (MENTOR OR PARENT REQUIRED TO ASSIST IN CONSTRUCTION)

EXPLORER EVENT – takes place immediately after stick horse construction

Explorer Stick Horse Parade – from King Building – Midway – Animal Barns – Horse Arena

Wednesday: August 12

6:00 PM EXPLORER EVENT

E09 Explorer Stick Horse Contesting Event – Exercise Arena (grass)

Thursday: August 13

6:00 PM EXPLORER EVENT

E10 Explorer Stick Horse Reining Event – Exercise Arena (grass)

Friday: August 14

12:00am EXPLORER EVENT

E11 Explorer Stick Horse Trail