

Cadence Riding Academy

🌟 Guide to Showing 🌟

Cadence Equestrian Center hosts multiple fun & friendly horse shows throughout the year and provides riders in **Pre-K through 12 grade** the opportunity to compete without owning a horse. 🐾



Request to Participate

- Speak to one of our Riding Instructors to see if your child is ready to show.
 - Fill out the **Horse Show Sign-Up** form on our website.
 - Showing is not a guarantee. We'll do our best to include everyone, but spots are limited.
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Pre-Show Preparation

- **Extra Practice** - If you'd like practice on your show horse before the show, we recommend scheduling a private lesson(s) for show preparation.
 - **Horse Prep** - You may groom and bathe your horse before the show but only with your instructor's permission & supervision. Do not cut or trim our horses' manes or tails.
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Arrival Time & Schedule

Ask your instructor for when to arrive! Shows won't wait for late arrivals. Times are estimates. We recommend you do not schedule other activities on show day.



Show Attire Guide

- **Helmet & Hair**
 - ASTM-SEI approved helmet (black preferred)
 - 10 & under: 2 braids + bows
 - 11 & up: Hair in a net tucked into helmet
- **Shirt Options**
 - CEC long sleeve sun shirt
 - Navy, white or black polo
 - White long sleeved show shirt
- **Jacket Options**
 - Show coat (black/navy)
 - No jacket
- **Pants, Boots, & Gloves**
 - Khaki/beige jods (11 & under) or breeches (12+)
 - Paddock boots with jod straps (11 & under) or tall boots (12+)
 - Black gloves

Classes & Divisions

- Leadline Class (7 & under) – Walk equitation flat; riders are led by an adult
 - Beginner Poles – Trot over 4 pole course, walk/trot flat
 - Advanced Poles - Trot 6-8 pole course, walk/trot flat
 - Beginner Cross Bar – Trot course of 12" cross rails, flat class (walk/trot)
 - Advanced Cross Bar – Canter course of 12" cross rails, flat class (walk/trot/canter)
 - 18" Division – Over 18" verticals, flat class (walk/trot/canter)
 - 2' Division - Courses over 2' jumps, flat class (walk/trot/canter)
 - Warm-Up Classes – Horse prep by instructors as needed
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Awards & Prizes

- Ribbons: 🏆 1st–8th place
- Prizes: Additional prizes for High Point Riders

Positive Attitude

- Not every ride ends in ribbons — and that's okay!
 - Horse showing is about growth, teamwork, and having fun.
 - Parents, help keep the vibes positive!
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Parking & Spectators

- Park within the designated parking areas.
 - Accessible parking is available at the north arena, but only for spectators with mobility issues.
 - Drive slowly and with extreme caution—watch for horses and riders crossing.
 - MUST wear closed-toed shoes.
 - No dogs or pets.
 - No loud noises, sudden movements, or kids running near or around the arena.
 - Lawn chairs are okay.
 - No tents, umbrellas, bikes, or toys.
 - Sit on or near the north bleachers.
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Cost (Flat Rate)

- \$275 – Multiple Class Division
- \$75 – Leadline Class Only

Horses are assigned based on skill level. If your assigned horse becomes unavailable (injury, illness, etc), you'll get priority for the next show. Your payment will roll over to the next show or be applied as a credit on your EC PRO account.

Let the fun begin! 🌟 Ride with confidence, smile wide, and enjoy every moment! 🌟