

#### 2024-2025 Season

## **IEA INFORMATION**

- Open to all riders entering 4<sup>th</sup> grade 12<sup>th</sup> grade.
- <sup>→</sup> 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 (4<sup>th</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> grade) and a High School Team (9<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup>).
- □ Individual riders receive points based on placing in classes:
  - o 1st Place 7 Points
  - o 2<sup>nd</sup> Place 5 Points
  - o 3<sup>rd</sup> Place 4 Points
  - o 4<sup>th</sup> Place 3 Points
  - o 5<sup>th</sup> Place 2 Points
  - o 6<sup>th</sup> 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 (navy or black 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 have the option to 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 Agri 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 two classes depending on their designated classes. Flat only riders will have a warm-up class in addition to their regular class. Over fences riders will have a flat class and a jumping class.
- 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.

#### **SHOW FEES**

- IEA Team Dues are \$125 per rider to cover insurance and administrative fees associated with IEA participation.
- Fees for each show will be \$260 per rider. Riders will participate in two classes each show.
- Show fee must be paid at least 10 days prior to show date.
- Riders who drop out of a show after 10 days prior to show date will only be reimbursed for 50% of their show fee.
- Show fees include trainer fee, hauling, stall, shavings, and class fees.
- Total fees for 2024 -2025 IEA Regular Season will be \$905 \$1425 depending on the number of shows in which riders compete.

#### SHOW HOSTING RESPONSIBILITIES

- Anderwood Equestrian will be hosting an IEA Show on Saturday, September 7, 2024 at Chicopee Woods Agri-Center.
- Parents and Riders will be asked to support the host responsibilities. Some of the responsibilities include, but are not limited to:
  - Set-up arena and other areas
  - Decorating show jumps
  - Providing raffle baskets
  - Performing duties such as in/out gate monitors, ring monitor, jump crew, announcer, awards, raffle, show secretary support
  - Show clean-up
- A pre-show meeting and sign-ups will occur in early August.

## RIDER REQUIREMENTS

- <sup>∞</sup> Must be entering 4<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> 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 must commit to arriving on time, participating in assigned tasks and duties and staying for the duration of the show to support team members. Riders may only arrive late or leave early with prior approval of team coaches.
- 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.
- Parents must commit to ensuring riders arrive on time, participate in assigned tasks and duties and stay for the duration of the show to support team members. Riders may only arrive late or leave early with prior approval of team coaches.
- Failure to comply with these requirements may result in rider being dismissed from the team.

## **IEA TO-DO LIST**

Complete Youth Rider Membership application. Enter team name: Anderwood Equestrian. Please complete this process by July 31, 2024. There is a \$70 membership fee.
 Pay \$125 IEA Dues no later than July 31, 2024 to Anderwood Equestrian (check, cash, Venmo @anderwoodeq).
 Order team swag (optional) no later than August 31, 2024. A notification will go out to team members when order forms are ready.

# SHOW DATES Show dates are tentative and subject to change by Host Team.

DATE	SHOW HOST	LOCATION	DUE DATES
Saturday, 9/7/24	Anderwood Equestrian	Chicopee Woods Agri-	Registration: 8/17/24
		Center	Payment: 8/27/24
Saturday, 10/26/24	Edgewater Equestrian	Chicopee Woods Agri-	Registration: 10/5/24
		Center	Payment: 10/15/24
Sunday, 10/27/24	Break Away Farms	Chicopee Woods Agri-	Registration: 10/5/24
		Center	Payment: 10/15/24
Saturday, 11/9/24	Mt. Pisgah	Chicopee Woods Agri-	Registration: 10/19/24
		Center	Payment: 10/29/24
Saturday, 11/16/24	Sunnybrook	Chicopee Woods Agri-	Registration: 10/26/24
		Center	Payment: 11/5/24
Saturday, 12/7/24	Denmark	Chicopee Woods Agri-	Registration: 11/16/24
		Center	Payment: 11/26/24
Sunday, 12/8/24	Chastain	Chicopee Woods Agri-	Registration: 11/16/24
		Center	Payment: 11/26/24
Saturday, 12/14/24	Cornerstone	Chicopee Woods Agri-	Registration: 11/23/24
(this show has not been confirmed)		Center	Payment: 12/3/24
Saturday, 1/11/25	Mill Creek Equestrian	Chicopee Woods Agri-	Registration: 12/21/24
		Center	Payment: 12/31/24
Sunday, 1/12/25	North Gwinnett	Chicopee Woods Agri-	Registration: 12/21/24
		Center	Payment: 12/31/24

Coaches will designate priority show dates after teams are established.