

The Marion County 4-H Horse Project and Judging Team recently competed at Regional Hippology. Hippology is a contest designed to enhance learning for 4-H members by letting them exhibit their knowledge and understanding of equine science and husbandry in a competitive setting. The term "Hippology" comes from the Greek "hippo", meaning horse, and "ology", meaning "the study of". Participants are asked to demonstrate their experience and knowledge gained in horse judging, quiz bowl, speeches, and practical horse management. Phases of the contest include a written exam, identification of items shown on slides, placing and/or ID of feedstuffs or feed tags, judging, ID stations, and a team quiz bowl. Marion County's team placed 9th overall in the region. Team members pictured are Tanner Colvin, Madison Gamble, Tessa Green, Brydon Mabry and Maddie Ashburn. These students represent several schools and homeschools within our county!

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