

Macomb County 4-H Horse Program Light Horses

The Equitation Rider Challenge Trophy

This Award is being donated by Gabrielle Oddo of GO Performance Horses in recognition of the rider that has competed in Saddle Seat equitation, Hunt Seat equitation and Western Horsemanship earning the most points out of every rider. The definition of Equitation and Horsemanship is simply so, the art or practice of horse riding. More specifically it refers to the rider's position while mounted, and a rider's ability to ride correctly with minimal and effective aids. This award will be given yearly in honor of these riders that show hard work and dedication to this sport we all so greatly love and to show what can be done with practice and patience when trying to compete in every division, also while showing how versatile each horse and rider can truly become.

Criteria for Award: Riders must compete in all three at all 4 shows.

Must compete in the following classes based off of age

Saddleseat Equitation 8-19

Hunt Seat Equitation 17-19

Hunt Seat Equitation 15-16

Hunt Seat Equitation 13-14

Hunt Seat Equitation 8-12

Western Horsemanship 17-19

Western Horsemanship 15-16

Western Horsemanship 13-14

Western Horsemanship 8-12

The rider with the most points in all age divisions will have the honor of receiving the year end award. The deciding factor will be the Saddleseat class which includes all ages.

In the 2023 season the awards given away will be the challenge trophy will be given for one year and brought back the following awards banquet and an award belt buckle that the winner can keep permanently in honor to show their accomplishment.

