



JOYRIDE EQUESTRIAN

Lesson Policies

Mission Statement

Our mission is to enrich the lives of people of all ability levels through horsemanship and riding.

Philosophy

The philosophy of JoyRide is that all people can derive joy and enrichment from working with horses. Elle believes that every person and every horse is an individual with unique goals, dreams, idiosyncrasies, worries, and motivations. Horsemanship is not a set system or program that guarantees success, but rather a fluid and dynamic practice that must be adaptable to each individual. Working with horses is like learning a language and a sport all at once. It is about balance, relationship, behavior, and communication.

With these things in mind, the partnerships and teamwork between rider, horse, and instructor can grow and develop into something truly beautiful.

Lessons

Elle is a PATH certified therapeutic riding instructor, MS in Equine Nutrition 2015, BS in Horse Science 2013. Lessons are student-directed and objectives and goals depend entirely on the individual. Student goals vary widely from leading independently, trail riding safely, jumping, competing, etc.

Payment

Lessons are available in packages of 4 privates (usually monthly, to be paid the first lesson of the month). Semi-private lessons will have the difference in cost deducted from next check.

Lessons purchased individually have a \$5 additional charge.

Late checks have a \$5 additional charge per week.

Checks or cash are accepted. Checks should be made out to JoyRide Equestrian, LLC.

Cancellation Policy

24 hours notice is required to cancel or reschedule a lesson, except in case of sudden illness or other emergency. Notify Elle in writing (email or text) and let me know as soon as possible

about upcoming lessons you will be missing. Non-emergent cancellations less than 24 hours in advance will be paid at full price (no-shows, or "I forgot" etc).

Weather

In the case of bad weather, the instructor will reschedule or cancel lessons. We will communicate via text or email if weather is in question.

Schedule

Lessons are scheduled on a Google calendar that will be shared with you. Weekly lesson emails are meant for scheduling -- the Google calendar is always up to date.

Pricing

	cost	cost/lesson
4 Private Lessons	\$260	\$65
Semi-private Lessons		\$45
Single lesson check		Additional \$5

If you own or lease a horse, lessons are added to your monthly invoice (sent via email), to be paid on the 1st of the following month.

Private Lessons		\$55
Semi-private Lessons		\$40

Lessons may include time spent grooming and tacking, groundwork, and mounted work, depending on student goals and skill level. Students who can groom and tack independently should do so before the start time of the lesson.

Attire

All riders should wear a helmet when mounted. Riders under 18 MUST wear an ASTM-SEI approved riding helmet when mounted. Helmets must be fitted and in good condition. Riders must wear closed toed shoes, preferably boots with a heel, and long pants.

ALL riders and/or those handling horses must sign a liability release waiver for JoyRide Equestrian, LLC.

Training

Each training ride is treated as a lesson for the horse. In order to be effective, training has to be biomechanically sound and appropriate for that individual horse's stage of training and state of mind. Sessions are meant to improve balance, increase flexibility and strength, and improve overall fitness. Training rides vary in length and are invoiced accordingly.