The 4-H Horse Advisory program would love to see your 4-H members or children involved in the Clackamas County Triple Crown Award program. This special recognition was envisioned by 4-H Horse Leaders who wished to see members recognized for going beyond the “norm” and immersing themselves in all that Clackamas County has to offer its Horse Members in order to enrich their project area. That might mean stepping out of their comfort zone and preparing a speech for public presentation…checking out video tapes from the Extension office to prepare themselves for judging a conformation or equitation class…thoroughly reading through their project manuals to absorb as much information as possible…or realizing a long-term goal, prepping them for college applications and scholarships, by focusing on accurate record keeping.

Qualifying for the Triple Crown Award is as simple as participating in two out of the four contests offered in our county and submitting member Record Books. The four separate contests that are available to Horse Project members include:

- Public Speaking and Presentations
- Horse Judging
- Hippology
- Horse Bowl

By participating in two out of these four contests, the member has completed the first two steps of qualifying for the Triple Crown award. Once the member’s Record Book has been submitted to the Extension office at the end of the 4-H year, the member will have completed the third qualification and will receive Triple Crown recognition. The medallions are presented by Horse Advisory during the annual 4-H Awards and Recognition Night held that November.

So help your 4-H members or children set some goals, have some fun and learn a little along the way, and strive to achieve the Triple Crown Award!

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