"I Did It Myself" Award

The 4-H Horse Advisory Committee will present an award to the 4-Hers receiving a blue ribbon in showmanship or ground training and a blue ribbon in State qualifying equitation (walk-trot does not qualify), Trail, Driving, Hunt Over Fences, or Dressage at County Fair. Both blue ribbons do not have to be won the same year. **However, the award must be applied for each year (even if not being shown).**

**AWARD GUIDELINES**

1. Horse must be under the age of 4 to apply for this award for the first time, but preferably the project horse was acquired as a foal. Horse or foal is **untrained**: never longed (refer to the 4-H Horse Project Manual for the definition of longeing), saddled, bridled, mounted, or shown, but the horse may have been halter broke and taught to stand quietly for normal health and maintenance (i.e. farrier, vet exams)

2. Horse is to be trained by 4-H member only.

3. This animal cannot be a joint project with another child (sisters or brother) or adult until after the award has been won or horse has been withdrawn from program.

4. If at any time the animal goes to another person, including a member, sibling, or parent, for training, the member must withdraw the animal from competition, but the member may ask for instructions whenever needed.

5. This award may be applied for and won as many times as the member wishes, on different horses.

6. A handwritten statement written by member about horse and rider is to accompany the application for this award.

7. **The member** must present the application for this award, the handwritten statement, and the horse project identification form on March 28, 2016. The member will be interviewed at that time. No applications and statements will be accepted after the due date.

8. This award must be applied for each year in order to be eligible, whether the horse is shown or not.

9. Declaration of this project horse must be made by the April deadline each year.

10. Previous owners of the project horse may be contacted to verify that none of the guidelines were violated before you started this project.

This award has been set up by the Clackamas County 4-H Horse Advisory for you, the member, to fulfill the true 4-H motto of "Make the Best Better". You are on your honor as a 4-H member to abide by the guidelines. We hope that this program will make your horse project more interesting, will help you learn more about horses, help you develop greater skills, ability, interest and willingness to work.
“I Did It Myself” Award Application
(This Award Must Be Applied For Each Year, Even If Not Showing This Year)

PART I:
_____ Attach your handwritten “I Did It Myself” story.
_____ Attach a copy of your 4-H Horse Project Identification form to this application.

PART II:

Member’s Name ___________________________________________ Phone # ____________________________

Club Name ___________________________________________ Level: Jr _____ Int _____ Sr ______

Leader’s Name ___________________________________________ Leader’s Phone # ______________________

Horse’s Name ______________________________________________________________________________

Owner of Horse ___________________________________________ (If leased, must attach a copy of lease)

Date Acquired ______________ Acquired From? ________________________ Phone # ________________

Was this horse trained prior to acquiring it? ____________________ If the answer is yes, you are not eligible.

Age of horse when project started _________________ If the horse was over 4 years old, you are not eligible.

Have you applied for this award before? _____________________ With this horse? _____________________

If so, what years? __________________________________________________________________________

What class(es) are you entering in with this horse this year? ______________________________________

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PART III:

I fully understand and agree to abide by the guidelines.

Signed: ___________________________________________________________________________________

4-H Member

Signed: ___________________________________________________________________________________

Parent

Signed: ___________________________________________________________________________________

4-H Leader

Applications must be turned in March 28, 2016.