CADENCE RIDING ACADEMY GUIDE

Everything You Need to Know About Lessons, Memberships & Riding at Cadence

Welcome to Cadence Riding Academy! This guide is designed to help riders and families understand our lesson program and the opportunities available at Cadence Equestrian Center.

🐴 LESSON BOOKING

Lessons can be booked and managed through **EC PRO US** from a web browser or the EC PRO US app. Lessons may be booked up to **12 hours before the scheduled start time**.

🐴 RIDER LEVELS

Our curriculum-based program allows riders to progress through clearly defined riding and horsemanship levels.

Level 1 — **Not Leveled Yet**—Rider has not yet been leveled in our system.
Level 2 — Fundamentals — Fundamentals of riding and horsemanship.
Level 3 — Walk/Trot — Walk/trot flatwork, walk ground poles, up to trot ground-pole courses.
Level 4 — Walk/Trot/Canter — Walk/trot/canter flatwork, trot crossrails, up to canter crossrail courses.
Level 5 — 18"–2' — Walk/trot/canter flatwork, canter 18" vertical courses, and up to canter 2' courses.
Level 6 — 2'+ — Walk/trot/canter flatwork and canter 2' vertical courses and above.

⭐ SUPER START 8-LESSON COURSE

For Beginner Riders | 8 Lessons — $500 | Save $100

Our Super Start 8-Lesson Course is required for beginner riders starting in our program. The course provides eight structured lessons at designated times, typically with the same instructor, to help riders build a strong foundation and progress consistently. After completing Super Start, most riders will be ready to transition into one of our discounted lesson memberships.

🐴 DISCOUNTED LESSON MEMBERSHIPS

Our Best Lesson Value

Memberships are discounted subscriptions designed to make consistent riding easy. Lesson **tokens are automatically added to your EC PRO US account every 30 days** on your subscription renewal date and can be used to book eligible lessons with any available instructor.

4-Group Membership — 4 Group Lessons | **$250/month** | *Save $50*
8-Group Membership — 8 Group Lessons | **$450/month** | *Save $150*
4-Private Membership — 4 Private Lessons | **$350/month** | *Save $30*
Tiny Trotter Membership — Ages 4–6 — 4 Private Lessons | **$250/month** | *Save $50*

How to Join:
Web: **Account** → **Membership** → **Create New Membership** → **Choose**
EC PRO US App: **Account** → **Subscriptions** → **New Subscription** → **Choose**

🐴 LESSON TOKEN PACKAGES

Token packages provide discounted lessons without a recurring subscription. Lesson tokens are added to your account immediately after purchase and can then be used to book eligible lessons.

4 Private Lessons — Level 3 | $275
4 Private Lessons — Levels 4–6 | $350
4 Group Lessons — Levels 3–6 | $275

How to Purchase:
Web: **Account** → **Tokens** → **Choose Package**
EC PRO US App: **Account** → **Tokens** → **Choose Package**

🐴 EQUISHARE MEMBERSHIPS

Equishare is designed for riders who want the consistency and experience of riding the same designated horse for every lesson and show. To learn more about Equishare, visit our website or contact the Cadence office.

Bronze Equishare — 8 Group Lessons | **$775/month**
Silver Equishare — 4 Group + 4 Private Lessons | **$875/month**
Gold Equishare — 8 Private Lessons | **$925/month**

🐴 DROP-IN & ADD-ON LESSONS

Single lessons are available for riders who would like an additional lesson or prefer to pay as they go.

Group Lesson — Levels 3–6 | 60 minutes | **$75**
Beginner Private — Level 2 — 45 minutes | **$75**
Private — Level 3 — 30 minutes | **$75**
Private — Levels 4–6 — 45 minutes | **$95**

🐴 PAYMENTS, CANCELLATIONS & CREDITS

All lessons, packages, and memberships are **non-refundable**.

Single Lessons: Payment is due when the lesson is booked. Lessons canceled at least **24 hours before the scheduled lesson time** are eligible for a credit toward a future lesson. To use an available credit, book your new lesson, agree to the terms and conditions, and select the blue **"click here"** bar at checkout to apply your credit.

Membership Lessons: Memberships automatically renew every 30 days until canceled. Membership tokens are issued every 30 days on your subscription renewal date and expire 30 days after issuance. Tokens must be used for lessons occurring on or before the expiration date. If you cancel a token-booked lesson at least 24 hours in advance, the token will be returned to your account provided it has not expired.

🐴 TARDIES, NO-SHOWS & LATE CANCELLATIONS

Please arrive **10–15 minutes before your scheduled lesson** to help prepare your horse and plan to stay approximately **10–15 minutes afterward** to assist with untacking and horse care.

If you arrive late, your lesson will still end at its regularly scheduled time. Riders arriving **more than 10 minutes late** will forfeit the lesson and lesson fee with no credit or make-up lesson. No-shows and lessons canceled with less than 24 hours' notice are not eligible for a refund, credit, or make-up lesson.

🐴 LESSON CHANGES, BARN CLOSURES & WEATHER

Cadence Equestrian reserves the right to make necessary changes to horses, lessons, schedules, or instructors, including on short notice. If Cadence must cancel a lesson, a credit will be issued through our online system. During inclement weather, mounted lessons may be modified or substituted with unmounted horsemanship instruction when appropriate.

🐴 RIDING ATTIRE, TACK & SUPPLIES

All riding tack and equipment are provided by Cadence. Riders may use their own saddle only after it has been approved by a CEC instructor.

Required Riding Attire:

- ASTM/SEI-certified equestrian helmet (long hair tied back)
- English paddock boots with or without half chaps
- Tall boots for riders ages 12+
- Breeches, jodhpurs, or riding tights

- Fitted riding gloves
- Fitted jacket during cold weather
- 20"–24" English riding crop for Levels 4+

First Lesson: Riders may borrow a Cadence riding helmet and may wear closed-toed shoes and long pants. After the first lesson, riders are required to have appropriate riding apparel.

Apparel Resources:
Local: **Red Earth Feed & Tack — Oklahoma City | Circle E — Edmond**
Online: **Ariat | Kerrits | Farm House Tack | Amazon**

🏅 LEVEL UP WITH LEARNING GOALS

Follow your progress through our curriculum-based riding and horsemanship program! Learning goals are updated as riders progress through the Cadence curriculum.

- Work toward riding and horsemanship goals
- Earn a progress medal each time you level up
- Complete your horsemanship badges
- See exactly what you're working toward next

Check Your Rider's Learning Goals:
From a web browser: **Account** → **Manage Riders** → **View Learning Goals**

Horsemanship Badge Classes

Horsemanship is an important part of becoming a well-rounded equestrian. Each riding level includes **three Horsemanship Badges.** Riders must complete all three badges at their current level, along with their riding learning goals, to be eligible to level up.

Badge classes focus on essential unmounted horsemanship skills and knowledge. Badges may be completed **in any order**. Completed badges will be checked off in your rider's **Learning Goals** in EC PRO US.

🐴 FACILITY POLICIES

Our policies are designed to keep our riders, families, staff, and horses safe.

- Drive slowly and carefully while on CEC property. Watch for horses, riders, pedestrians, and other barn animals.
- Closed-toed shoes are required for **all visitors**. No bare feet, flip-flops, sandals, or Crocs.
- Horses can be unpredictable. Always use caution when walking around horses and follow staff instructions.

- No running, sudden movements, or loud noises around horses.
- Children must be supervised at all times. Children not participating in a lesson should remain with their parent or guardian.
- Do not bring pets, bicycles, balls, or other items that may frighten horses onto the property.
- Never enter an arena, stall, paddock, or pasture without permission.
- Parents and guests are welcome to watch lessons from designated viewing areas.
- Please do not coach or critique riders during lessons.
- Children may not climb fences or play in the shavings, hay barn, or horse areas.
- Park only in designated areas. Do not park on the grass or block horse trailers.
- Do not handle horses, dogs, or cats on the property unless instructed by CEC staff.
- Smoking is prohibited anywhere on CEC property.
- Do not feed horses without permission from CEC staff.
- All email and text communication between minors and Cadence instructors or staff should include a parent or guardian.
- Please keep text communications within normal operating hours.

🐴 ADDITIONAL CADENCE PROGRAMS

Horse Shows — Cadence gives Academy riders the unique opportunity to compete in horse shows without owning their own horse. We organize multiple horse shows throughout the year for riders at a variety of levels.

Horse Camps — Cadence offers riding camps throughout the year during school breaks, including spring, summer, fall, and winter camps.

Riding Boot Camps — Our riding boot camps give riders opportunities for additional saddle time, skill development, and preparation for upcoming competitions.

Interscholastic Equestrian Association (IEA) — Cadence is home to **Team Cadence**, with Hunt Seat teams for riders in grades 4–12. Tryouts are held annually, with the IEA season running approximately July through April.

Training Board & National Competition Program — Cadence is home to a competitive training program under Head Trainer and Grand Prix rider **Rebecca Buchanan**. Training riders own or lease their horses and compete at prestigious competitions throughout the United States under USHJA and US Equestrian.

🐴 FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How often should my rider take lessons?
For consistent progress, we recommend riding at least once per week. Riders who want to progress more quickly may benefit from riding twice per week.

How do I know which lesson to book?
Each rider is leveled in our system. You will only be able to see and book lessons appropriate for the rider's level.

Can my rider take lessons with different instructors?
Yes! You are welcome to book lessons with any available instructor and we encourage learning from different instructors.

How do I know when my rider is ready to level up?
Riders progress by completing the riding and horsemanship learning goals for their current level. Check progress under **Manage Riders → View Learning Goals**.

Do we need to own a horse?
No. Cadence provides school horses for Academy lessons, camps, and eligible horse-show opportunities.

Can my rider take extra lessons?
Yes! Riders may book additional drop-in lessons whenever eligible lesson availability is offered.

Can my rider participate in horse shows?

Yes! Cadence offers Academy riders opportunities to participate in select horse shows without owning or leasing a horse. Show opportunities are available for eligible riders at a variety of levels. Watch for upcoming show announcements and registration information.

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