

# Adapting Forages for Horses for the Modern Classroom

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# of Participants

The 2022 Ohio Forages for Horses curriculum was updated and adapted for a hybrid classroom setting that consisted of a revised manual, three live webinars, in-person pasture walks and modules corresponding to manual chapters with additional videos, resources and quizzes built in. The goal of the course was to continue to deliver equine management education available to horse owners in Ohio and improve the curriculum used in the past.

## Registration & Participation

#### **OUT-OF-STATE - 5%** Course Design Learning Management Forages 95% of 40 System (LMS): for Horses scarlet participants registered for **CANVAS** from 21 course modules counties across Ohio as of June **Live Webinars:** 2022 Hay Analysis, Feeding Different Classes of Horses Access Modules **OHIO - 95%** Equine Nutrition & Parasites Pasture Management, Soil 15% purchased hard copy Fertility of the Forages for Horses Average USDA United States Department of Agriculture Manual Time Spent As part of the course fee, students would be able on Course 85% opted for USB to attend one of the equine-focused pasture walks **Modules:** containing the Forages for offered across the state 6.8 Hours **Horses Manual Revised Manual** Participants who **Chapters &** CFAES worked their way Forages for Horses through the course **Affiliated Online** Webinar Attendance modules received a Modules certificate of Course Objectives: Forages for Horses is an educational course designed to connect Ohio horse owners with science-based information completion. connect Onio norse owners with science-pased information on how to provide and maintain healthy and sustainable forage systems to the animals in their care. Horse Nutrition Soils & Forage Fertility Forages for Horses is a combined effort of Plant Growth & Physiology Species Selection & THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY FORAGES FOR HORSES Establishment COLLEGE OF FOOD, AGRICULTURAL, CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION Pasture Management Mud & Manure Management PRESENTED BY OFCG PRESIDEN Control of Equine Parasites Webinar 1 Webinar 3 Webinar 2 Hay Quality & Storage Course endorsed and taught by the following partners: Average % of webinar watched, including questions



### Lessons Learned

- Module content provided opportunities to cover material not typically covered in past Forages for Horses sessions.
- Majority of students spent a considerable amount of time exploring additional module content outside of the live webinar sessions.
- Participants remained engaged in the webinars and a vast majority stayed online for the full session.
- A virtual social hour was offered after the live webinars concluded as a chance to network with speakers and other producers.

### Moving Forward

- Full course evaluation in progress.
- Continue to offer the online course statewide possibly every year or every two years.
- Potential to adapt into a hybrid curriculum for county Educators to use in local programming.



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