

After School Program

Dress for the Weather

We will be outdoors in the elements so bring what you need to stay warm and comfortable in the evenings. Come with extras such as gloves, sweaters, jackets, and rain boots. When required, we are able to utilize the number of buildings at our facility for teaching our horsemanship curriculum indoors.

What to Bring:

Snacks & Drinks - we will be breaking in-between activities so bring snacks and plenty to drink to refuel and stay hydrated.

- ✓ A cooler bag to store your snacks and lots of liquids.
- ✓ Re-usable water bottle
- ✓ Change of clothes & hat
- ✓ Insect repellent/sun screen
- ✓ Closed toed shoes and long pants for riding

What Not to Bring:

- ✗ Cell Phones or tablets
- ✗ Handheld gaming systems / electronics
- ✗ Valuable Items

Lesson Policy Standard:

- The term “Lesson” herein shall refer to handling, ground work, tack adjustments, riding and/or driving a horse or pony for the purpose of education.
- The riding instructor has the responsibility of safety for riders, volunteers, and horses at all times and therefore has the right to adjust lesson outlines when safety is a concern. (Example: the

Lost & Found:

Please label all your child’s belongings with their name including all bags, clothing, sweatshirts, hats, helmet, etc. We highly recommend that you do not pack expensive items or clothing for the barn. Sarah Parks Horsemanship assumes no responsibility for wear and tear, damage to, or loss of clothing, equipment or belongings for any reason.

Medical Policy:

In case of an emergency, injury or sickness that demands medical attention or hinders the rider’s ability to participate in class, the parent will be notified. A full program refund due to sickness will be granted only upon receiving a note from your family physician stating the necessity to do so. **ALL MEDICATIONS** are to be given to the Riding Coordinator upon arrival. Upon registration, a note of explanation is needed for any medication, allergies, emotional, mental and behavioral needs a participant may have. This must be submitted with your child’s application form.

Food Allergy Policy:

Our desire is to create a safe environment for our young people; however we are not a peanut free facility. Please ensure that your child can self-manage their condition

lesson could also include barn management, types of tack, cleaning tack, parts of the horse, and other educative activities).

- The riding instructor reserves the right to withdraw a student for safety or behavioral reasons with no refund.
- I understand that it is my responsibility to inform the riding instructor immediately of any new medical or physical problems which may impact my safety or ability to perform correctly during my scheduled riding lesson.
- All parents, family members and guests must stay outside of the arena/corral at all times.
- Pets are not allowed at the ranch with the exception of Service Dogs.
- No hand feeding of treats. Students are welcome to bring a treat for their horse or pony (ex. apple, carrot), however we ask that you feed the treat from a bucket following your lesson.
- **Riding Attire:**
 - Boots or shoes with a heel are recommended. Rain boots or runners are acceptable, however if they lack a proper walking heel, for safety purposes, riders will not be allowed to canter or jump.
 - Absolutely no open-toed shoes are to be worn at any time.
 - Long pants or sweat pants are acceptable to wear but we do not advise wearing nylon or slippery pants. Riding in shorts is not permitted.
 - Riding helmets can be supplied; however, riders may also bring their own ASTM approved equestrian helmet.
- **Late Arrivals:**
 - Lesson times are planned and it is very important that students arrive on time.
 - Students arriving late may not be permitted to ride as it may be too disruptive to the class and may not allow for adequate warm up time. Discretion for inclusion of a late student is left with the individual riding instructor, unless prior arrangements have been made.
 - Students who are late and unable to participate on horseback are encouraged to stay and watch and learn. No makeup will be given.
 - Understand that a late arrival does not change the lesson end time and it will remain the same as scheduled.
 - *Note: If you have concerns about being able to arrive on time for program, please discuss them with our Program Coordinator ahead of time & we will do our best to accommodate*

your situation.

Lesson Billing:

- Students will not be allowed to ride without payment in advance
- Cancellations with less than 24-hour notice will be charged the full lesson fee with no refund given with the exception that the coordinator cancels a lesson due to inclement weather.
- Payment can be made by cash or cheque, or by E transfer to info@sarahparkshorsemanship at least 24hrs prior to the beginning of the program.

Riding Lesson Cancellation and Makeup Policy:

- ****Cancelation Policy****
- **If your child cannot attend any of the 9 after school sessions, these date(s) must be emailed to Julianna - riding@sarahparkshorsemanship.com - before your child's start date. Make-up classes will be 3 hours in length and are scheduled as needed by the program director.**
- **Should the director need to cancel a session, your child will be invited for a make-up class.**
- **Any unplanned missed lessons will not be eligible as make-ups or credits. If your child cannot attend due to illness or an emergency situation, please notify Julianna as soon as possible.**

Equipment:

- We supply the helmets necessary for riding however for those interested in boots and other equestrian supplies we recommend the following stores:
- Greenhawk: <https://www.facebook.com/GreenhawkEssexCounty>

If you have any further questions, please contact our Horsemanship Coordinator & Instructor, Julianna Segatto at 519-904-3999 or riding@sarahparkshorsemanship.com