

Iron Star Equestrian

Class Descriptions:

Health and Wellness plus Stable Management

This class covers basic health care associated with horses such as vaccination schedules, coggins tests, common ailments and treatments. We will discuss lameness, farrier and basic first aid. Our hands-on activity will be taking a horses' Temperature, Pulse and Respiration. In the stable management section we will discuss what makes a stable, types of hay and grain, supplements and pasture/forage.

Tack and Horse Care and Maintenance

This class discusses tack and its care. How to clean tack properly, how to spot damage or tack that needs replacing. We will discuss bridle and saddle fit. Our hands-on activity will be assembling a bridle correctly and fitting it to a horse. We will discuss common bits too. In the horse care and maintenance section we will discuss body clipping, blanketing, bathing and leg protection. We will discuss how to treat skin conditions, how and when to blanket or body clip. Our hands on activity will be applying polo wraps, stable bandages, brushing boots and shipping wraps. We will also be discussing breeds, colors, gaits and markings of horses.

Riding Theory

This class will discuss structuring a good ride, how to know when to quit, keeping your rides interesting, equitation, dressage theory and jumping theory. We will discuss types of movements associated with each dressage level, types of jumping classes including hunters, jumpers and eventing as well as correct equitation for each discipline. Our hands-on activity will be the Barrel Challenge where riders will sit on a saddle placed on a barrel and balance in various riding positions such as seated and two point. Come test your skills on the barrels!!

Course Design and Building

This special Saturday class will discuss the elements to course design and structure. We will discuss types of jumps, turns and questions you can see in most well designed courses. We will discuss the build of jumps, types of jumps and what those jumps are "asking" of the horses. We will then design a course based on what we learned and go to our jump arena and build it.

Show Prep

This class will discuss preparing your horse for a show. We will go over grooming, braiding methods, what to pack and setting up the stall/tack stall at shows. We will discuss bathing techniques as well as getting the best shine out of your horse. Our hands-on activity will be braiding manes.

Trailer Loading

This special Saturday class will cover how to load horses into a straight load trailer and a slant load trailer. We will discuss safety while traveling, what to pack and how to tie horses correctly and safely. Our hands-on activity will be loading horses.

Class Schedule

Friday August 1, 2025 -

10:00am, 4:00pm, 5:00pm - Health and Wellness plus Stable Management

OR Guest Speaker 4:00pm - TBD

Tuesday August 5, 2025 -

4:00pm, 5:00pm, 8:15pm - Health and Wellness plus Stable Management

Wednesday August 6, 2025 -

10:00am, 4:00pm, 5:00pm - Tack and Horse Care and Maintenance

Thursday August 7, 2025 -

4:00pm, 5:00pm - Riding Theory

Friday August 8, 2025 -

10:00am, 4:00pm, 5:00pm - Show Prep

OR Guest Speaker 4:00pm - TBD

Saturday August 9, 2025 -

10:00am - Course Design and Building

Monday August 11, 2025 -

4:00pm, 5:00pm - Health and Wellness plus Stable Management

Tuesday August 12, 2025 -

4:00pm, 5:00pm, 8:15pm - Tack and Horse Care and Maintenance

Wednesday August 13, 2025 -

10:00am - Riding Theory

Thursday August 14, 2025 -

4:00pm, 5:00pm - Lunging and Steady Hands Exercise - For ISE Riders only

Friday August 15, 2025 -

10:00am, 4:00pm, 5:00pm - Riding Theory

OR Guest Speaker 4:00pm - TBD

Monday August 18, 2025 -

4:00pm, 5:00pm - Tack and Horse Care and Maintenance

Tuesday August 19, 2025 -

4:00pm - Guest Speaker Dr Nancy Goyert DVM

8:15pm - Riding Theory

Wednesday August 20, 2025 -

10:00am - Health and Wellness plus Stable Management

Thursday August 21, 2025 -

4:00pm, 5:00pm - Health and Wellness plus Stable Management

Monday August 25, 2025 -

4:00pm, 5:00pm - Riding Theory

Tuesday August 26, 2025 -

4:00pm, 5:00pm - Lunging and Steady Hands - For ISE Riders only

Wednesday August 27, 2025 -

10:00am - Lunging and Steady Hands - For ISE Riders only

Thursday August 28, 2025 -

4:00pm, 5:00pm - Show Prep

Friday August 29, 2025 -

10:00am, 4:00pm, 5:00pm - Tack and Horse Care and Maintenance

OR Guest Speaker 4:00pm - TBD

Saturday August 30, 2025 -

10:00 - Trailer Loading