



Dear Riders and Parents,

Fall 2021

First and foremost, we hope that you and your loved ones are safe and healthy. We have received questions from the community about if and how COVID-19 will change this year's riding season. We know this outbreak has been stressful for many of you and we recognize that exercising and participating in activities, such as sports, can be a healthy way to cope with stress and connect with our community.

We are pleased to inform you that, despite the recent increases in COVID-19 cases, we remain in full operational mode, while following CDC considerations to protect riders, families, and our community. The health and safety of our riders, staff, and volunteers remain our highest priority. Below, you will find a summary of actions we are taking to help ensure that we are lowering COVID-19 risk as much as possible while also allowing our athletes to ride. We are:

- Escalating cleaning, disinfection, and ventilation within our facilities and premises by cleaning and disinfecting frequently touched surfaces on the tack, bridles, and saddles surfaces daily and between use as feasible. We are cleaning and disinfecting shared objects and equipment between use and ensuring safe and correct use and storage of disinfectants;
- Reducing physical closeness or contact between all persons when possible, by allowing riders to focus on building individual skills, keeping children and adults in small groups, discouraging unnecessary physical contact.
- Promoting healthy hygiene practices, such as providing hand sanitizer before and after riding and games and encouraging safety measures when not mounted on horseback.
- Riders may opt to wear a cloth face covering while on the horse, however we will not require that it covers their mouth while riding.

Anyone who is sick or has been in contact with someone who has or has been exposed to COVID-19—including riders family members, staff and spectators — should not attend lessons or be on the premises.

If you have a specific question about this plan or COVID-19, please contact Bob and/or Maureen Allen for more information. You can also find more information about COVID-19 at [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov).

We look forward to seeing you. Now, let's ride!

Thank you and stay healthy,

Bob Allen

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