

Sample Equine Evaluation

Note to Agents – This is a sample evaluation that you can adapt to meet your county and programs. It is also available on Qualtric to edit, distribute to clients, analysis, and share with specialists electronically. The items on the evaluation align with KERS program indicators and the sample success story that is available.

The _____ County Extension Service takes pride in providing programs and resources to benefit the equine and agriculture operations. In order to serve you, our staff would appreciate you taking a few minutes to complete this survey.

How did you access Extension information related to horses over the past 12 months? *Select all that apply.*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Program/Meeting | <input type="checkbox"/> Phone call, email or office visit |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter | <input type="checkbox"/> Website |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Farm visit | <input type="checkbox"/> Social media |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Field day | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

Describe your equine operation. *Select all that apply.*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Pleasure | <input type="checkbox"/> Show |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Recreational/ Trail riding | <input type="checkbox"/> Breeding |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Training | <input type="checkbox"/> Race |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Boarding | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

Which Extension diagnostic services did you utilize related to your equine operation? *Select all that apply.*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Soil test | <input type="checkbox"/> Pest or insect identification |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hay test | <input type="checkbox"/> Plant disease |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Plant/Weed identification | <input type="checkbox"/> Animal disease |

Did the diagnostic information influence the decisions that you made in treating soil, weeds, or invasive species?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
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Did Extension diagnostic information influence the decisions that you made in animal health or nutrition?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
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As a result of gaining information from Extension, have you adopted or improved any of the following areas of your equine operation?

Equine	Yes	No
Adopted best practices to improve or maintain animal nutrition by selecting feed based on ingredients, using body conditioning scores, use a complete mineral supplement, use hay test analysis and/or calculating supplemental nutrition for the life cycle)		
Demonstrates good animal health practices (i.e. track drug use, chemicals, feed additives and movement, change vaccination and/or antibiotic protocols as appropriate, deworming strategy, treat disorders properly)		
Other:		

Comment:

In the past 12 months, did Extension influence your practices related to forage?

Forage	Yes	No
Used recommendations to improve quality of haylage storage		
Developed or implemented a grazing plan		
Use temporary fencing		
Conducted on-farm demonstrations or applied research trials		
Other		

Comment:

In the past 12 months, which water quality and soil conservation practices did you use?

Water Quality and Soil Conservation	Yes	No
Implemented one or more best practices for soil/water quality		
Developed or updated an Ag Water Quality Plan		
Developed or implemented nutrient management plan		
Adjusted rate, timing, placement and/or sources to increase nutrient use efficiency		
Implemented one or more best practices to increase ground cover for soil protection		
Implemented one or more best practices for improving water quality		
Implemented one or more best practices to protect stream banks or stream buffer zones		
Other		

Comment:

In the 12 months, did you adopt or improve business management practices?

Farm Management and Economics	Yes	No
Improved or maintained record keeping practices		
Incorporated technology to effectively manage farm operations		
Adopted new technologies in agriculture production		

Adapt practices or equipment for safety		
Improved equipment or facilities		
Increased profits, reduced expenses and/or reduced risk		
Other		

Comment:

How have you served as a leader during the past 12 months?

<i>Ag Extension Leadership</i>	Yes	No
Shared information about agriculture or the environment issues locally		
Advocated for agriculture and/or environmental issues locally		
Shared information about agriculture and/or environment issues with elected officials		
Advised, assisted or mentored a new or beginning agriculture producer		
Served on an advisory council, community development committee or leadership role with an agriculture organization		
Other		

Comment:

Share your thoughts and suggestions to improve future programs and services.