

# **Horseman Code of Conduct 2022**

Check each box after having carefully read and understood each code.

The Riding School is an educational facility that teaches how to properly care for a horse and ride a horse. The Horseman Code of Conduct ensures safety and respect for our instructor, horses, students, and facilities.

#### The Horse & Safety Always Comes First.

The Riding School gives all students the tools and wisdom to create an environment that is safe, healthy, and fun for horses. Our philosophy of coaching ensures the health, longevity, and quality of life for our horses. Horses are not playthings, but intelligent friends with their own life experience. Ensure your conduct always puts the horse first.

#### Come With An Open Mind.

Check your ego at the gate and be ready to follow the rules of The Riding School. Be ready to learn something new and conduct yourself with respect for animals and humans.

#### Take Initiative & Participate In Your Learning Experience.

The Riding School is a hands-on learning environment. Show us what you know and what you've learned. Look around you and look for opportunities to care for your horse, the stable, and help Ms. Beth, other students, and yourself.

# If you're unsure - ask!

There are no stupid questions. Always ask questions first. Ask safety questions.

# Always be aware of your surroundings.

Horses are prey animals. This means they are always aware of their surroundings and rely on YOU to keep them safe from harm. Pay attention to activities and conditions around you. Notice when conditions are not safe and help create a safe environment by following the rules.

# Always ask before feeding the horses.

All horses have special needs and diet, do not feed any food without express permission from Ms. Beth.

## Keep feet on the ground at all times.

Horses are prey animals, startle easily, and run from threats. No running, jumping, arm waving, climbing, screaming.

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#### Ask before entering horse corrals.

No one may enter the horse corrals without express permission from Ms. Beth. This is for human and horse safety.

### Speak with a calm confident voice.

Horses have sensitive hearing. Loud noises, screaming, squealing frighten horses.

## Look for ways to help. Always ask first.

**Do approved stable management tasks:** raking, extra grooming, oiling tack, helping other students, picking up trash, sweep. Advanced students can learn other skills such as clipping,

#### Wear appropriate clothes and shoes.

Students must wear riding pants or jeans. No leggings. Riding pants must cover ankles. No shorts permitted. Boots must cover ankles

#### Take care of and clean equipment.

Treat all equipment as if it's your own. Hundreds of students are using the equestrian equipment, think of other students that come after you and keep them clean.

#### No Gum.

Pick up all trash, wrappers, and place them in proper receptacles.

# Be Open To Learn New Horseman Tasks & Techniques.

Be open to learning how to do things in a new way. Ask for advanced learning opportunities, projects, and tasks.

#### **Practice Your Skills.**

Take the time to do it right, so that it takes no time at all. Be prepared to practice your tacking skills, grooming skills, and help other students.

# **Phone/Electronic Device Policy**

Please keep electronic devices at the front table or locked with valuables during lesson/instruction time/while in the ring/on a horse.

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# The Riding School Horsemanship Camp Skills

During camp, kids will learn and independently perform the following skills each day.

→ Mucking horse stalls

→ Feeding Horses

→ Groundwork inside the ring

→ In saddle riding

→ Retrieving riding gear and tack	→ Moving horse back to cross ties
→ Moving a horse to the cross ties	→ Untacking and grooming horse
<ul> <li>→ Grooming the horse</li> <li>→ Tacking the horse</li> <li>→ Walking the horse to the ring</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>→ Cleaning tack, saddle, and mucking cross ties</li> <li>→ Moving horse back into stall</li> </ul>
	→ Putting on any blankets and covers
☐ Campers must be able to listen, understand, follouindependently.	w instructions and perform these tasks in a timely manner
☐ Campers will be given rest/snack breaks and are e	expected to eat and drink when they need to.
☐ Camp occasionally runs past 2PM; please be patie	ent as your camper(s) finish their riding and tasks.
☐ Please keep electronic devices on the front table of	or locked safely with your valuables during lesson time.
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