



New Mexico State 4-H Horse School

Dona Ana County Fair Grounds

Las Cruces, NM June 2 – 5, 2025

The 2025 State 4-H Horse School will be held Monday, June 2 through Thursday, June 5, 2025 at the Dona Ana County Fair Grounds and NMSU Equine Center in Las Cruces, NM.

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Registration will be done on the 4-H Forms site program. County Extension Offices will register their youth and adults and the **registration will be open April 18 through May 16**. Participants arriving on Sunday June 1st may stall horses at their own expense. New Mexico 4-H Horse School check in will begin at 9:00 AM on Monday, June 2nd. 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 16, 2025 A MINIMUM OF 30 TOTAL PARTICIPANTS MUST APPLY FOR 4-H HORSE SCHOOL TO OCCUR.

1. If a cancellation occurs after MAY 16th, there will be a \$50 cancellation fee.
2. The cost will be \$250.00 per person. This fee includes stall space for one horse plus arena fees.
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, 2025, 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 2025 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 (Heels 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 2025 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.