**North Carolina 4-H Horse Program**

**Public Speaking Contest Score Card**

**Name:**

**Title:**

**State:**

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|  | **Possible Points** | **Points Earned** |
| **A. SPEECH FORMAT** | **20** |  |
| * Speech followed a logical order
* Introduction was adequate and drew attention to the topic
* Main discussion was well organized and adequately covered the chosen topic
* Summary was brief and clearly reiterated the key points
* Additional Notes:
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| **B. KNOWLEDGE OF SUBJECT MATTER** | **25** |  |
| * Facts and information presented were accurate
* High level of preparation was shown as evidenced by the amount and depth of information provided about the subject
* Approved practices were discussed
* Additional Notes:
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| **C. DELIVERY**  | **25** |  |
| * Speaker was neatly and appropriately dressed
* Speaker spoke directly to and looked at the audience and maintained strong eye contact
* Speech pace was consistent and appropriate (not too fast or too slow)
* Speaker displayed enthusiasm while speaking
* Speaker had good voice control and quality
* Words were pronounced correctly and proper word choice was used
* If notes were used, it was done without detracting from the speech
* Speaker seemed to choose words at the times they were spoken as opposed to a memorized speech
* Additional Notes:
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| **D. CREDIT AND CONTENT** | **20** |  |
| * Information was obtained from reputable and/or equine research based information or sources
* Credit was given to the sources of information if it was appropriate
* Content was appropriately related to the equine industry
* Additional Notes:
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| **E. QUESTIONS**  | **10** |  |
| * Speaker handled questions easily and with confidence
* Speaker was thoughtful in responses and thoroughly answered questions correctly
* Response to questions indicate a deeper knowledge and understanding of the topic
* Additional Notes:
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|  | **TOTAL POINTS AWARDED:** |  |
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|  | **TIME:** |  |
| *References are not to be included in the time limit.* |
| **Time Limits:** | 9-10 years of age minimum of 4 minutes - maximum of 10 minutes11-13 years of age minimum of 4 minutes - maximum of 10 minutes14-18 years of age minimum of 7 minutes - maximum of 10 minutes3 points will be deducted from the total score for every minute or fraction of a minute under or over the above limits  |
|  | **Minus Time Penalty Points** |  |
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|  | **FINAL SCORE:** |  |

**Judge’s Comments:**