



## Area A Horse Advisory Volunteer

**It's Your Turn! Become an  
Area A Horse Volunteer**



The **Area A Horse Volunteers** provide direction and leadership for 4-H Horse programs across the Florida Panhandle. The purpose of the committee is to make sure that 4-H horse events are educational in nature and adhere to the philosophies and goals of 4-H positive youth development. This committee has the authority and responsibility to manage the direction and resources of the Area A 4-H Horse Program. Examples of programs include schooling shows, showmanship and judging clinics, camps, and competitive shows.

### BE THE SPARK THAT INSPIRES THE NEXT GENERATION

#### 4-H IS LOOKING FOR PEOPLE LIKE YOU

We are looking for adults that have equine related skills and interests and who are willing to share their passion for horses with young people. We are planning now for the district level programs to help support youth enrolled in the 4-H horse project across the panhandle of Florida.

#### WHY SHOULD YOU BECOME AN AREA A VOLUNTEER?

Have a positive impact on the next generation of young people by sharing your experience and knowledge of horses. It is important for youth to engage in beyond club or county experiences to gain new horsemanship and life skills. Help fuel the extraordinary efforts of your youth by joining us as an Area A Horse Volunteer.

#### WHEN AND WHERE WILL THE COMMITTEE MEET?

Our advisory committee meets 3-4 times a year via conference call/video. Meetings start after 5PM Central Time or on the weekends to accommodate most work schedules. Subcommittees may meet between Advisory Committees depending on the availability of the volunteers that form that committee.

We would like to discuss opportunities for you to become an Area A Horse Volunteer. If you are interested, please contact your local University of Florida Extension Office, or visit our Area A website at: <http://nwdistrict.ifas.ufl.edu/district-4h/area-a-4-h-horse-show/>.



## AREA A HORSE VOLUNTEER ROLE DESCRIPTION

<b>YOU ARE NEEDED!</b>	Share your experience and knowledge to help plan and deliver district level opportunities for youth to enhance their horsemanship skills.
<b>YOU CAN HAVE A POSITIVE IMPACT ON YOUNG PEOPLE</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide hands on learning related to the 4-H Horse Project</li> <li>• Share your expertise with youth and other 4-H volunteers</li> <li>• Help youth learn sportsmanship and leadership skills</li> <li>• Provide opportunities for youth to demonstrate what they have learned beyond the club and county levels</li> <li>• Support horse club leaders as they work with youth in their local communities</li> </ul>
<b>YOUR TIME COMMITMENT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Participate in volunteer orientation</li> <li>• Actively participate in Area A Horse Committee meetings (3-4/year)</li> <li>• Serve as a liaison between the Area A Horse Committee and your county 4-H Horse Committee or 4-H Horse Leaders.</li> <li>• Devote 15-20 hours per year total</li> </ul>
<b>YOUR RESPONSIBILITY AS A 4-H VOLUNTEER</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Be a positive role model for youth and other volunteers</li> <li>• Work with the other committee members to provide quality events</li> <li>• Help identify any issues or potential problems and brainstorm to identify and select solutions</li> </ul>
<b>HOW TO GET STARTED</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Complete the volunteer application and screening forms</li> </ul>
<b>WE WILL HELP YOU HELP YOUTH</b>	<p>Extension staff will provide:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Committee meeting information and minutes in a timely manner</li> <li>• Tools for planning and conducting learning activities</li> <li>• Assistance planning learning activities</li> <li>• Assistance securing materials and facilities for learning activities</li> </ul>