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Dear Horse Lover and Those Supporting Them,

You're coming to our horse camp! We're so excited! Here are some things you and your folks should know about the BRIDGES Fun With Horses Camps:

WHAT TO WEAR:

- Long pants down to your shoes. No capris or shorts. Please no tacks or brads on your back pockets that could scratch the saddles.
- Shoes should be hard shoes so if it gets under a horse's foot your toes will be ok! We have plenty of toes of our own, we don't need yours. We do have a limited amount of boots to loan out.
- Shirts with sleeves, short or long is fine. We will give you a BRIDGES EQUESTRIAN shirt on your first day which we hope you'll wear! If you would like additional shirts, they are available for \$15 each. No spaghetti straps or tank tops. Shirts need to be tucked long enough to cover your belt-line when you're bent over.
- A hat. It can be very sunny at our barn. Although we will be riding in the covered arena, we will be traveling around and working in the sun as well.
- Sun Screen. Lots of sun-screen in the summer time. We have some if you forget.
- A light jacket, sweater or sweatshirt in the spring/winter

WHAT TO BRING:

- A water bottle. We at BRIDGES are ecology minded and would prefer to use reusable sports bottles. There will be a water cooler for refills.
- We will provide a snack and water/juice. If your camper would like something different or additional, feel free to send it along with them. We are sorry, but we cannot always accommodate food allergies or sensitivities, so if your camper has special requirements, please send snacks along.

WHERE TO GO: (we're only 2 minutes from the freeway off-ramp)

****DO NOT USE IPHONE NAVIGATION****
(it will take you to some random place on Golden Lantern)

- 5 Fwy, get off on Junipero Serra, go West (a right if you were traveling southbound, a left if you were traveling northbound)
- The road dead-ends at Camino Capistrano, go left.
- The first signal is Oso Road, turn Right
- Two blocks up is Sycamore Trails Stables, on your left.
- Turn in (you should see our signs now for Bridges Training Stable), and follow the signs to the back parking lot.
- Walk straight back until you see the LARGE covered arena (not the small one by the parking lot)
- Call the number above if you're lost and we'll guide you in. (If you get to the Mission, or Avery Parkway, you're lost. Go back.)
- There should be signs out; green and white with a big grinning Palomino on them.

WHAT WE'LL BE DOING: (this is subject to change... sometimes we get something special!)

MORNING CAMP

- 9:00 – 9:30 Barn Chores (Feeding, cleaning, grooming, water buckets, etc)
- 9:30 – 10:00 Getting ready to Ride (Tacking and grooming)
- 10:00 – 11:00 First Group Rides (45 minute lesson)
Second Group does Horse Care Clinic (parts of horse/tack, lunging, vet, shoeing, ect)
- 11:00 – 12:00 Second Group Rides (45 minute lesson)
First Group does Horse Care Clinic
- 12:00 - 12:30 Baths and un-tacking; barn chores.

- 12:30 – 1:00 Lunch for staff and those staying all day

AFTERNOON OF HORSES

- 1:00 – 1:30 Grooming & Tacking for second lesson
- 1:30 – 1:45 Second Lesson (45 Minutes)
- 1:45 – 2:15 Un-tack and baths (sorry, just the horses... we return the kids nice and grubby)
- 2:15 – 4:30 Snack, barn chores, crafts, clinics, treasure hunt, that sort of campy-stuff.

Whew! That's a lot in a very short time! In order to keep on schedule we ask the following of your folks:

- If there are any special health issues or concerns, please bring them to the camp director's attention PRIOR to camp. There are very few things we cannot deal with, but we don't want to disappoint anyone.
- Included with this note is a Liability Release. Horseback Riding is a sport and there is risk involved. Please read the release, fill it out, and bring with you first day. We have more if you forget.
- Sorry, no un-enrolled friends or family members at camp. Spectators are welcome in our spectator area, or you can watch from your car next to the arena. Please no dogs.
- If you're going to be late to camp, please call the director at the number above. Missed days will give you a credit of a riding lesson in the regular BRIDGES lesson program, to be made at your convenience, schedule permitting. Please see our "missed day policy" on our website.

Ok! That's it! We look forward to seeing you Monday morning first day of camp!

Horsefully yours,

Ruthanna Bridges

Director, BRIDGES EQUESTRIAN Inc

After-hours:

Parents, PLEASE pick your child up right after camp, unless you've signed up for our extended day program. Our staff has only a short break for lunch before they start working our regular program. If they miss lunch, or have to stay late, they get very crabby. Just like the horses. I'm truly sorry to be so stiff about this, but it has been our ONLY problem with camps in the past. Thank you for understanding.

We can accommodate children from 8am – 9am, 12:30 - 6, and 4:30-6:00pm with prior arrangement, for a charge of \$20 per hour (no riding) and \$10 more for lunch if required. If children are not picked up by the designated time, a charge of \$30 per hour, or any part of an hour, will be incurred. Charges will be made to the payment method used to enroll for camp, on a daily basis. Children with unpaid child care fees will not be allowed to ride last day of camp.

We also have an “Afternoon of Horses” program you can add to your morning for \$95 for 12:00-4:30 (space permitting) Another whole ride included!

Cancellation Policy:

Camps are non-refundable after purchase, however we will always do our best to accommodate a change.

Cancellations:

Cancellations up to 30 days prior to the camp date will receive a full credit toward another Bridges Equestrian service.

Cancellations made 7 - 29 days prior to the start of camp will receive credit toward any Bridges Equestrian service, less a \$50 cancellation fee

Reschedules:

Reschedules made up to 30 days prior to the camp can be made at no cost.

Reschedules made 7 - 29 days prior to the first day of camp, may be made for a \$50 rescheduling fee, space permitting.



BRIDGES EQUESTRIAN, Inc.

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RELEASE & WAIVER OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

READ THIS AGREEMENT CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING IT. YOUR SIGNATURE INDICATES YOUR UNDERSTANDING OF AND AGREEMENT TO ITS TERMS. BY SIGNING THIS AGREEMENT, YOU (AND YOUR CHILD) ARE GIVING UP CERTAIN LEGAL RIGHTS, INCLUDING THE RIGHT TO RECOVER DAMAGES IN CASE OF INJURY, DEATH OR PROPERTY DAMAGE FOR ANY REASON INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE TRAINERS, THE STABLE, ITS OWNERS, EMPLOYEES, CLINICIANS AND AGENTS.

It is understood that BRIDGES EQUESTRIAN, Inc (abbreviated in this document as BEI) includes all trainers, instructors, assistants, agents, stable personnel or other students acting on behalf or in conjunction with BRIDGES EQUESTRIAN, Inc. in the instruction of the undersigned student or authorized guardian of student.

I, (Your Name) _____ (and my Minor Child) _____ (hereinafter the "Undersigned) reside at
(Street Address) _____ in (City), _____ (State, Zip) _____.
(Home Phone) _____ Mobile Phone: _____ Email: _____.

In consideration for allowing, me (or my minor child) to handle and ride a horse and on behalf of myself, my child, or our personal representatives, heirs, next-of-kin, spouses and assigns, THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY:

1. Acknowledge that a horse or mule may, without warning or any apparent cause, buck, stumble, fall, rear, bite, kick, run, buck, make unpredictable movements, spook, jump obstacles, step on a person's feet, push or shove a person, saddles or bridles may loosen or break - all of which may cause the rider to fall or be jolted resulting in serious injury or death to the undersigned or any person within close proximity of a horse.
2. ACKNOWLEDGE THAT HORSEBACK RIDING, THE HANDLING OF A HORSE, OR BEING IN CLOSE PROXIMITY TO A HORSE IS AN INHERENTLY DANGEROUS ACTIVITY AND INVOLVES RISKS THAT MAY CAUSE SERIOUS INJURY AND IN SOME CASES DEATH because of the unpredictable nature and irrational behavior of horses, regardless of their training or past performance.
3. Voluntarily assume the risk and danger of injury or death inherent in the handling or riding of the horse, or being in close proximity to a horse or on the premises of the stable, or the failure to wear a protective helmet when riding a horse, or the use of saddles, bridles, equipment and gear provided by BEI and/or its agents.
4. RELEASE, DISCHARGE AND PROMISE NOT TO SUE BEI for any loss, damage, injury (including death) or cost to me or my child arising out of the handling or riding of a horse or being in close proximity to a horse or on the premises of the stable or the failure to wear a protective helmet when riding a horse, and use of saddles, bridles, equipment and gear provided by riding school.
5. Release BEI from any claim that BEI was negligent in connection with my or my child's riding a horse including but not limited to training or selecting horses, maintenance, care, fit or adjustment of saddles or bridles, instruction on riding skills or leading and supervising riders or the use of any equipment provided by the BEI or being on the premises of the stable, which resulted in loss, damages, injury or death.
6. INDEMNIFY, AND SAVE AND HOLD HARMLESS BEI from and against any loss, liability, damage or cost they may incur arising out of or in any connected with either my or my child's handling or riding the horse or being in close proximity to a horse or on the premises of the stable or the failure to wear a protective helmet when riding a horse and/or and use of saddles, bridles, equipment and gear provided therewith from or contributed to by my or my child's own negligence.
7. Agree to abide by and follow any instructions given or rules established by BEI or any of its trainers, instructors, assistants, employees, agents, clinicians, guides or wranglers with regard to my or my child's riding or handling of the horse or being in close proximity to a horse or on the premises of the stable or the failure to wear a protective helmet when riding a horse or any saddles, bridles, equipment and gear provided herewith.
8. Agree that the Undersigned has read and understands the following language of Section 1542 of the California Civil Code which provides "A general release does not extend to claims which the Creditor does not know or suspect to exist in his favor at the time of executing the release which, if known by him, must have materially affected his settlement with the Debtor." Having reviewed this provision, the Undersigned nevertheless voluntarily releases BEI from all liability for claims arising out of the matters set forth herein. The Undersigned understand the word "claims" to include all actions, claims and grievances, whether actual or potential, known or unknown, and specifically but nonexclusively, all claims arising out of the matters set forth herein. All claims are forever barred by this release without regard to whether those claims are based on the alleged breach of duty arising under contract or in tort or any other claims or cause of action.
9. The Undersigned expressly agrees that the foregoing release and waiver of liability, assumption of risk, and indemnity agreement is governed by laws of the State of California and is intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted by California law, and that in the event any portion of this Agreement is determined to be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable for any reason, the balance of the Agreement shall not be affected or impaired in any way and shall continue in full legal force and effect.
10. Acknowledge that this document is a contract and agree that if a lawsuit is filed against the Trainer(s), Instructors, Assistants, the Stable or its owners, agents, employees, clinicians, guides or wranglers for any injury or damage in breach of this contract, the Undersigned will pay all attorney's fees and costs incurred by the Stable in defending such an action.
11. ACKNOWLEDGE THAT WEARING OF A PROTECTIVE HELMET IS REQUIRED, AND ONE HAS BEEN OFFERED FOR MY OWN OR MY CHILD'S SAFETY, OR PROVIDED BY MYSELF.

I have read this document, I understand it is a promise not to sue, and to release and indemnify the Trainer(s), the Stable, its owners, employees and agents for all claims. I have made a free and deliberate choice to sign the Release and Waiver as a condition to BEI allowing me or my child to ride or handle a horse. I have concluded that the risks involved and the Release and Waiver of Liability is worth the pleasure of horseback riding experience and acknowledges that the same is valuable consideration for this Release and Waiver of Liability.

Date: _____ Signature: _____ Print Name: _____



BARN RULES

"My Barn, My Rules"

- Follow the Sycamore Trails Stables Rules. (they have their reasons)
- All observers must stay in the observation area. (Yes, this includes parents)
- Children under the age of 8 must be within arm's reach of an attending adult at all times. (If we have to grab 'em, we get to keep 'em)
- No friends or family under the age of 18 without an attending adult. (It makes us responsible. Our child-care service rate is \$75 an hour. Please make appointment)
- Do not feed the horses in the cross ties. (They get jealous and grabby)
- No visiting dogs in the tacking, observation or barn area. (It distracts the horses/riders and can cause issues with other dogs)
- Keep arms, legs and cameras out of the arena. (It can distract and spook the horses and riders)
- Please do not address the arena instructor or any of the riders except in an emergency. (The instructor will be happy to talk to you after the lesson, and your rider needs to look to us for their guidance)
- In the event you will be late, call the BRIDGES number (949) 413-0591. Staff permitting, we may be able to tack your horse for you (additional \$5 charge). Otherwise, student will have to "catch up" to the class, and may lose riding time. Students will not be admitted into a class more than 10 minutes after the start of class without prior arrangement (i.e. that aforementioned pesky phone call).
- BRIDGES riders and helpers (under the age of 18) are to stay in the BRIDGES area and not wander off. (If you're here to help, then you need to be nearby. If you are here for a lesson, you must stay in the BRIDGES area until you are picked up, or in the front office after dark if the BRIDGES staff has gone for the day)
- No children under the age of 16 left after dark without an attending adult. (Talk to the instructor before the lesson if ride will be late picking up. There is a front office that is open until 7 where children can stay until then if there is no BRIDGES staff at the back area.)

Sycamore Trails Stables Rules

(As they appear in the Sycamore Trails Boarding Agreement)

General Rules:

- a. Use of stable is limited to Boarders (and trainers), family members & guests ONLY.
- b. Boarder is responsible for conduct, liability and safety of guest at all times.
- c. Behave. No alcohol, narcotics, damage, destruction, abuse of animals or persons.

Facility Use Rules:

1. No trotting or running horses in the stable
2. No riding on the trails alone. Use buddy system.
3. No obscene language
4. Minor children must be kept under constant supervision of parent or guardian.
5. No riding double
6. No glass containers
7. Stall cleaning materials to be left in corner of stall, not in barn aisle.
8. No riding on halters. Use headstall with proper control devices.
9. No stallions on property.
10. Speed limit 5 mph. Park in designated parking areas only.
11. No smoking within 30 feet of barns

Arena Rules:

1. When entering the arena, make sure you are seen and wait for a break in traffic.
2. Horses or riders who are obviously inexperienced or are having difficulty deserve the right of way and lots of space. When you overtake someone from behind, pass them wide, about a horse length away, more if the horse is obviously upset by your move. When you meet someone head on, pass left hand to left hand, at a comfortable distance.
3. Do not stop on the rail for anything but schooling, and then only briefly. Faster traffic should pass to the inside track.
4. No jumping at any time without protective headgear (hard hat), shoes with heels and full tack.
5. Please do not sit, stand or climb on or near the arena rails.

These rules apply equally to Guests, Students and family.

THANK YOU!