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Pony Club Mission Statement

The United States Pony Clubs, Inc. is an educational organization which builds the foundations of teamwork and sportsmanship through riding, mounted sports, and care of horses and ponies, while developing and enhancing leadership, confidence, responsibility, and a sense of community in its youth and adult members.

Pony Club Core Values

Horsemanship with respect to healthcare, nutrition, stable management, handling and riding a mount safely, correctly, and with confidence.

Organized teamwork including cooperation, communication, responsibility, leadership, mentoring, teaching, and fostering a supportive yet competitive environment.

Respect for the horse and self through horsemanship; for land through land conservation; and for others through service and teamwork.

Service by providing an opportunity for members, parents, and others to support the Pony Club program locally, regionally, and nationally through volunteerism.

Education at an individual pace to achieve personal goals and expand knowledge through teaching others.

The Pony Club Pledge

"As a member of the United States Pony Clubs, I stand for the best in sportsmanship, as well as in horsemanship.

I shall compete for the enjoyment of the game well played and take winning or losing in stride, remembering that without good manners and good temper, sport loses its cause for being.

I shall endeavor to maintain the best tradition of the ancient and noble skill of horsemanship, always treating my horse with consideration due a partner."



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This report covers the fiscal year ending December 31, 2021. In some instances, to maintain continuity, events beyond the fiscal year have been included.

Dear Pony Club Supporters:

As I step into my new role as President, I am amazed by the generosity of you, our loyal supporters. Expanding our programs to people and places that may or may not know who we are, but who will benefit from all that Pony Club is and what it teaches is possible, because of your support.

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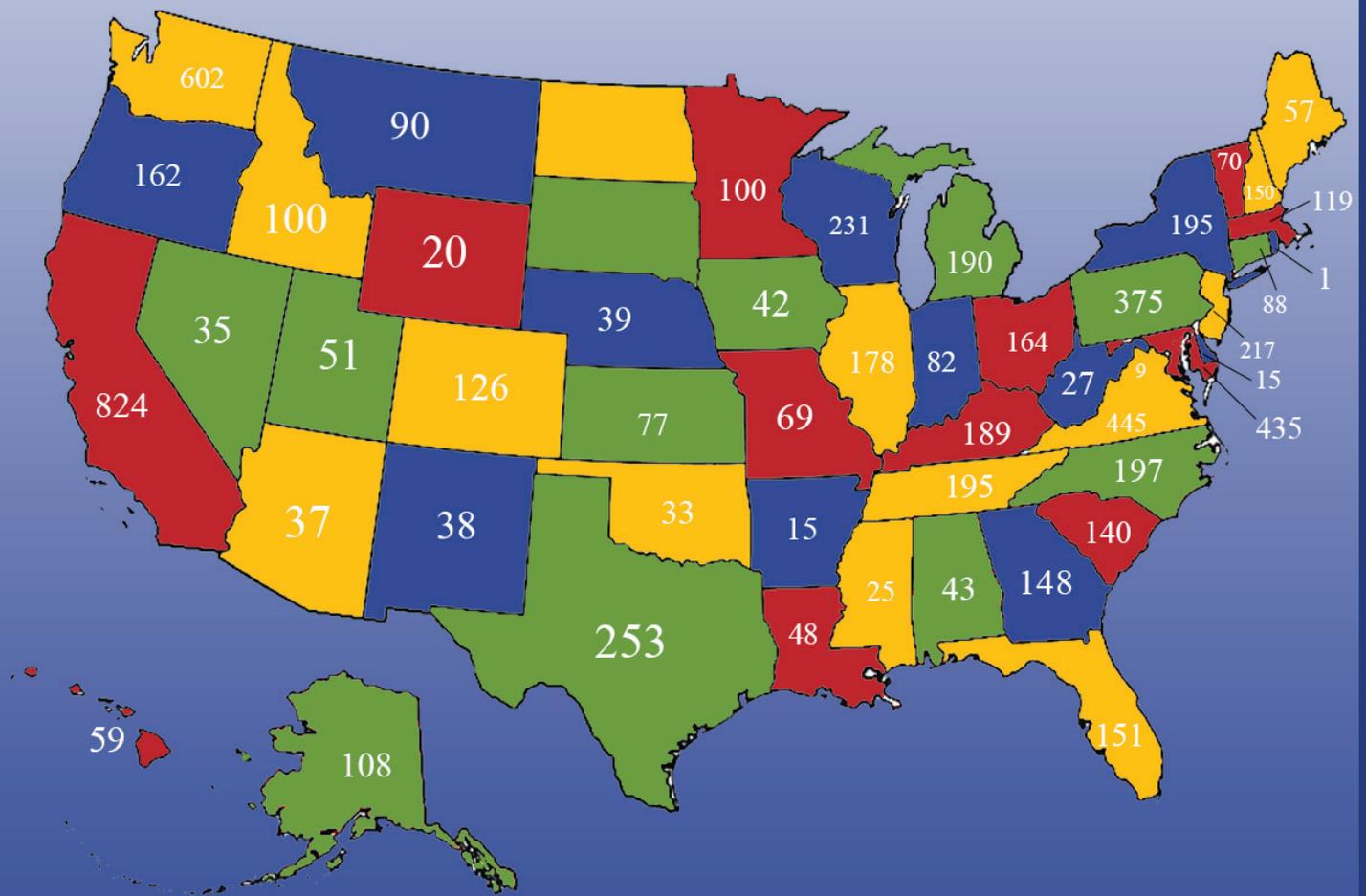
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The United States Pony Clubs, Inc. is a non-profit equestrian educational organization which serves all ages of membership and allows Pony Club education to continue for a lifetime. The foundation of Pony Club education, both in and out of the barn, is safety, horsemanship, sportsmanship, leadership, stewardship and fun. Members learn riding and mounted sports, and the care of horses. The skills and values instilled through Pony Club teamwork and horsemanship apply to every aspect of life. Pony Club is supported by the efforts of dedicated volunteers, donors, friends, and sponsors.

The USPC Audited Financials are available for viewing [here](#).

Members by State



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**Member Statistics as of 12/31/21*

WHAT YOU HELPED US ACCOMPLISH IN 2021

USPC membership grew by 9% through clubs, centers and national members.

7 new Pony Clubs and 12 new Riding Centers were formed in 2021.

132 National Certifications were awarded.

3 outstanding Pony Club alumni were inducted into the Academy of Achievement.

548 members and volunteers attended the 2021 USPC Virtual Equine Symposium & Convention in January.

659 competitors attended Championships at the 2021 USPC Festival at the Kentucky Horse Park in July.

403 members participated in educational workshops and mounted clinics at 2021 USPC Festival.

More than \$369,014 was raised for educational programs and activities.

6 college scholarships were awarded to outstanding Pony Club members in 2021.

4 clubs were honored for their dedication and longevity, with 2 receiving the 25-Year Milestone Award and 2 receiving the 50-Year Milestone Award.

\$10,000 was awarded to 12 Pony Clubs through the Live Oak Hounds Foxhunting Challenge.

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The following memorial gifts have been made since January 1, 2021 to honor Pony Club friends, family, and equine partners. Visit the [USPC Obituary page](#) to read about some of these remarkable Pony Club friends.

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Designated Giving and Special Programs



2021 USPC Virtual Equine Symposium and Convention

The 2021 USPC Virtual Equine Symposium and Convention was held January 27-30. It was a great success with 548 attendees who participated virtually.

Thank you to the generous sponsors who helped USPC provide an educational and informative weekend for members and volunteers with workshops, leadership training, a virtual trade fair, award presentations, and volunteer recognition.



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The USPC National Youth Congress and Academy of Achievement

Held virtually during the USPC Equine Symposium and Convention, 14 youth delegates participated, and three outstanding Pony Club alumni were inducted into the Academy of Achievement:

Congratulations to **Royce Evans-Mason**, **Emily Harvey**, and **Sara Lieser** who were inducted into the Academy of Achievement, joining more than 100 other outstanding Pony Club Graduates. You can read about all of the Academy of Achievement inductees [here](#). Thank you to those who made this program a success:

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2021 USPC Festival

The United States Pony Clubs was pleased to welcome close to 3,000 Pony Club members, plus their families, friends, volunteers, and Pony Club leaders from across the country to enjoy Championships competition, learning, and fun, July 19-26, at the 2021 USPC Festival Presented by SSG Riding Gloves, Sponsored by State Line Tack. Being able to gather together in person for the 2021 event was even more special after facing the challenges of 2020.

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The Mattingley Leadership Training Fund provides leadership training opportunities for Pony Club volunteers.

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The Pony Club Headquarters Fund is used to maintain the buildings and property owned by USPC, and the purchase of a Brick(s) in the USPC Walk of Fame supports this fund.

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USPC Heritage Society

Thank you to the many loyal Pony Club friends who have expressed their commitment to the organization through a planned gift. This lasting tribute will guarantee opportunities for future generations of Pony Club members.

Heritage Society Members

The USPC Heritage Society recognizes individuals who have included Pony Club in their estate plans. If you have made provisions for Pony Club in your estate plans and would like your name added to the list of Heritage Society members, please contact the Development office at development@ponyclub.org.

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