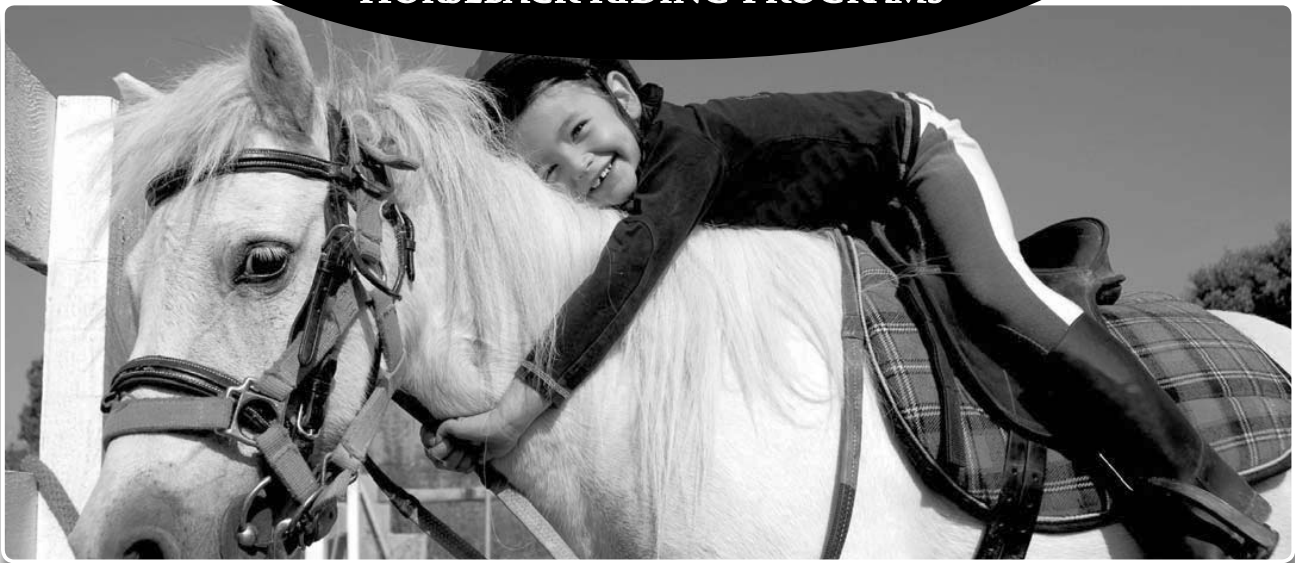


— NORMANTOWN TRAILS —

EQUESTRIAN CENTER

HORSEBACK RIDING PROGRAMS



NORMANTOWN TRAILS EQUESTRIAN CENTER (NTEC) offers riding lessons in English, Western, Hunter/Jumper and Dressage. Our lessons focus on safe handling and riding. We have a variety of school horses and ponies that can accommodate beginners and more advanced riders ages 8 thru adult. Children nearing 8 years old need to be evaluated before registering for private or group lessons. An evaluation lesson may be scheduled by calling NTEC at (815) 254-1950. There is a \$40 fee for this half hour lesson. Classes for students ages 5-7 are offered throughout the year.

BARN HOURS

Mon.-Fri. 9 am-8 pm
Sat.-Sun. 9 am-7 pm
Closed on major holidays

REGISTRATION

Registration for group lessons and special programs can be done by using the registration form in this catalog, registering online, or by going to NTEC or the Recreation/ Administration Center. Return the completed registration form and payment to NTEC or the Recreation/ Administration Center. Students are registered on a first-come first-served basis. A waiting list will be created if needed. NTEC does not participate in a lottery.

RELEASE FORM

A Liability Release Form must be filled out and signed before you can begin riding. All participants are expected to follow the barn rules and regulations that are posted at the stable.

RIDING ATTIRE

Long pants and sturdy shoes with a half-inch heel are the safest to wear when riding. Open-toed/open-heeled shoes and flip flops are prohibited and cannot be worn while riding. Riding helmets must be worn while on horseback. NTEC has helmets available for use if the rider does not own one. Damage to helmets or tack will be billed to the rider.

GIFT CERTIFICATES

Gift certificates for riding lessons are available for purchase at NTEC. Riding lesson certificates make a wonderful birthday, anniversary, holiday, or special occasion gift for anyone who loves to ride. Certificates are good for 90 days from the date of purchase. Call, e-mail, or stop by NTEC for more information.

WEATHER CONDITIONS

Riding decisions will be based on the health and safety of our participants and horses. Horse theory classes will be provided featuring topics such as wrapping, grooming, nutrition, and other equestrian educational topics at times when riding is not appropriate. Any questions or concerns, please contact NTEC at (815) 254-1950.

24 HOUR CANCELLATION POLICY

Please remember your lesson is an appointment. Students need to arrive at least a half-hour early for their lesson or class. Late arrivals will not be able to make up missed riding or instruction time. A 24-hour cancellation notice is required. Students who do not give a 24-hour notice or do not show will be billed for that lesson time and may lose a standing lesson time slot.

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SPECIAL EVENTS

Come and watch NTEC students show off their riding skills!

Spring Schooling Show May 20 at 9 am

Horsing Around

Enjoy a night out while the kids come to NTEC for a horse themed game night! Participants will have snacks and play various games such as Horseopoly, horse hangman, and equine trivia. This is also a great opportunity for kids to meet new friends with similar interests!

Program #	Day	Date	Time	Location
33711A1	F	Feb. 24	7-9:30 pm	NORM
33711B1	F	Apr. 13	7-9:30 pm	NORM

Ages 9-16 | R \$25 / NR \$25 | Min. 5 / Max. 15

Valentine Pictures and Pony Rides

Make Peter Pan your sweetheart and take a picture with him for Valentine's Day! Peter will be festively dressed for the event and will pose for as many pictures as you can take in 3 minutes. Pony rides will also be available. Rides are 10 minutes in length and helmets will be provided.

Bring your camera as NTEC will not be providing a photographer or photos for this event. Please call ahead to book your pony ride time as those with reservations will be served first. We try to keep the ride times on schedule however it does take time to switch riders. Your patience is appreciated!

Program #	Day	Date	Time	Location
	Su	Feb. 12	1-3 pm	NORM

Pony Rides \$10 (10 minutes long) | Pictures \$3

PARTIES, PONY RIDES AND GROOMING SESSIONS

Party with the Ponies

Celebrate your birthday or other special events with our ponies! Parties may consist of 3-12 children ages 5-10 years. The two-hour party package (SAT or SUN from 2-4 pm) includes exclusive use of the clubroom and pony rides led by staff members. There will be 3 or 4 horses/ponies used for the party. You provide the food, beverages, paper goods, and adult supervision for children in the clubroom. A horse craft is available at no extra cost for those that are waiting to ride. You may also bring your own craft to the party if the provided craft is not age appropriate. NTEC staff will instruct the adult supervisor on the assembly of the craft, but NTEC cannot provide staff to help the children put it together. Parties must be booked at least two weeks in advance and scheduling is subject to availability. Sorry, no telephone reservations will be accepted as full payment is required to reserve a date. A \$50 cancellation fee will be retained if party is cancelled within one week of the date.

To book a party, call the stable at (815) 254-1950.
Cost: \$250

Pretty Pony

If your child is not ready to jump in the saddle but enjoys being around horses, then schedule a 20 minute grooming session with one of our horses or ponies. One of our staff will explain and demonstrate proper horse safety and grooming techniques followed by your child grooming on his/her own. This is a great way to help children get comfortable around our large companions. Sessions are available on Fri. afternoons and Sat. mornings. Children must wear covered shoes to participate. Please call ahead to schedule an appointment. | \$15 per child



Girl and Boy Scout Grooming Badges

Earn your grooming badge at NTEC! Scouts will learn the basics of horse safety and be shown how to properly groom a horse. Children will be divided into small groups after the demonstration to clean a horse or pony. The grooming session is followed by a short ride on a horse or pony that is led by a handler. There is no riding instruction included. Sessions are available by appointment only and are subject to availability. Sessions are 1 ½ hours long. Educational handouts are available as some badges require the discussion of more information than others. We can tailor the class to fit your needs!

Ages 8 & up | \$20 per child | Min 5 / Max. 12

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PARTIES, PONY RIDES AND GROOMING SESSIONS (CONTINUED...)

Pony Power

Meet and ride an NTEC horse or pony! Pony rides are available for children ages 3-10. Pony rides last for 15 minutes and are led by a staff member. Covered shoes are required and a helmet will be provided. An adult must be present during the ride, and cameras are welcome. Pony rides will only be offered on FRI after 4 pm and on SAT after 10 am. Please call ahead to schedule an appointment. Ride and groom combos are available for an additional \$5. Participants choosing this option will get a 10 minute pony ride and a 10 minute grooming session.

Ride only: \$15 | Ride / Groom Combo: \$20



GROUP LESSONS AND CLASSES

Beginner 1 Group Lesson

Give your wallet a break by signing up for our beginner group lessons. Students will learn the same basic riding and horsemanship skills as our Beginner I Semi-Private Lessons, but the class sizes will be larger. The first session is non-riding and will teach students how to lead, groom and tack a horse.

Program #	Day	Date	Time	Location
37703A1	Tu	Jan. 10-31	5-6 pm	NORM
37703A2	Sa	Jan. 7-28	4-5 pm	NORM
37703B1	Tu	Mar. 6-27	5-6 pm	NORM
37703C1	Tu	May 1-22	5-6 pm	NORM
37703C2	Sa	May 5-26	4-5 pm	NORM

Ages 8-18 | R \$140 / NR \$140 | Min. 3 / Max. 3

Beginner 2 Group Lesson

These lessons are for students who have successfully completed Beginner 1 group lessons or have taken equivalent classes. Participants need to be able to properly complete the following tasks before signing up for this course: put a halter on, lead a horse to the crossties, groom a horse, know what tack is needed for riding, and be able to correctly tack a horse with some assistance. Beginner 1 classes may be repeated if students are not comfortable performing the skills mentioned above. Students will be introduced to riding patterns and balance exercises during the Beginner 2 course.

Program #	Day	Date	Time	Location
37706A1	Tu	Feb. 7-28	5-6 pm	NORM
37706B1	Tu	Apr. 3-24	5-6 pm	NORM
37706B2	Sa	Apr. 7-28	4-5 pm	NORM

Ages 8-18 | R \$140 / NR \$140 | Min. 3 / Max. 3

Parents and Pee Wees Level 1

Learn about horse care and riding with your animal-loving child. Classes will teach parent and child how to groom and tack as well as introduce the basics of horsemanship. Parents will be active participants in these classes and will learn how to safely lead a horse while their child is riding. Proper clothing by adults and children is mandatory.

Program #	Day	Date	Time	Location
32701A1	Tu	Jan. 10-31	6-7 pm	NORM
32701B1	Tu	Mar. 6-27	6-7 pm	NORM
32701C1	Tu	May 1-22	6-7 pm	NORM

Ages 5-7 | R \$180 / NR \$180 | Min. 2 / Max. 3

Parents and Pee Wees Level 2

Here is the next step for our young riders! Participants should have some knowledge of putting a halter on, leading, grooming, tacking, mounting, and dismounting. Parents will still be active participants during the lesson as the students work towards independent riding. Participants will continue to build their riding skills by learning balance exercises, independent steering at a walk, and how to properly ride at a trot.

Program #	Day	Date	Time	Location
32702A1	Tu	Feb. 7-28	6-7 pm	NORM
32702B1	Tu	Apr. 3-24	6-7 pm	NORM

Ages 5-7 | R \$180 / NR \$180 | Min. 2 / Max. 3

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PRIVATE / SEMI-PRIVATE LESSONS



Private Lessons

Private lessons are available for riders ages 8 and older. Fee for ½ hour private lesson is \$40 for non-boarders and a \$35 for boarders. Private lesson packages consisting of 4, 8, or 12 lessons are available for purchase. There is a \$10 discount for every 4 pre-purchased private lessons. Plan to be at the stable at least 30 minutes prior to your lesson time and remain at least 15 minutes after to care for the horse.

Schedule your private lesson by calling (815) 254-1950.

Beginner I Semi-Private Lesson

Semi-private group lessons are an hour long and are limited to 2 riders per session. Students benefit from the extra time in the saddle and the small class size allows for more individual attention. Participants will learn how to approach, lead, mount, dismount, groom and tack a horse/pony and begin to learn the gaits of walk and trot. Riders can choose to ride English or Western. Instructors will assign a horse/pony to students. Learning is accomplished through demonstrations as well as hands-on experiences. Group lessons may be repeated until skills are mastered. First session will be a non-riding lesson and will focus on horse handling, care, and safety. This class may be repeated until skills are mastered. Instructor approval is required to advance to the next level.

Program #	Day	Date	Time	Location
37701A1	Sa	Feb. 4-25	4-5 pm	NORM

Ages 8-18 | R \$180 / NR \$180 | Min. 2 / Max. 2

Beginner 2 Semi-Private Lesson

Are you ready for the next step? This class is for students who have successfully completed Beginner I group lessons. Participants need to be able to properly complete the following tasks before signing up for this course: put a halter on, lead a horse to the cross-ties, groom a horse, know what tack is needed for riding, and be able to correctly tack a horse with some assistance. These classes are also an hour long with only 2 students per session. Riders will continue to work on their riding skills by learning to ride a figure eight, ride a serpentine, go over trot poles, and perform various balance exercises. This class may be repeated until skills are mastered.

Program #	Day	Date	Time	Location
37702A1	Sa	Mar. 3-24	4-5 pm	NORM

Ages 8-18 | R \$180 / NR \$180 | Min. 2 / Max. 2

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is now offering a variety of group lessons to suit your needs. Semi-private and group lessons are a great way to start getting into horseback riding. Most students will then go on to take private lessons. We can also customize group lessons if needed such as for a one time special occasion.

Please call NTEC at (815) 254-1950 to schedule an appointment.

No make-ups for missed lessons.

All programs take place at the
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plainfieldparkdistrict.com



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