



Letters of Recommendation: Applicants must submit three (3) letters of recommendation attesting to their qualifications in equine riding skills and abilities to assess competency through the levels program.

- Letter #1: Local CSU Extension County Specialist (Required)

Name of staff you have contacted: _____

- Letter #2: Name: _____

Relationship: _____

- Letter #3: Name: _____

Relationship: _____

Certification Requirements: To complete the certification process, applicants must agree to fulfill the following requirements:

1. Become and maintain enrollment as a Colorado 4-H Volunteer Leader annually
2. Complete an online module training for the Colorado 4-H Youth Development program on positive youth development in the Rater training program.
3. Attend and complete the online/classroom overview of the Colorado 4-H Horse Levels Program (Session 1 - typically held on Friday night of in-person training).

Do you agree to complete the above certification requirements?

(Check one)

Yes, I agree to fulfill all certification requirements.

No, I do not agree.

Acknowledgment and Signature: I, _____, certify that the information provided in this application is accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that providing false information may result in disqualification from the certification process. I also agree to uphold the standards and guidelines set forth by the Colorado 4-H Horse Advancement Levels Program as well as the Colorado 4-H Youth Development Program.

Hold Harmless- CSU:

I, the undersigned participant, exercising my own free choice to participate voluntarily in the activities described above, and promising to take due care during such participation, hereby



acknowledge that I have been informed of the nature of the activities and that I am aware of the hazards and risks which may be associated with my participation in the abovenamed activities, including the risks of bodily injury, death or damage to property which may occur from known or unknown causes. I understand, accept, and assume all such hazards and risks, and, along with my successors, estate, and assigns, forever waive all claims against the State of Colorado, The Board of Governors of the Colorado State University System, and Colorado State University, its employees, agents, volunteers, and other persons as set forth above. I understand that I am solely responsible for any costs arising out of any bodily injury or property damage that I may sustain through my participation in normal or unusual acts associated with the above-named activities, regardless of whose fault may be the cause of my injuries or damages, EVEN IF CAUSED BY CARELESSNESS OR NEGLIGENCE, so long as the conduct which caused the injuries or damages was not grossly negligent, or willful and wanton. Further, I hereby indemnify and hold harmless The Board of Governors of the Colorado State University System and Colorado State University, and their members, officers, agents, employees, and any other persons or entities acting on their behalf, and the successors and assigns for any and all of the aforementioned persons and entities, against any and all claims, demands, and causes of action whatsoever, whether presently known or unknown, of any person who suffers any injury, disability, death or other harm, to person or property or both, as a result of my participation in and/or presence at the above listed activities. I have had sufficient time to review and seek explanation of the provisions contained above, have carefully read them, understand them fully, and agree to be bound by them. After careful deliberation, I voluntarily give my consent and agree to this Release from Responsibility, Assumption of Risk, and Waiver. I HAVE READ, UNDERSTOOD AND AGREED TO THE ABOVE TERMS

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Submission Instructions: Please submit this completed application along with the required letters of recommendation to the State 4-H Horse Advisory Committee (HAC). Applications should be emailed to:

Colorado State 4-H Horse Advisory Committee

Levels Committee Chair – Mercedes Glenn Mercedes.Glenn@colostate.edu

For any questions, please contact the Colorado 4-H Horse Advancement Levels Program chair at

Mercedes Glenn Mercedes.Glenn@colostate.edu or 720-733-6940