



Windcroft Stables

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Horseback Riding Lesson Contract & Cancellation Policy (effective November 1, 2024)

— **Weekly Lesson Program** - Lesson Day/Time _____ Monthly Fees: _____
Fees \$260-\$325/month – due the 1st of every month (Rate \$65/lesson)

Weekly lesson spot, 4-5 lessons per month. Must have completed 1st set of 3 Intro Lessons within 1 month period, ages 2 years and up. Please note for children under 6 years old, lessons tend to be more therapeutic rather than gaining independent riding skills. There are many therapeutic benefits that include sensory, occupational, and physical for adults and children. For students under 8 years, it is recommended to suspend contract mid dec- mid march due to usual intolerance of cold weather – however there is the exceptional children that manage the cold just fine! If you will not be able to make your lesson time, you must provide 48 hours notice to receive a make up lesson. Make up lessons expire 2 months from original date missed, scheduling based on appropriate horse and instructor availability. If you would like to cancel or change the contract for the weekly lesson program, you must give 30 days notice.

— **Horsemanship Program** - Lesson Day/Time _____ Monthly Fees: _____
Fees \$220.00-\$275/month – due the 1st of every month (Rate \$55/lesson)

Weekly lesson spot, 4-5 lessons per month. Must have completed 3 Intro lessons within 1 month period and 10 years and up. If you will not be able to make your lesson time, you must provide 48 hours notice to receive a make up lesson. Make up lessons expire 2 months from original date. Students are required to help with care of animals for a minimum of 1hr per week, more days/hours encouraged. If student consistently is unable to help with animal care, they will automatically be transferred to the Weekly Lesson Program with associated fees. If you would like to cancel or change the contract for the horsemanship program, you must give 30 days notice.

— **Intermediate & Advanced Leasing Program** Lesson(s) Day/Time: _____ Monthly Fees: _____
Practice Ride(s) Day/Time _____

Min of \$320/month – due the 1st of every month (Rate \$55/Weekly Lesson + \$25/Practice Ride)
Current Windcroft Students can request this program but instructor approval is required. Advanced students will be invited into this program as their skills develop and connections are successful with certain horses. Supervision maybe required depending upon student skills and needs, in which case riding times will be during times that instructor is present. Eligible students may be offered extra riding time with no additional riding fees. No make ups permitted. Student must be 100% independent in grooming, tacking, and riding appropriately. Student is required to help with animal care for a minimum of 1 hour each riding day. Students under 18years must be supervised by an adult. If you would like to cancel or change the contract, you must give 90 days notice.

--- **If Instructor is unable** to provide a lesson as scheduled due to travel, illness, weather (no riding below 20 degrees windchill or dangerous weather/driving conditions), horse injury, sickness or other family obligations or emergencies – a make up lesson will be scheduled as student and appropriate horse are available with no expiration.

--- **Make up Lessons** - With appropriate notice make up lesson credits will expire 2 months from original date. Due to the nature of this business as we are unable to recoup the costs incurred from missed lessons/practice rides.

--- **Reminder** – appropriate written notice must be given to cancel/change contract, so that we can try to fill your spot with a new student. Care of horses and their home is an essential component of this contract. If a student and parent is unable or unwilling to participate in regular chores as required by this contract, you may opt for lessons only at a cost of \$75/lesson, however preference is given to committed contract students. If a student is not fulfilling their obligation to participate in chores, you may be charged an additional fee of \$15 per lesson at the instructors discretion. Your commitment supports our farm so that we can continue providing services at a discounted contract rate. Your signing of this contract and payment in effect states that you are in agreement with the terms of this contract. Payments via local check, cash or venmo @windcroft with phone ending in 5542, all payments are non-refundable.

Print Student Name _____ Age _____ Height _____ Weight _____

Student/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Print Parent/Guardian Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ Email: _____

Owner Operator/Julie Shields: _____ Date: _____