The Maryland 4-H Horsemanship Standards are designed to help 4-H members progressively develop knowledge of horse care, horse management, and horsemanship skills. UME volunteers may become Examiners for the Horsemanship Standards Program.

The objective of the Maryland 4-H Horsemanship Standards Examiner Testing is to approve examiners in any of the Level 4-6 Horsemanship Standards tracks, including Knowledge, English Riding, English Jumping, and Western Riding. Examiners may choose to be tested for any and/or all tracks.

To become an approved Maryland 4-H Horsemanship Standards Examiner for Levels 4-6, Examiners will be evaluated by a panel of three individuals using set evaluation criteria for that specific level. Examiners must have completed Knowledge and Riding Levels of the previous level in order to be eligible to participate in this testing. Enrollment may be limited on a first come first serve and may be dependent on the amount of riders/youth available. Evaluation criteria will be posted on the Maryland 4-H Horsemanship Standards website.

Dates and evaluation criteria for each level can be viewed at: http://extension.umd.edu/4-h/4-h-program-areas/4-h-horse-program.