

## National Museum of Racing and Hall of Fame

## Third Grade Lesson 3LS4-2, 3LS2-1

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Science
- Hereditary/Inherited Traits Lesson
  - In Class Activity:
  - Break students into groups to observe and record on the Inherited Traits Chart the following traits: earlobes (attached/detached), eye color, hair color and tongue rolling.
  - In Class Discussion:
  - These features come from your parents. Animals also have features that come from their parents.
  - With Color & Markings handout discuss how types of traits/features appear in Thoroughbred horses as well.
  - o Video available on foalpatrol.com: Color Change
    - Learn the colors of horses and the types of marking that appear on their faces.
  - In Class Activity:
    - Identify horses based on their color
    - Discuss likeness to hair color in children and their parents
  - Activities following Punnett square lessons
    - Explore the activity sheets regarding coat color in horses and eye color in humans.
    - Opportunity to further discuss genetics and how certain traits are biological.