

# Washington County 4-H Master Showmanship Horse Fact Sheet

## Common Breeds of Horses

- > **Light Horses**- American Saddlebred, Arabian, Morgan, American Quarter Horse, Foundation Quarter Horse, American Paint Horse, Tennessee Walking Horse, Thoroughbred, Standardbred.
- > **Draft Horses**- Belgian, Clydesdale, Percheron, Shire, Suffolk.
- > **Color Breeds**- Appaloosa, Pinto, Palamino, Buckskin.
- > **Ponies**- Pony of the Americas, Shetland, Welsh.
- > **Warmbloods**- Trakehner, Hanoverian, Holsteiner, Oldenburg.

## Terms

- ◆ Foal-----An unweaned horse.
- ◆ Filly-----A female horse under the age of 3 years.
- ◆ Colt-----A young male horse.
- ◆ Mare-----A mature female, 3 years or older.
- ◆ Stallion-----A male horse able to sire a foal.
- ◆ Gelding-----A male horse that has been castrated.

## Information

- > Horses use both monocular (allows them to see to the side) and binocular (forward) vision.
- > Normal body temperature is 99 to 101 degrees F.
- > Normal Pulse is 32-48 beats per minute.
- > Gestation Period- 11 months
- > Water needs- 10-12 gallons per day.
- > Feed- 2% of their body weight per day.
- > Horse digestive system- A non-ruminant herbivore or a hindgut fermenter.