



# Happy Acres Ranch

## Horseback Riding Lessons

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We are a schooling barn geared towards teaching riders to build a relationship with their horse both in, and out of the saddle. We have a diverse group of riders and horses in our barn. We ask that you please be courteous and respectful to our horses and other clients and assist us in keeping our facility clean. Our goal is always to maintain a safe and enjoyable instructional environment.

In this packet you will find answers to most of your questions as well as a list of our policies and required documents. Should you have any further questions please feel free to ask.

### Proper Riding Attire

We require all riders to have an equestrian riding helmet. We cannot accept bicycle helmets. Happy Acres has helmets at the barn for riders to borrow. Loaned helmets must remain at the barn. All students must have riding pants, or long pants in order to ride, even in hot weather. If you are going to continue riding, we recommend purchasing riding pants, they are much more comfortable. Boots must have a minimum of a one-inch heel and a smooth bottom (no ridges on sole). Sunscreen, bug screen and water bottles are advisable. Our facility is completely outdoors, please dress appropriately.

### Fees and Payments

#### **\$50.00 Annual facility fee upon registration**

*This fee goes towards the maintenance of our horses and equipment.*

#### **\$60.00 per private hour lesson \$45.00 per group hour lesson**

*All lessons include 10 minutes of grooming and tacking, 40 minutes of instruction, and 10 minutes of debriefing and cool down. Must be at least 5 years of age. Riders under the age of 18 years, must have a parent or guardian present for the entire lesson.*

All payments will be made through Tuition Express, our online payment system. We must have a completed Payment Authorization Form (attached) on file. It is the payer's responsibility to update bank account and credit card information to keep the account current. There will be a \$25 fee for declined credit card payments, and a \$35 fee for any returned ACH payments.



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Rider's Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

DOB: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Height: \_\_\_\_\_ Weight: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender M F

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_ Work (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Email (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Employer/School \_\_\_\_\_ Grade (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Employer Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Time (circle): School Year Summer

(Please fill out this section if you are filling out for a child)

**Guardian #1** Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address (if different from child): \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Guardian #2** Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address (if different from child): \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

## Emergency Contact

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ Work: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ Work: \_\_\_\_\_

## Health History

Medications (include prescription and over-the-counter, name, dose and frequency)

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Health conditions that the rider may have. (Do you have any health conditions or special circumstances that may affect program participation?)

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Please list any allergies.

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Please list any past health treatments. (Including but not limited to surgeries, illnesses)

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## Health Insurance Carrier:

**All riders are required to carry primary health insurance.**

Insurance Company: \_\_\_\_\_ Policy Holder Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Policy Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Group Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Hospital Preference: ☐ Wolfson Children's ☐ Memorial Baptist ☐ St. Vincent's ☐ Shands

Primary Care Physician: \_\_\_\_\_ Dentist: \_\_\_\_\_

**All children under the age of 18 MUST have a Florida Health Form (yellow paper done by the pediatrician) on file before he/she can ride.**

**ALL riders must show proof of an up-to-date tetanus shot (DTP Vaccine). If participant opts out to receive the vaccine, there needs to be a written exception.**

## Horseback Riding Release

All riders will be given mounted lessons and horsemanship. This includes proper grooming techniques, tacking, tack up (putting saddle and bridle on), and general horse care. All riders must wear an approved equestrian helmet. All riders are required to have long pants and boots with a 1-inch heel with a smooth bottom to ride. Please see more on the cover letter for more detailed information.

### RELEASE AGREEMENT:

The undersigned, individually or as a guardian of \_\_\_\_\_, a minor rider, hereby releases Philip O' Donnell, Anna Vatter, their heirs, successors and assigns and HAPPY ACRES RANCH, INC., its stockholders, officers, directors, agents, servants, employees or landlords (hereinafter collectively called the "release"), from any and all liability, causes of action, claims of demands for any property damage or personal injury sustained by the undersigned or the minor child described above, as direct proximate results of the use of the stable facility or any horses owned or operated by HAPPY ACRES RANCH, INC, and houses or used therein at 7117 Crane Avenue, Jacksonville, Fl, 32216. The undersigned that has been advised prior to the execution of their release agreement that the release has very limited or no liability insurance coverage for any damage or injury sustained by any person utilizing the aforesaid stable facility and those horses for any purpose by the undersigned, or their minor children without the release of liability and the execution of this unlimited release agreement. By the execution hereof, it is clearly understood that the use of the said stable facility and horse for nay purpose SHALL BE AT THE SOLE RISK OF THE UNDERSIGNED. Under Florida Law, an equine activity sponsor, an equine professional, shall not be liable for injury to or the death of a participant resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities, FL. Statutes 777.03.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Rider or Parent/Legal Guardian (under 18 years of age)

## Rider's Level

Please check the type of lessons you are registering for:

\_\_\_\_ **Beginner**    \_\_\_\_ **Beginner/Intermediate**    \_\_\_\_ **Intermediate**

**Beginner-** During lessons, the rider will learn how to halter, lead, groom and tack a horse, knot tying, safety awareness and more. While mounted the rider will learn how to walk and trot independently in an arena with others. Balance is a crucial component learned at this stage.

**Beginner/Intermediate-** These lessons advance beyond true beginner skills. The advances include skills such as stirrup and girth adjustments, balance, steering/control, coordination, problem solving, organization and more. Skills at the trot such as 2-point position, circles, serpentines and figure 8's become a focus. A student may spend as many sessions necessary to become competent before going on to intermediate level.

**Intermediate-** Student has mastered the beginner/intermediate skills. The lessons will add skills such as bending exercises for horse, lateral movements, different lengths of stride and pace, how to get the horse "on the bit" and more. Intermediate focuses on coordination and learning the basics of jumping and western disciplines.

How did you learn about Happy Acres Ranch Equestrian Program?

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Please describe your experience with horses.

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What are your goals for taking these riding lessons?

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## Photo Release

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Consent to and authorize the use and reproduction by Happy Acres Ranch Inc of any and all photographs and any other audio/visual materials taken of me or my child for promotional material, educational activities, exhibitions or for any use for the benefit of the program.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Rider or Parent/Legal Guardian (under 18 years of age)

## Contract Agreement

I \_\_\_\_\_ hereby have read and agree to all the policies and payments in the Happy Acres Ranch horseback riding lesson packet. By your signature, you verify that all the information provided on the enrollment is complete and true to your knowledge. As a rider at Happy Acres Ranch, Inc, I acknowledge the risks and potential for risk of a horseback-riding program. I also agree to ask any questions on any policy that I am uncertain of or do not understand.

I agree to indemnify and hold harmless Happy Acres Ranch, Inc, their agents, owners and employees from any and all claims, damages, losses, injuries and expenses arising out of or resulting from equine activities in which I participate. I further agree to release and promise and covenant not to sue Happy Acres Ranch, its agents or employees for any and all actions, causes of action, claim or damages, damages in law or remedies in equity of whatever kind, including negligence of Happy Acres Ranch or of myself, my family, visitors, or my heirs, arising of the equine or associate's activities in which I participate.

I acknowledge that Happy Acres Ranch is not responsible for any of my personal belongings and personal property. I understand that it is my responsibility to keep track of my own belongings.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Rider or Parent/Guardian (under 18 years of age)