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To: Cornell Cooperative Extension Educators
From: Robin Bartholomew, 4-H Horse Show Superintendent
Re: Important Information about 4-H Horse Show Area

As you all know the NYS Fair is fast approaching and I would like to pass along several points of interest that I hope will be shared with the exhibitors and parents/guardians. I have updated the Youth Horse Guide, the entry forms, and other forms which are posted on the website. Please encourage every exhibitor to check out the Youth Horse Guide as I have tried to include useful information about passes, check-in and departure procedures, rules to be followed and other items.

First - One of the biggest changes comes in the area of parking. The "Gray" lot will be only for exhibitors and fair personnel. Only RV permits will be allowed to have vehicles parked on the grounds around the stables. Any vehicles without the proper pass will be towed at owner's expense. **No Gray, Orange or NO Pass will be accepted.** Also, please advise people that the camping spots are marked with lines and any campers who do not comply with the rules may lose their spot.

Second - There is a fifteen-minute unloading and loading time limit. Again, please advise your exhibitors of this as each year we have a few who pull in and park which has caused congestion in the area.

Third - Rabies and Coggins. If we cannot read them we will ask to see the originals. State vets will be doing routine checks of the barns throughout the fair as well as the horse show management team.

Fourth - Bryan Nigro, will be our official 4-H Horse Show Photographer. Bryan has lots of experience in horse photography and providing photo services at equine events. He is creating economical and unique pricing and packages for our 4-H families. I am asking that everyone respect his role during the show. Parents/family members are welcome to take pictures, but in the last few years there has been an increased number of professional photographers invited to come and take pictures. This has caused confusion and undermined the role and effectiveness of our official show photographer.

Lastly - My goal is for the NYS 4-H Horse Show to be a positive experience for the exhibitors. I know that there are many distractions at the fair for the horses and riders, but if everyone can pitch in and help by following the guidelines set forth it would be greatly appreciated. If any of you or your exhibitors have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me at any time. I encourage input and feedback from the exhibitors, educators, parents, and volunteers so please share this with those coming to the fair. By working together everyone will achieve more and have fun!

Thanks in advance for your support.

Robin
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Guidelines for Substituting an Equine after Entry Forms Have Been Submitted

- Only when an emergency occurs should an equine be substituted for the original equine entered.
- Equine must be registered as a project horse (NYS Horse Certificate) with the county educator.
- A note from a veterinarian must be presented to the superintendent with reason(s) stating why the equine should not be shown.
- The equine needs to be the member's current 4-H project horse. The rider and horse combination need to be signed off by a county educator.
- A written note or personal contact from the educator should be sent to the superintendent.
- The equine must be shown in the same division as originally entered.
- All required health papers and a copy of the NYS Horse Certificate must be submitted to the superintendent