

# **Trot N Tots (Ages 3-6 yrs)**

## **Beginner Horsemanship Program**

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### **Parents / Guardians:**

- *One parent or guardian must accompany the child participant during the program.*
- *Any other siblings MUST be directly supervised by an additional parent or adult during the program.*
- *We encourage your participation in the class with your child so please come prepared to be working with the ponies and for walking in the sandy riding area.*

- × *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. No shorts for riding.*

### **Snacks & Drinks:**

*We will be breaking in between activities. Parents are welcome to bring a snack of their choice if they wish. Please bring plenty to drink to refuel and stay hydrated. A re-usable water bottle is recommended*

### **Dress for the Weather**

We recommend dressing in layers to be prepared for temperature changes. We will be outdoors in the elements so bring what you need to stay warm and comfortable during our morning classes including:

- ✓ Extras such as gloves, sweaters, jackets, and rain boots.
- ✓ Change of clothes & hat
- ✓ Insect repellent/sun screen

### **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.*

### **Footwear & Clothing:**

- ✓ Boots or shoes with a heel are recommended. Rain boots or runners are acceptable.
- ✓ We will supply riding helmets. (Riders can bring their own if they have them.)

### **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.

If you have any further questions, please contact our Children's Program's & Events Coordinator, Penny Stein at 519-324-7986 or [info@sarahparkshorsemanship.com](mailto:info@sarahparkshorsemanship.com)

# Program Policies

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- One parent or guardian must accompany the child participant during the program.
- Additional 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. Participants who wish to bring a treat for their horse or pony (ex. apple, carrot), will be provided a bucket from which the treat will be fed at the end of class.
- Children must be supervised at all times. Entry into pens or corrals and any feeding of the animals is prohibited.

## Late Arrivals:

- Program times are planned and it is very important that participants arrive on time.
- Participants arriving late may not be permitted to ride as it may be too disruptive to the class and may not allow for adequate preparation. Discretion for inclusion of a late student is left with the individual riding instructor, unless prior arrangements have been made.
- Participants who are late and unable to participate on horseback are encouraged to stay and participate in the rest of the class activities. No makeup will be given.
- Understand that a late arrival does not change the program 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.*

## Riding Lesson Cancellation and Makeup Policy:

- All approved makeup lessons and refunds will be at the discretion of the Coordinator and Owner.
- At least twenty four (24) hour notice must be given when cancelling a lesson in order to be eligible for a makeup lesson unless approved by the Coordinator or Owner.
- No refunds will be given for missed lessons or pre-booked camps or packages unless approved by the Coordinator or Owner.

## 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>

Trainer's Choice: <https://www.facebook.com/TCESWindsor>