



New Mexico State 4-H Horse School NMSU Main Campus, Las Cruces, NM May 29 – 30, 2026

The 2026 State 4-H Horse School will be held Friday, May 29 through Saturday, May 30, 2026 at the NMSU College of ACES Student Learning Center Arena and NMSU Equine Center in Las Cruces, NM.

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Registration will be done by County 4-H Agents via ZSUITE. County Extension Offices will register their youth and adults and the **registration will be open April 13 through May 4**. New Mexico 4-H Horse School check in will begin at 4:00 PM on Friday, May 29th. We will hand out t-shirts, nametags, and saddle tags to each participant when they arrive. Counties will be given specific stall assignments. Instructors will be located at different locations around the complex and will help you with your stall assignments and parking. When you unload your horse then go to the designated arena to register.

NO APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER MAY 4, 2026 A MINIMUM OF 15 TOTAL PARTICIPANTS MUST APPLY FOR 4-H HORSE SCHOOL TO OCCUR.

1. If a cancellation occurs after MAY 4th, there will be a \$50 cancellation fee.
2. The cost will be \$125.00 per person. This fee includes stall space for one horse.
3. All applicants with a horse(s), must have a helmet and boots with heels to ride. **NOBODY** is allowed on their horse unless they have them on. You must bring your own helmet and it must be ASTM certified.
4. Each county must have a chaperone for every eight (8) youth or fraction thereof. Designated Chaperones DO NOT PAY and are welcome to attend all sessions. **The County Agent MUST designate the "Free County Chaperone"**. Any other Chaperones enrolled and screened are welcomed at no cost. **Adults/Chaperones are not allowed to bring horses.**
5. Chaperones and leaders must be enrolled and screened as per 4-H policy prior to registration.

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6. If enough two-year old Western Pleasure Futurity horses apply by May 1, 2026, special classes will be held on training the futurity horse. If this does happen, you may bring a second horse to ride in the classes.
7. Participants are required to secure their own housing and meals.
8. The participant fee with horses covers stall space for **ONE** horse. The only reason to bring two will be if you are bringing a futurity horse. If you are bringing a futurity horse, then you must put it on your application for an extra stall.
9. Only meals listed as "Provided" on the 2026 NM 4-H Horse School Schedule will be provided. No other meals will be provided.
10. Where applicable, you should bring Western and English tack, feed, and feed-water containers. Also, you should bring pitchforks or rakes for cleaning stalls. Split reins are required.

11. We do not provide horses.

12. No dogs will be allowed.
13. Horse participants must wear Western or English boots to ride. Absolutely no Tennis Shoes or type of tennis shoe (Heals Down etc.) You have to wear BOOTS! Break them in before Horse School.
14. Due to insurance restrictions, only youth enrolled in the 4-H program for 2026 may participate and who are enrolled in horse project may attend.
15. We do not furnish stall bedding.
16. You must clean your stall before leaving. As in years past you may have to help clean your stall before you can stall your horse at the beginning of New Mexico 4-H Horse School.
17. Use of cell phones is prohibited during workshops, after curfew and riding sessions. **PERIOD!**
18. No loud music.
19. Participants will be sent a confirmation letter along with a list of things to bring.