

Frequently Asked Questions About Lessons

When can lessons be scheduled?

We offer lessons 7 days a week with our multiple instructors. Tuesdays through Sundays we offer lessons starting at 9am to our latest lesson time at 4:30pm.

Does my lesson time stay the same every week?

Yes, we do try to keep lessons at a consistent time each week. We also realize that this doesn't work with everyone's schedule so we can schedule week to week if it is easier. If you have a conflict at your usual lesson time, we encourage you to reschedule for a different day.

How long are the lessons?

Please come before your lesson time to get a horse ready, for most people this takes about 30 minutes, for some people it takes more time and for some less. Please make sure you are ready to go with your horse at your scheduled lesson time as we must stay on schedule. Lessons are 45 minutes, then after your lesson you will need to put your horse away, which usually takes about 20 minutes. Plan to be at the barn for an hour and a half to two hours.

I am nervous about getting a horse ready for the first time or I don't think my child is able to get a horse ready on their own.

For our adult beginners, don't fret we will have someone there to help you get a horse ready your first few times and after that there will be lots of friendly faces in the barn that are happy to answer any questions or help with any problems.

For those parents of young children we will have someone assist your child as much or as little as they need to safely get a horse ready.

What should I wear to lessons?

Wear long pants, any type of jeans or breeches are fine. You can wear leggings if you must but make sure they aren't too slick. Wear some sort of boot that isn't mid-calf, either ankle or up to the knee. This is because when you are doing seat-working exercises mid-calf boots tend to get caught on the saddle.

If you don't have any sort of riding boot that is okay, hiking boots are fine in the beginning because you won't have stirrups. Eventually you will need some type of riding boot though.

All mounted riders are required to wear a helmet. If you have a riding helmet, great you can bring it to use. Otherwise we have helmets you can borrow. If you plan to commit to lessons long term, we do recommend getting your own riding helmet as they are very affordable.

How do lesson packs work?

Lessons are sold in 4-week packs. Depending on the frequency of the lessons and the instructor prices for a pack will vary. If you do a lesson more than once a week there is a \$5 discount per lesson. Payment for lesson packs must be received at the time of the first lesson.

How do I pay for a lesson pack?

For payment we take: cash, check and Venmo. There is no refunds on lesson packs.

What happens if I have to skip a lesson in my lesson pack?

No problem if you are out of town for a week or two we will roll your lessons over to the next week. Lesson packs do expire after 6 weeks though. If you think this will be an issue with purchasing a lesson pack, please talk to your instructor.

What if I don't want to buy a lesson pack?

If you don't want to buy a lesson pack that is totally fine, single lessons are \$10 more per lesson though.

Is it ever too cold for lessons?

Yes, if it is under 22 degrees it is too cold to work horses. If the temperature is above 22 degrees and you decide not to do your lesson it will count towards your lesson pack. When the temperature is that cold during your regularly scheduled lesson time, we encourage you to either reschedule to a different day or to later in the afternoon when temperatures are warmer.

What if I need to cancel?

If you do need to cancel, please give us as much notice as possible so we can plan accordingly. We do know that life happens though sometimes, so please give us at least 24 hours notice when you need to cancel, or the lesson will count towards your pack.