



**THE LAFAYETTE PARISH 4-H
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PREMIER EXHIBITOR NEWS

TO: Premier Exhibitor and Parents

RE: Premier Exhibitor Rules/Regulations

Dear Exhibitor:

This letter is to announce the continuation of the Premier Exhibitor Programs for the 2009 Show Season. A Premier Exhibitor Program will be conducted at the Parish, District, and State Livestock Shows. These programs will be a continuation of the programs that were introduced in the past. These programs are based on the knowledge and skills that an exhibitor knows in their project area. All 4-H Members that are participating in the horse shows are urged to participate in the program(s) that meet the requirements.

Participation in these programs are voluntary, but additional awards will be given to the winners. Winners will be recognized from each of the livestock species that are exhibited at the different show levels. The contest will consist of the exhibitors earning points from each of the following: an exam, skill-a-thon activity, showmanship, and at Parish a "Showing Character" session. Only 4-H horse exhibitors that participated in the "SHOWING CHARACTER" meetings are eligible for the parish contest.

A Premier Exhibitor Packet is attached. It contains general rules, entry form and specific information. The exam and skill-a-thon will be conducted on *Sunday, June 14 at 12:00 or 15 minutes after the conclusion of the speed events*. It will take place at the *Sugarena Complex in New Iberia*. Begin making plans accordingly, if you choose to participate in this program. Awards will be presented immediately after the conclusion of our show.

Each of the programs for the Parish, District, and State Livestock Shows are similar; however, they each have their unique qualities. These programs are also open to different species, age groups, and grade levels. The exam questions will be based on the LCES specie project books. These are the project books that were given out this school year 2008-2009. If you would like a copy of the specie book(s), they can be picked up at our office.

LAFAYETTE PARISH PREMIER EXHIBITOR PROGRAM - General Rules

- Open to all exhibitors ages (9 years and older)
- Must participate in at least one session of "Showing Character"

ACADIANA DISTRICT PREMIER EXHIBITOR PROGRAM -General Rules

- Open to all exhibitors in high school (7th-12th grades)

STATE PREMIER PROGRAM - General Rules

- Open to all exhibitors in high school (9th-12th grades).

The rules listed above are basic rules of each contest. The general and specific rules are attached.

Enclosed you will find an entry form/resume form for each of the different levels of the program. If you are interested in participating in any of these program(s) you must submit an entry/resume form for each program(s) that you meet the requirements. The entry forms should be received in the LSU Ag Center, Lafayette Office by close of business on **Friday, June 5, 2009**. If you have any questions, please contact us at 291-7090.

Sincerely,

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LAFAYETTE PARISH HORSE SHOW PREMIER EXHIBITOR PROGRAM

Purpose

The Premier Exhibitor Program is designed to place emphasis and recognition on the exhibitor's knowledge and skills in the 4-H/FFA Horse project. The program provides additional awards and recognition to exhibitors at the Acadiana district Horse Show. This program is available to exhibitors in fourth through twelfth grades (4—12).

General Rules

1. The Premier Exhibitor Program is optional. To participate, an exhibitor must be available for the different activities at the specified times.
2. All exhibitors are eligible to compete (9 years and older).
3. An exhibitor must be properly entered and exhibit a horse at the Lafayette Parish Horse Show.
4. All entry forms for the Premier Exhibitor Program must be in your parish 4-H office by June 5, 2009, to be eligible to compete.
5. Awards will be presented to the top three Premier Exhibitors.
6. All decisions are final and are not subject to protests.
7. An exhibitor **may win the First Place** Lafayette parish Horse Show Premier Exhibitor contest **only once**.
8. Written exams will be taken from (the new CCS books) 4-H Horse project books and the State Premium List. The project books and Premium List are available from your parish 4-H office.
9. Completing the attached entry form will enter you in the Lafayette Parish Horse Show Premier Exhibitor Program only. **A separate Resume Form must be completed for the District and State Premier Exhibitor Program.**
10. All ties will be broken using the following system in the order listed below:
 1. Exam Score
 2. Skill-a-thon Score
 3. Performance Event Score

PREMIER HORSE EXHIBITOR PROGRAM SCORING SYSTEM

	<u>%</u>	<u>Points</u>
1. "Showing Character" Program Participation in at least one session of the program.	10	50
2. Skill-a-thon - (Parish Horse Show) Sunday, June 14 at 12:00 Noon or 15 minutes following speed events - Sugarena, New Iberia	40	200
3. Written Exam - (See resource list)	40	200
4. Designated Performance Event Score (25 points for participation - 2.5 point increments for 10th through 1st)	10	50
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Overall Score	100%	500 Points

Resources

Horsing Around (Horse 1) (4th - 6th grade level)
 Galloping Around (Horse 2) (7th - 9th grade level)
 Blazing trails (Horse 3) (10th - 12th grade level)
 Louisiana 4-H and FFA State Horse Show Catalog

Possible Skill-a-thon Activities

1. Pedigree/Registration Evaluation
2. Identification of horse body parts
3. Identification of horse breeds
4. Identification of feed ingredients and/or what each is used for
5. Demonstration of knot tying
6. Horse visual appraisal and evaluation
7. Identification of age of horse by mouthing
8. Evaluation of lead change
9. Identification of horse equipment and attire
10. Color identification of horses

Awards Presentations

The awards will be given at the conclusion of the Lafayette Parish Horse Show, **Sunday, June 14, 2009**. This will take place in UL Lafayette Blackham Coliseum.

ACADIANA DISTRICT HORSE SHOW PREMIER EXHIBITOR PROGRAM

Purpose

The Premier Exhibitor Program is designed to place emphasis and recognition on the exhibitor's knowledge and skills in the 4-H/FFA Horse Project. The program provides additional awards and recognition to exhibitors at the Acadiana District Horse Show. This program will involve exhibitors in grades 7th-12th.

General Rules

1. The Premier Exhibitor Program is optional. To participate, an exhibitor must be available for the different activities at the specified times.
2. Only 7th-12th grade exhibitors are eligible to compete.
3. An exhibitor must be properly entered and exhibit a horse at the Acadiana District Horse Show.
4. All entry forms for the Premier Exhibitor Program must be in your parish 4-H office by **June 5, 2009**, to be eligible to compete.
5. Awards will be presented to the top five Premier Exhibitors.
6. All decisions are final and are not subject to protests.
7. An exhibitor may win the First Place Acadiana District Horse Show Premier Exhibitor contest only once.
8. Written exams will be taken from (the new CCS books) 4-H Horse project books and the State 4-H and FFA State Horse Show Catalog.
9. Completing the attached entry form will enter you in the Acadiana District Horse Show Premier Exhibitor Program only. **A separate Resume Form must be completed for the State Premier Exhibitor Program.**
10. All ties will be broken using the following system in the order listed below:
 1. Exam Score
 2. Skill-a-thon Score
 3. Performance Event Score

PREMIER HORSE EXHIBITOR PROGRAM SCORING SYSTEM

	<u>%</u>	<u>Points</u>
1. Written Exam - (See resource list) Thursday, July 2 at <u>10:30 a.m.</u> or 30 minutes After conclusion of team penning Blackham Coliseum	45	225
2. Skill-a-thon - (5 stations - see list) Thursday, July 2nd Following the exam	45	225
3. Designated Performance Event Score (25 points for participation - 2.5 point Increments for 10th through 1st)	10	50
Overall Score		100% 500 Points

Resources

Giddy Up & Go {Horse 1} (4th - 6th grade level)
 Head, Heart & Hooves {Horse 2} (7th - 9th grade level)
 Riding The Range {Horse 4} (10th - 12th grade level)
 Louisiana 4-H and FFA Sate Horse Show Catalog

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2. The identification of horse body parts
3. Identification of horse breeds
4. Identify feed ingredients and/or what each is use for
5. Demonstration of knot tying
6. Horse visual appraisal and evaluation
7. Identify age of horse by mouthing
8. Evaluation of lead change
9. Identifying horse equipment and attire
10. Color identification of horses

Awards Presentation

Awards will be given at the conclusion of the Acadiana District Horse Show, Saturday, July 4, 2009. This will take place in UL Lafayette Blackham Coliseum.



Premier Exhibitor General Rules

1. The Premier Exhibitor Program is optional. To participate, an exhibitor must be available for each activity at the specified times.
2. Only senior level exhibitors are eligible to compete (Grades 9 through 12).
3. Premier Exhibitor Programs are available for Beef, Dairy, Poultry, Sheep, Swine, Goat and Horse Projects. An exhibitor may compete in one or more Premier Exhibitor Programs provided they exhibit a qualified animal at the LSU AgCenter State Livestock and Poultry Show or State 4-H/FFA Horse Show in Baton Rouge for each project resume submitted.
4. All resumes (entry forms) must be in the State Livestock show Office by January 18 for Livestock and May 25 for Horse of the participating year to be eligible to compete. A different resume (entry form) must be submitted for each project.
5. Awards will be presented to the top 5 exhibitors in each project.
6. All decisions are final and are not subject to protests.
7. An exhibitor may be named Premier Exhibitor in a project only once.
8. Written exam questions will be taken from project books and LCES numbered publications unless otherwise noted.

First Place Premier Exhibitor—Belt Buckle, Monogrammed Jacket and Savings Bond Premium Award

2nd - 5th Place Exhibitors - Awards and savings bond premium awards.



Purpose

The Premier Exhibitor Program is designed to place emphasis and recognition on the exhibitor's knowledge and skills in the 4-H and FFA projects. The program provides additional awards and recognition to all exhibitors at the LSU AgCenter Livestock and Poultry Show. The program will involve exhibitors in 9th through 12th grade.

Premier Horse Exhibitor Program Senior Level (9-12th grade)

<u>Category</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>Points</u>
1. Resume	20	100
2. Test	20	100
3. Skill-a-thon	20	100
4. Judging	20	100
5. Interview	20	100
Total	100	

Premier Horse Exhibitor Resources

1. All 4-H Horse Project Books
2. 4-H and FFA State Horse Show Catalog
3. Horse Judging Manual
4. LSU AgCenter web pages: www.louisianalivestock.org and www.horsequest.info

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**LAFAYETTE PARISH HORSE SHOW
PREMIER EXHIBITOR ENTRY FORM 2009**

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ ZIP _____ 4-H _____ FFA _____

PARISH _____ FFA CHAPTER _____

BIRTH DATE _____ AGE AS OF JANUARY 1, 2009 _____

SCHOOL GRADE _____ As of January 1, 2009

This form should be returned to Mr. Charles Hebert by **June 5, 2009.**

Performance score will be calculated based on the placing of the exhibitor and their horse. These points are limited to any performance class. (Halter is not included as a performance class). The exhibitor must provide name of horse and one performance event by listing class number and name of class that he/she wishes to designate for performance score. The designated performance score will be calculated as shown on Page 3. No substitutions will be allowed.

Name of Horse _____

Name and Number of Performance Event _____

List any special needs, that may be needed during the Premier Exhibitor Program:

I understand the rules and regulations of the Lafayette Parish Horse Show Premier Exhibitor Program and agree to abide by them. By signing this form, I agree to comply with the rules and regulations.

Exhibitor Signature _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Agent Signature _____

Completing this form will only enter you in the Lafayette Parish Horse Show Premier Exhibitor Program. A separate Resume Form must be completed for the District and State Premier Exhibitor Program.

ACADIANA DISTRICT HORSE SHOW PREMIER EXHIBITOR ENTRY FORM 2009

NAME _____ SS# _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ ZIP _____ 4-H _____ FFA _____

PARISH _____ FFA CHAPTER _____

BIRTH DATE _____ AGE AS OF JANUARY 1, 2009 _____

SCHOOL GRADE _____

I am a previous winner of the district premier exhibitor program and want to participate as a practice only. ____ Yes ____ No

This form should be returned to your Parish 4-H Agents Office by **June 5, 2009**.

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Name of Horse _____

Name and Number of Performance Event _____

List any special needs that may be needed during the Premier Exhibitor Program: _____

I understand the rules and regulations of the Acadiana District Horse Show Premier Exhibitor Program and agree to abide by them. By signing this form, I agree to comply with the rules and regulations.

Exhibitor Signature _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Agent Signature _____

Completing this form will only enter you in the Acadiana District Horse Show Premier Exhibitor Program. A separate Resume Form must be completed for the State Premier Exhibitor Program.



LSU AgCenter/LCES Premier Exhibitor Entry Form

NAME _____ SS# _____

BIRTH DATE _____ ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ ZIP _____ 4-H _____ FFA _____

PARISH _____ FFA CHAPTER _____

The entire resume must be filled out in your own handwriting. List only information and activities aht occurred during the past calendar year. List only activities, shows and awards that pertain to this project. Use a separate entry form for each species entered.

Circle One of the Following:

BEEF

SWINE

POULTRY

DAIRY

SHEEP

GOATS

HORSE

Description and Size of Project (Describe your project):

Educational and Leadership Activities (Workshops, clinics, demonstrations, etc.):

Livestock Shows and Exhibitions Participated In:

Awards and Achievements (show placing, contests, field days, etc.):

Signature of Exhibitor

Date

I Certify that the above exhibitor is a member in good standing and has met all the requirements for the above project.

Signature of Agent/FFA Advisor

Date