



HOOFBEATS WITH HEART
Equine Assisted Activities & Therapy Center

Mail to: P.O. Box 2098 Physical Address: 5079 S. 156th St.
Higley, AZ 85236 Gilbert, AZ 85298
www.hoofbeatswithheart.org

2009 STUDENT/RIDER REGISTRATION FORM

Limited spaces are available and are reserved on a first come, first served basis. The balance of the six week session fee is due on or before the first day of the session. No rider will be permitted to ride until full payment is received. You may visit our website or contact the site office for an application.

Student Information

Student: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____
Street Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____
Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____
Email: _____ Height: _____ Weight: _____ Gender: [M] [F]
School or Institution Attending: _____
Student's Disability (Primary/Secondary): _____
Seizures: [Y] [N] Controlled: _____ Date of Last Seizure: _____
Parent/Legal Guardian: _____ Email: _____
Address (if different than above): _____
Positive Reinforcers: _____
How did you hear about Hoofbeats with Heart? _____
Please state a few personal goals you would like to achieve through our programs: _____

Is there anything you'd like to share with us about the student? _____

Emergency Contact Information

Name (1st): _____ Phone: _____ Relationship: _____
Name (2nd): _____ Phone: _____ Relationship: _____

Billing Information

Primary Contact: _____ Phone: _____ Relationship: _____
Street: _____ City/State: _____ Zip: _____
Alternate Phone: _____ Email: _____

Photo Release

I hereby consent to and authorize the use and reproduction by Hoofbeats with Heart ~ Equine Assisted Activities and Therapy Center of any and all photographs and any other audio/visual materials taken of me/my son/my daughter/my ward for promotional printed material, internet web site, and educational activities or for any other use for the benefit of the program.

Signature: _____ Date: _____
Client, Volunteer, Parent or Guardian (if volunteer is under 18, Parent/Guardian must sign)

For Office Use Only

Session #: _____ Day: _____ Time: _____ Instructor: _____
Deposit Received: _____ Amount Due: _____ Amount Received: _____
Received By: _____



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AUTHORIZATION FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL TREATMENT

In the event emergency medical aid/treatment is required due to illness or injury during the process of receiving services, volunteering or while on the property of the agency, I authorize Hoofbeats with Heart ~ Equine Assisted Activities and Therapy Center to:

1. Secure and retain medical treatment and transportation if needed.
2. Release client records upon request to the authorized individual or agency involved in the medical emergency treatment.

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____
 Street Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____
 Phone: _____ Alternate Phone: _____ Email: _____

Consent Plan

This authorization includes X-rays, surgery, hospitalization, medication and any treatment procedure deemed "life-saving" by the physician. This provision will only be invoked if the person below is unable to be reached.

Date: _____ Consent Signature: _____
Client, Volunteer, Parent or Guardian (if volunteer is under 18, Parent/Guardian must sign)

Print Name: _____

Emergency Contact Information

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Relationship: _____

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Relationship: _____

Physician: _____ Phone: _____

Preferred Medical Facility: _____

Health Insurance Carrier: _____ Policy #: _____

Allergies, Medical Conditions & Medications (please list any pertinent medical issues, special situations, seizure activity, etc.): _____

Non-Consent Plan

I **DO NOT** give my permission for emergency medical aid/treatment if required due to illness or injury during the process of receiving services, volunteering or while on the property of the agency. In the event emergency aid/treatment is required, I wish the following procedures to take place:

Date: _____ Non-Consent Signature: _____
Client, Volunteer, Parent or Guardian (if volunteer is under 18, Parent/Guardian must sign)

Print Name: _____

Privacy Statement

At Hoofbeats with Heart, we take your privacy very seriously. All information provided to us is held in the strictest confidence and security. We will never trade, sell or rent your personal information to anyone under any circumstance! Your personal information, such as your address and email, will only be used by Hoofbeats with Heart for event, volunteer, program, etc. announcements.



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STUDENT/RIDER'S MEDICAL HISTORY AND PHYSICIAN'S STATEMENT

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Height: _____ Weight: _____

Street: _____ City/State: _____ Zip: _____

Diagnosis: _____ Date of onset: _____

Past/Prospective Surgeries: _____

Seizure Type: _____ Controlled: Yes [] No [] Date of Last Seizure: _____

Shunt Present: Yes [] No [] Date of Last Revision: _____

Special Precautions/Needs: _____

Current Medications: _____

Allergies: _____

Mobility: Independent Ambulation? Yes [] No [] Assisted Ambulation? Yes [] No [] Wheelchair? Yes [] No []

Braces/Assisted Devices: _____

Please indicate current deficits in the following systems/areas. Please include surgeries (if Yes, please comment):

	Y	N	Comments
Auditory			
Visual			
Tactile Sensation			
Speech			
Cardiac			
Circulatory			
Integumentary/Skin			
Immunity			
Pulmonary			
Neurologic			
Muscular			
Balance			
Orthopedic			
Allergies			
Learning Skills			
Cognitive			
Emotional/Psychological			
Pain Tolerance			
Other			

For those with Down Syndrome: Atlanto Dens Interval X-rays: Date: _____ Result: + --- (circle one)

Neurologic Symptoms of Atlanto Axial Instability:



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PHYSICIAN'S RELEASE

Student/Rider's Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

The following conditions, if present, may represent precautions and contraindications to Therapeutic Horseback Riding. **Please circle below any of the following conditions present:**

ORTHOPEDIC

- Spinal Fusion
- Spinal Instabilities/Abnormalities
- Atlantoaxial Instabilities
- Scoliosis (please indicate degree _____)
- Kyphosis
- Lordosis
- Hip Subluxation & Dislocation
- Osteoporosis
- Pathologic Fractures
- Coxas Arthrosis
- Heterotopic Ossification
- Osteogenesis Imperfecta
- Cranial Deficits
- Spinal Orthoses
- Internal Spinal Stabilization Devices

MEDICAL/SURGICAL

- Allergies
- Cancer
- Poor Endurance
- Recent Surgery
- Diabetes
- Peripheral Vascular Disease
- Varicose Veins
- Hemophilia
- Hypertension
- Serious Heart Condition
- Stroke (CVA)

SECONDARY CONCERNS

- Behavior Problems
- Age Less Than Two Years
- Age Two-Four Years
- Acute Exacerbation of Chronic Disorder
- Indwelling Catheter

NEUROLOGIC

- Hydrocephalus/shunt
- Spina Bifida
- Tethered Cord
- Chiari II Malformation
- Hydromyelia
- Paralysis Due to Spinal Cord Injury
- Seizure Disorder

Physician Statement

To my knowledge there is no reason why the above named patient can not participate in supervised equestrian activities. However, I understand that Hoofbeats with Heart ~ Equine Assisted Activities and Therapy Center will weigh the medical information above against any existing precautions and/or contraindications before accepting this individual for Therapeutic Horseback Riding lessons. I concur with a review of this individual's abilities/limitations by a licensed/credentialed health professional (e.g. Physical, Occupational, Speech Therapist, Psychotherapist, etc.) in the implementation of a safe and effective equestrian program.

Physician Signature: _____ Date: _____

Print Name: _____ Phone: _____

Street: _____ City/State: _____ Zip: _____

PLEASE NOTE: THIS FORM IS VALID FOR A PERIOD OF ONE YEAR FROM THE DATE SIGNED AND MUST HOLD THE ORIGINAL PHYSICIAN SIGNATURE. STUDENT CAN NOT PARTICIPATE IN ANY EQUINE ASSISTED ACTIVITY OR THERAPY UNTIL HOOFBEATS WITH HEART RECEIVES ALL SIGNED AND COMPLETED DOCUMENTS.



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LIABILITY RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING

SERIOUS INJURY MAY RESULT FROM YOUR PARTICIPATION IN THIS ACTIVITY.

A. REGISTRATION OF STUDENT/RIDER AND AGREEMENT PURPOSE AND CONSIDERATION - In consideration of my enrollment in the Hoofbeats with Heart ~ Equine Assisted Activities and Therapies program and the signing of this agreement, I, the following listed individual and the parents or legal guardians thereof if a minor, do hereby voluntarily request and agree to participate in activities and events at THIS STABLE. PARTICIPANT shall ride a school horse provided by THIS STABLE for lesson purposes today and on all future dates. This agreement shall be legally binding upon the PARTICIPANT and the parents or legal guardians thereof if a minor, my heirs, estate, assigns, including minor children and personal representatives. It shall be interpreted according to the laws of the state and county of THIS STABLE'S physical location. Any disputes by the rider shall be litigated in and venue shall be in the county in which THIS STABLE is located.

B. INFORMATION ABOUT STUDENT/RIDER:

Name: _____ **D.O.B:** _____ **Age:** _____

Address: _____

C. DEFINITIONS – The term "THIS STABLE" shall herein refer to Hoofbeats with Heart ~ Equine Assisted Activities and Therapies, its Board of Directors, Instructors, volunteers and employees. The term "HORSEBACK RIDING" or "RIDING" shall herein refer to riding or otherwise handling of horses whether from the ground or mounted. The term "HORSE" shall herein refer to all equine species. The terms "PARTICIPANT" and/or "STUDENT/RIDER" shall herein refer to a person who rides a horse mounted or otherwise handles or comes near a horse from the ground. The terms "I", "Me", "My", "Participant", and "Rider" shall herein refer to the above registered rider and the parents or legal guardians thereof if a minor.

D. ACTIVITY RISK CLASSIFICATION, INHERENT RISKS AND NATURE OF THE HORSE WARNING -

Horseback riding is classified as a RUGGED ADVENTURE RECREATIONAL SPORT ACTIVITY. There are numerous obvious and non-obvious inherent risks always present in such activity despite all safety precautions. According to NEISS (National Electronic Injury Surveillance Systems of United States Consumer Products) horse activities rank approximately 64th among the activities of people relative to injuries that result in a stay at U.S. hospitals. Related injuries can be severe requiring more hospital days and resulting in more lasting residual effects than injuries in other activities. **NO HORSE IS A COMPLETELY SAFE HORSE.** Horses are 5 to 15 times larger, 20 to 40 times more powerful and 3 to 4 times faster than a human is. If a rider falls from a horse to the ground it will generally be at a distance of from 3 1/2 to 5 1/2 feet and the impact may result in injury or death to the rider. Horseback riding is the only sport where one much smaller, weaker predator animal, the human, tries to control and become one unit of movement with another much larger, stronger prey animal, the horse, with each having a limited understanding of the other. If a horse is frightened or provoked it may divert from its training and act according to its natural survival instincts which may include but are not limited to: stopping short; changing directions or speed at will; shifting its weight from side to side, bucking, rearing, biting, kicking or running from perceived danger.

E. STUDENT/RIDER ACCEPTANCE OF RESPONSIBILITY - PARTICIPANT AGREES that he/she has in some way satisfied himself that the condition of the premises and the facilities will provide an adequate and reasonable level of safety for PARTICIPANT. THIS STABLE is not responsible for any property damage, injury or loss of life incurred by or as a result of any horse(s) on this premises to PARTICIPANT. **PARTICIPANT IS AWARE OF THE RISKS AND DANGERS OF THIS ACTIVITY AND AGREES TO ACCEPT RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANY AND ALL INCIDENTS OCCURRING DURING THIS ACTIVITY.**

F. CONDITIONS OF NATURE - THIS STABLE is not responsible for total or partial acts, occurrences, or elements of nature that can scare a horse, cause it to fall or react in some other unsafe way. *SOME EXAMPLES ARE:* Thunder, lightening, rain and wind. Wild and domestic animals, insects, reptiles which may walk, run, fly near, bite or sting a horse or person; and irregular footing on indoor and out of door groomed or wild land which is subject to constant change in condition according to weather, temperature and natural or man-made changes in landscape.

G. ACCIDENTAL/MEDICAL INSURANCE - Should emergency medical treatment be required, I and/or my own medical insurance company shall pay all such incurred expenses. My accidental/medical insurance company is: _____ My policy # _____

H. RIDING HELMET WARNING - RIDER is hereby warned and informed by THIS STABLE that all horse handlers and riders should wear a properly fitted and secured protective EQUESTRIAN riding helmet that meets ASTM standards. Such helmets are available at THIS STABLE; however, THIS STABLE recommends the PARTICIPANT purchase their own helmet to receive the benefit of a custom fit. Wearing such headgear while mounting, riding, dismounting, and being around horses may prevent death or reduce the severity of head injuries resulting from a fall or other incident involving a horse. THIS STABLE abides by the NARHA Helmet Standards and requires children under the age of 14 to wear an ASTM approved EQUESTRIAN helmet when mounted at all times.

I. LIABILITY RELEASE - In consideration of THIS STABLE allowing my participation in this activity, under the terms set forth herein, I, the PARTICIPANT and the parent or guardian thereof if a minor, do agree to hold harmless and release THIS STABLE, its Board of Directors, instructors, agents, volunteers, employees, officers, members, affiliated organizations and insurers from legal liability due to THIS STABLE'S ordinary negligence. I do further agree that except in the event of THIS STABLE'S gross and willful negligence, I shall bring no claims, demands, actions, causes of action and/or litigation against THIS STABLE and its associates as stated above in this clause, for any economic and non-economic losses due to bodily injury, death, property damage, sustained by me and/or my minor child or legal ward in relation to the premises and operations of THIS STABLE. This Includes while riding, handling, or otherwise being near horses owned by or in the care, custody and control of THIS STABLE or on the property of THIS STABLE for any reasons.

J. BREACH OF CONTRACT- Should either party breach this contract, the breaching party shall pay for the other's court costs and attorney fees related to such breach.

ALL RIDERS, PARENTS, LEGAL GUARDIANS OR AUTHORIZED AGENTS FOR SUCH PARTIES MUST SIGN BELOW AFTER READING THIS ENTIRE DOCUMENT.

STATEMENT OF AWARENESS AND CONFIDENTIALITY

I/WE the undersigned, have read and do understand the foregoing agreement, warnings, assumption of risk and release agreement. I/WE further attest that all stated facts are true and accurate.

Client/Volunteer/Parent/Guardian (Please Print): _____

Client/Volunteer/Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Client, Volunteer, Parent or Guardian (if volunteer is under 18, Parent/Guardian must sign)

State of Arizona

Title 12. Courts and Civil Proceedings. Chapter 5. Limitations of Actions. Article 3. Personal Actions. § 12-553. Limited liability of equine owners and owners of equine facilities; exception; definitions.

Citation: AZ ST § 12-553

Citation: A. R. S. § 12-553

Summary: This Arizona statute provides that an equine agent or owner is not liable for injury if the participant took control of the equine prior to injury, if a parent or guardian signed a release on behalf of a minor, if the owner or agent has properly installed suitable tack or the participant has personally tacked the equine, or the owner or agent assigns a suitable equine based on a reasonable interpretation of the person's representation of his or her skills, health and experience with and knowledge of equines. Liability is not limited, however, when an equine owner or agent is grossly negligent or commits willful, wanton or intentional acts or omissions.



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PARTICIPANT CONSENT FOR RELEASE OF INFORMATION

I hereby authorize:

(Person or Facility)

To release information from the records of:

(Participant Name)

D.O.B.: _____

This information is to be released to Hoofbeats with Heart ~ Equine Assisted Activities and Therapies for the purpose of developing an equine assisted activity program for the above named participant. The information to be released is checked below.

- Physical, Occupational and Speech therapy evaluations, and program plan.
- Classroom Individual Education Plan
- Cognitive Behavioral Management Plan
- Other

(Please Print Name or Parent/Guardian)

Date: _____

(Signature of Parent/Guardian)

Date: _____

Client, Volunteer, Parent or Guardian (if volunteer is under 18, Parent/Guardian must sign)

Please send the information indicated above to:

Equine Program Director
Hoofbeats with Heart ~ Equine Activities and Therapies
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POLICIES AND PROGRAM RULES

1. PAPERWORK

- All paperwork and fees MUST be received by the office prior to the beginning of the riding session. There will be NO exceptions.
- The Student/Rider Registration Form and the \$60 deposit per session MUST be received prior to you/your child receiving confirmation of a scheduled class. Full payment MUST be received before the first class of the session.

2. LESSONS

- To accommodate everyone, lessons must start on time. Anyone arriving 15 minutes late will participate in stable work only. Anyone arriving more than 25 minutes late will forfeit the lesson entirely and will not be reimbursed.
- If a rider can not attend class for any reason once the session has started, there will be no refunds.
- Parents/Guardians or counselors must remain on the premises during the rider's scheduled class.
- For safety reasons, Hoofbeats with Heart has established a rider weight limit of 180 lbs. Riders over 180 cannot be accommodated and may, however, participate in our Equine Facilitated Learning program, Connections.
- At NO time may an individual enter an arena where lessons are in progress, unless otherwise authorized by the certified instructor and liability forms are complete and signed.

3. CLOTHING

- Long pants should be worn during lessons regardless of weather.
- Preferably, riders should wear a boot or shoes with a heel. All footwear must have a closed heel and toe (NO clogs, sandals, flip-flops, etc.). This policy applies for riders riding in a bareback pad, English or Western saddles.

4. RIDER'S CONDITION

- The Equine Program Director and Instructors must have current information about all elements of your child's condition in order to be able to provide the most effective instruction and ensure the safety of all participants. Please keep us informed of any changes in you/your child's condition or medication.

5. BARN RULES

- Children and guests of riders must be supervised and must adhere to the rules and policies at all times.
- No child under the age of 14 will be allowed in the barn/horse area without supervision.
- All children under the age of 14 and all students/riders in the program must wear a helmet at all times when in the barn area.
- There is absolutely no hand feeding of the horses; please advise a staff member if you brought horse treats and they will supervise and accommodate you/your child.
- No one is permitted on the property unless a staff member is on the premises.
- No running or screaming.
- No one may enter a pasture containing horses.
- No outside pets (i.e. dogs, cats, etc.) are allowed on the property.
- Infectious diseases (if you have equines yourself): please be considerate of our therapy horses – some equine diseases are contagious (i.e. strangles) and we would not want that brought into the barn area.

6. GENERAL

- No abusive, threatening or violent behavior will be tolerated from ANYONE for ANY REASON.
- Absolutely NO SMOKING on the property.
- Report all accidents, injuries or hazardous conditions to a staff member as soon as possible.
- Parking is permitted in designated areas of the property and handicapped parking is permitted in spaces on the right-side (close to the South entrance). Please drive slowly (5 mph), as classes may still be in progress.
- The restroom is located inside the Main Tack Building on the North, west end of the property.

POSSIBLE REASONS FOR CLIENT DISCHARGE

1. Uncontrolled and inappropriate behavior that constitutes a safety risk to staff, volunteers and/or therapy horses.
2. Client weight exceeds that which can safely be managed by staff, volunteers and/or therapy horses.
3. Any change in client's medical, physical, cognitive or emotional condition that makes Therapeutic Riding inappropriate.



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DISMISSAL OF VOLUNTEERS AND GUESTS FROM CENTER ACTIVITIES

Hoofbeats with Heart ~ Equine Assisted Activity and Therapy Center relies greatly on volunteers as important members of the team who provide services to and assist our clients. We also recognize the extreme importance of the safety and well-being of our clients, volunteers, staff, guests and animals.

All volunteers and guests (Guests = siblings, parents, other relatives, friends, HAB providers, counselors, etc.) are expected to follow Hoofbeats with Heart's (HBwH) rules and policies and may not engage in disruptive, unsafe or inappropriate behavior. In the event a volunteer or guest does not comply, **the following actions may be taken:**

Level 1 Verbal Warning
Breaking of HBwH's rules and/or policies and procedures may be followed by a verbal warning from the Equine Program Director, Executive Director or any Board Member and be documented in the incident report book.

Level 2 Written Warning
Breaking of HBwH's rules and/or policies and procedures for a second time will be followed by a Personnel/Staff meeting for discussion regarding the infraction. The purpose of the meeting is to determine the exact reason the infraction occurred for second time and discuss with the volunteer/guest how to avoid the circumstance ever occurring again. This meeting will be documented and placed in the incident report book.

Level 3 Dismissal from organization
Immediate dismissal from the property and organization will occur for:

- Endangering the safety of others
- Inappropriate use of the facilities, mailing lists or monies
- Disruptive or abusive behavior to the animals or individuals at HBwH
- Repeated disregard of the organizations rules, policies and procedures
- Possession of a weapon, illegal drugs or paraphernalia
- Being under the influence of alcohol or drugs

Please cut the bottom, signed portion and return with your registration forms. Keep the above for your reference and records.

DISMISSAL OF VOLUNTEERS AND GUESTS FROM CENTER ACTIVITIES

I have read and understand the policies and program rules by which Hoofbeats with Heart ~ Equine Assisted Activities and Therapy Center, operates. By signing below, I indicate my willingness to abide by these rules and policies. I further understand that failure to comply with these policies and rules result in discharge from the program.

Client/Volunteer/Parent/Guardian (Please Print): _____

Client/Volunteer/Parent/Guardian Signature: _____
Client, Volunteer, Parent or Guardian (if volunteer is under 18, Parent/Guardian must sign)