



IEA INFORMATION

- Open to all riders entering 4th grade – 12th grade.
- Riders may be from other barns or programs.
- Riders can be beginners to advanced.
- Anderwood will have a Hunt Seat team this season. Riders will do equitation on the flat and/or over fences.
- Coaches will determine riders' class/division based on previous riding and show experience.

TEAM/POINT INFORMATION

- Anderwood will have both a Middle School Team (4th – 8th grade) and a High School Team (9th - 12th).
- Individual riders receive points based on placing in classes:
 - 1st Place - 7 Points
 - 2nd Place - 5 Points
 - 3rd Place - 4 Points
 - 4th Place - 3 Points
 - 5th Place - 2 Points
 - 6th Place - 1 Point
- Teams receive points based on placing of coach designated "point" riders and overall placement in shows.
- Riders and Teams that accrue a designated number of points may advance to Regional, Zone and even National Competitions.

SHOW INFORMATION

- Riders must compete in at least 3 but no more than 5 regular season IEA shows.
- Formal hunt seat attire is required for shows (jacket, white show shirt, black gloves, black tall boots, black show helmet, tan knee patch breeches (no tights, no silicone seats or knees). Riders under 12 can wear jodhpurs with braids and bows.
- Riders 12 and over must wear hair up in helmet with hairnet.
- We will try to find shows that are relatively local (Chicopee Woods Agricultural Center) but some shows may be out of town.
- IEA show format is different than other local shows. Riders will not be riding their own horse. Horses are drawn at random and assigned to riders for each class.
- Horses are vetted by a steward during warm-up to ensure safe and capable to perform in each class.
- Flat classes will be in groups and all tests are done at the same time (no one at a time tests).
- Riders will compete in one or two classes depending on their designated classes.
- Shows usually begin around 9AM and end around 4PM but may be shorter or longer depending on the number of participants.

- Shows are held on Saturdays and Sundays during the months of September – January.
- Post season competitions begin in February.
- Coaches will notify team members of show options.
- Individual show fees will range from \$100 - \$200 per show depending on the classes riders are participating in. Fees include trainer fee, hauling, administrative fees and class fees.

RIDER REQUIREMENTS

- Must be entering 4th – 12th grade.
- Must be receiving at least one lesson per week from a professional trainer.
- Must participate in at least one IEA group lesson per month at Anderwood Equestrian Center.
- Must have a positive attitude, willingness to learn and exceptional sportsmanship.
- Riders must treat horses with respect and use appropriate correction techniques.
- Riders who are unable to represent the team in a positive manner and/or fail to demonstrate good sportsmanship and horsemanship will be removed from the team.

PARENT/GUARDIAN REQUIREMENTS

- Parents must be respectful of coaches, riders and IEA judges, stewards and other show members.
- All concerns about placement, horse selection or other issues must be addressed with coach. The coach is the only person able to address concerns directly to show officials.
- Parents must not use profanity, make derogatory comments or act in a manner that reflects negatively on the Anderwood Equestrian team while assisting or spectating at IEA shows or practices.
- Failure to comply with these requirements may result in rider being dismissed from the team.

IEA TO-DO LIST

- Complete Youth Rider Membership application at www.rideiea.org/forms/membership. Enter team name: Anderwood Equestrian. Please complete this as soon as possible. There is a \$70 membership fee.
- Pay \$125 IEA Dues no later than July 31, 2023 to Anderwood Equestrian (check, cash, online payment or Venmo @anderwoodeq). IEA dues help cover expenses for insurance, administrative fees and required equipment for horses and riders.
- Order team swag (optional) no later than August 31, 2023.

IEA Team Membership Form

Rider Name: _____ Age: _____

Grade 23-24 School Year 4th 5th 6th 7th 8th 9th 10th 11th 12th

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Email Address: _____ Phone Number: _____

Address: _____

Emergency Contact Information: _____

Riders Experience Level

Years of Riding: _____

Show Experience: Yes No

If yes, list classes performed in last show: _____

Jumping Experience: Yes No

If yes, select highest jump rider is comfortable showing:

cross-rail (18") 2' 2'3" 2'6" 2'9" 3' or higher

Rider's Current Trainer & Facility: _____

I have read and understood the Rider and Parent/Guardian Requirements. I agree to comply with information provided for the IEA team.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____