Cass County
Youth Draft Horse

Project Record Book

Name _____

Address _____

City / State _____

4-H Club _____

Leader _____

No. of Years in Project _____   Age as of Jan. 1 of current year _____

Record Started _____   Record Ended _____

Cass County youth Draft Horse
Evaluation / Workbook Guidelines

This is a mandatory part of the Cass County Youth Draft Horse project. All workbooks must be completed and handed in to the youth superintendent by the last required workout at the fairgrounds. Exhibitors will be divided into age groups according to showmanship classes:

Senior Evaluation – 15 years of age and over
Intermediate Evaluation – 12 to 14 years of age
Beginner Evaluation – 11 years of age and under

➢ The workbook must be completed in ink and in its entirety.

➢ Each exhibitor should submit the workbook and all attachments to the youth superintendent in a three ring binder. Each year the exhibitor is in the project, they will add to the binder.

Selection & Judging	Breeds of Horses
Parts of a Horse	Feeding & Rations
Care of Feet & Shoeing	Grooming & Care
Driving Skills / Training	Showing the Horse
Safety with Horses	Horse Health (can include information on mares/foals/shelters

➢ Each exhibitor is required to compose a research paper on one of the following topics:

➢ There will be a word minimum for each age group:

Seniors – 400 word minimum
Intermediates – 250 word minimum
Beginners – 100 word minimum

➢ Exhibitors must choose a new topic each year they are involved in the project.

➢ ***NO PLAGERISM!***

Objectives of the Youth Draft Horse Project

➢ To develop leadership, initiative, self-reliance, and sportsmanship.

➢ To experience the pride and responsibility of owning a horse and to learn about the care, feeding, management, and how to maintain the health of the animal.

➢ To learn safety precautions to prevent injuries to themselves, to others, and to their animal.

➢ To prepare for citizenship responsibilities by working together in groups and supporting community projects and activities.

➢ To appreciate a draft horse as a healthy and wholesome form of recreation, as well as to gain an appreciation of our conservation and natural resources through draft horses.

NOTE: Exhibitors are urged to own their own horses, but it is not required
Records should be kept in accordance with county requirements.

Why should I keep records?

Careful record keeping helps to answer all of the "hard-to-answer" questions at a moment's notice.

Properly kept records will give you a clear picture of what you have done in your hosrse project work. In fact, at the end of the year, you will have solid facts rather than haphazard "guesstimates".

Remember: Records are not only for your benefit…
They are the key to your horse's future!

Horse Owner Information:

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Description of horse or horses being used in this project (use additional sheets if needed):

Name of Horse: _____ Breed: _____

Registration Number (if registered): _____

Color: _____ Height: _____ Weight: _____

Year Foaled: _____

What kind of training has your horse had prior to this year? _____

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_____

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Registration Number (if registered): _____

Color: _____ Height: _____ Weight: _____

Year Foaled: _____

What kind of training has your horse had prior to this year? _____

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Feed Record Summary

(Fill out for each month)

Month	Grain Lbs.	Cost	Hay / Pasture Lbs.	Cost	Supplements Lbs.	Cost
January						
February						
March						
April						
May						
June						
July						
August						
September						
October						
November						
December						
TOTALS						

Total Feed Cost _____

(Add the total of the three feed columns)

Miscellaneous Expense

Date	Kind (insurance, shoeing, vet, etc.)	Cost

Total Miscellaneous Expense _____

Time Spent in Care and Handling of the Horse

(Use additional sheets if necessary)

Date	Hours	Summary

Project Inventory

List horse(s) and any equipment used in the project. Indicate the cost or value of each.

Item	Owned By		Cost/Value of Horse or Equip.
	Someone Else	Exhibitor	

Don't forget to include:

Research Paper
Pictures
All prior years' draft horse project books