EQUINE
ANIMAL SCIENCE PROGRAM
CODE OF ETHICS

☐ *I believe that participation in the Washington Youth Animal Science Program should demonstrate my own knowledge, ability, and skill as a feeder and exhibitor of animal projects.*

☐ *I will do my own work to the full extent I am capable and otherwise will only accept advice and support from others.*

☐ *My equine project animal or animals will be under my daily care and management for 90 days prior to any premium qualifying event.*

☐ *I will not use or allow abusive, fraudulent, or illegal practices in the feeding, fitting and showing of my animal(s), or will I allow my parents, my supervisor, or any other individual to employ such practices with my animal(s).*

☐ *I will read, understand, and follow the rules without exception, of all animal science shows in which I am a participant and ask that my parents and the supervisor of my project do the same.*

☐ *I wish for my animal science project is to be an example of how to accept what life has to offer, both good and bad, and how to live with the outcome.*

☐ *I realize that I am responsible for:*
- *a) the proper care and safe humane treatment of my animals,*
- *b) the production of a high quality, safe and wholesome food if my project is market,*
- *c) demonstrating strong moral character as an example to others.*

☐ *I consent to having my animal(s) subjected to drug testing.*

☐ *I understand that the premise of the 4-H equine project is that I, as a 4-H member, am learning to train and care for my horse. In keeping with that premise, if professional assistance with training my horse is required, it will be on a temporary, short-term basis and my horse will be completely under my care and training prior to a qualifying event.*

☐ *I understand that no one is allowed to coach contestants during classes. Anyone doing so will be asked to leave the show by show management.*

NOTE: *This document is required to be on file with your horse certificate at the WSU Extension office and included with your horse certificate in your record book.*
No Exceptions!!

Exhibitor	*Parent*	*Leader*	*Date*
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