Dear Parents,

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. After careful thought and planning, we are excited to let you know that we are resuming our day camp while following CDC considerations to protect campers, families, and our community.

The health and safety of our campers, 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 campers when possible, by allowing riders to focus on building individual skills (such as grooming and horse care); keeping children in small groups putting signs and tape on floors to ensure that staff and campers stay 6 feet apart. Discouraging unnecessary physical contact, such as high-fives, handshakes, fist bumps, and hugs;
- Promoting healthy hygiene practices, such as providing hand sanitizer before and after riding and games, and encouraging children to cover coughs and sneezes with a mask, tissue or to use the inside of their elbow;
- Requesting that the staff, parents, and spectators wear a cloth face covering while at the farm. Campers may opt to wear a cloth face covering while on the horse, however we will not require that it covers their mouth while riding in the ring. As a reminder, cloth face coverings should not be placed on young children younger than 2;
- Limiting the sharing of equipment.

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

If someone does get sick during camp, we have plans in place to isolate the camper, contact parents, and if necessary, transport that person to their home or healthcare facility. 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. A health care professional will be here during all camp hours as mandated by the New Jersey Health Dept., Division of Youth Camps.

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

Thank you and stay healthy,

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