

## 2026 OUTSTANDING HORSE MEMBER AWARD

- \* Any Ashland County 4-H'er or FFA Member enrolled in a Horse Project may apply for this award.
- \* All points, except for bonus points, will be accumulated for Ashland County Saddle Horse Committee sponsored events.
- \* Must complete a one page essay worth 20 points. This essay can be on anything about your horse project.
- \* The purpose of this award is to give recognition to horse members for their participation, knowledge and record keeping. Developing horsemanship skills in a fun and educational atmosphere is the focus of this award.
- \* **The completed participation sheet, record book and project book(s) must be turned into the Ashland County Extension Office by 3 pm. Friday, October 10. The office closes at 3 p.m. There are no exceptions to this due date. These items must be in a three ring binder.**
- \* Up to six (6) awards will be given.
- \* **Neatness Counts!**
- \* Books will be evaluated by same group of committee members.

### Points will be awarded as follows:

- Project Book(s) (25 points maximum)
  - Will be judged on neatness, organization, completeness.
  - For projects other than #174 and FFA, an Equine Record Book is also required.
  - Judging score sheets for all projects must be included. Ten points will be deducted if a scoresheet is missing or it is not in a three-ring binder.
- Ashland County 4-H Shows (10 points each)
  - Participation must be verified by signature of designated horse committee member present for that day. Participation means working on ring crew, showing in 2 or more classes, running gates, etc. Workers need to sign in at the entry booth both time in and time out. Must work at least 2 hours.
- Essay (20 points)
- Outstanding Horseman Test (25 points maximum).  
This written knowledge test can be taken at the horse project book judging in August or at Fair Check In. Test may be read to a member if an accommodation is needed.

### BONUS

- \* Additional Clinics, Workshops or Shows Attended. (2 point each; maximum 40 points)  
Two points for other clinics, workshops or shows. Observing events such as these are good learning experiences. It must be an event planned and organized by any horse organization. Attendance must be verified by signature of event sponsor. Club workouts do not apply.

## PARTICIPATION SHEET - 2026

**Ashland County Shows:** must enter 2 or more classes or work at least 2 hours to get credit (10 points for each show)

SHOW	DATE	HORSE COMMITTEE SIGNATURE
Ashland Co. 4-H/FFA Horse Show – 10 pts	May 9	
Ashland Co. 4-H/FFA Show - 10 pts	June 6	
Ashland Co. 4-H/FFA Show - 10 pts	June 13	
Ashland Co. 4-H/FFA Horse Show - 10 pts	July 11	
Ashland Co. 4-H/FFA Horse Show - 10 pts	August 1	
Ashland Co. Fair Monday Show - 10 pts	September 21	
Ashland Co. Fair Wednesday Show - 10 pts	September 23	

**Ashland County Clinics:** (10 points for each clinic)

CLINIC	DATE	SIGNATURE OF EVENT SPONSOR
Ashland Co. Clinic - 10 pts	May	
Ashland Co. Clinic - 10 pts	June	
Ashland Co. Clinic – 10 pts	August	



