

Breeze Haven Farm



Brandi's

Equestrian Riding Academy

"Where horses and families come together."

New Student Packet

Contact Information

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Barn Hours

Sunday: Closed

Mondays: Closed

Tuesdays through Saturdays: By appointment only

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Brandis Equestrian Riding Academy Levels
Program

Brandi's Equestrian Riding Academy provides a safe and encouraging environment for beginners through advanced riders of all ages. Through practice and dedication, a rider can learn both skills on and off the horse. These programs have been designed to develop riders' goals through a variety of exercises while teaching some skills and rider development in different ways. These programs promote building confidence, motivation, discipline, coordination, focus, and understanding of oneself all while still having fun and building a partnership with horses.

Factors such as age, coordination, strength, frequency of lessons, and attention span will impact students' skill advancement. Progress is best achieved through consistent instruction and practice rides; skills typically improve exponentially with additional weekly rides. However, for many riders progress is seen in other forms of everyday life almost immediately such as confidence, coordination, and problem solving.

Our program allows students to follow the riding skills and the horse management programs. However, to graduate each level the student must complete both the riding and horse management portions of the levels to move on. Students are encouraged to study materials on their own as well as attend horsemanship lessons to continue their learning. There will be testing days along with graduation ceremonies throughout the year. Ribbons and certificates will be awarded as student's progress to the levels.

We are excited to be a part of each student's equestrian journey!

Welcome to the Program!



Brandi's Equestrian Riding Academy Cancellation Policy

We at Brandi's Equestrian Riding Academy (BERA) strive to provide the best possible instruction to our students. Your lesson time has been reserved especially for you.

We do understand that emergencies can happen, and at times an appointment may need to be cancelled or rescheduled. Should this occur, we request that a minimum of 24 hours' notice be given. In the event that 24 hours' notice is not given, the following applies:

- The first cancellation with less than 24 hours' notice is noted, but not penalized.
- Future cancellations with less than 24 hours' notice will be charged accordingly.
- Make up lessons must be completed within 30 days of the missed lesson, or the missed lesson is forfeited.
- If a rescheduled make up is canceled, it will be forfeited.

Please be advised that missed appointments that are not canceled prior to the start of the appointment will be charged for as well.

We appreciate your understanding in this matter.

Clothing and Equipment

All riders/students need to have proper fitting helmets. A new rider may borrow a school helmet but if they decide to continue in their lessons, it is very important for them to purchase a properly fitting equestrian helmet after their first few lessons.

For the safety of the student, they must wear properly fitting shoes with a small heel. Non-sport specific shoes with a heel may be worn during the first few lessons, but if the student decides to a longer commitment to riding it is important to purchase a pair of riding boots. These can either be paddock boots with half chaps or tall riding boots, all of which can be purchased at a tack shop or online.

Comfortable pants again are a must. Jeans are okay but breeches are encouraged.

Rider Checklist

- Riding gloves (recommended not required)
- Paddock Riding boots or tall riding boots
- $\frac{1}{2}$ chaps (recommended with paddock boots for better grip)
- Breeches
- Riding helmet
- No spaghetti straps (to protect shoulders from scrapes and sun burns!)
- Close fitting shirts and jackets to observe a rider's form.
- Hair tied back in low ponytail or braid.
- No gum or hard candy

Horse Safety

How to be safe around a barn and horses is the first thing you will learn when you start riding lessons. Horses average about 1200 lbs. and are very strong! Here are the most basic safety rules for riders and guests to follow at the barn.

- Be calm and quiet. Sudden moves can cause a horse to shy (jump sideways) or kick.
- Never stand directly behind a horse unless you want to get kicked!
- Feed with a flat hand – horses can mistake fingers for carrots.
- Wear sturdy shoes or boots that protect your feet. No sandals or thin shoes that leave toes or heels exposed. This rule goes for anyone around the horses.
- The safest place to stand is beside your horse's shoulder where you can see each other.
- Watch your horse's eyes and ears. Horses will tell you how they are feeling by how they move their eyes and ears.



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RELEASE OF LIABILITY

This RELEASE OF LIABILITY is made and entered into on this _____ day of _____, 20____, by and between BRANDI'S EQUESTRIAN RIDING ACADEMY (BERA), 3609 Alta Vista Drive, Fallbrook, CA 92028 and "RIDER", or if the Rider is a minor, Rider's parent or legal guardian. In return for use today and all future dates of the property, facilities and services of BERA and RIDER, his/her heirs, assigns, and legal representative, hereby expressly agree to the following:

1. This RELEASE OF LIABILITY covers all persons on or about all horses on the property.
2. RIDER is responsible for full and complete insurance coverage on his/her horse, personal property and him/herself.
3. RIDER understands there are risks in and around equine facilities.
4. RIDER agrees to assume ANY AND ALL RISKS INVOLVED IN OR ARISING FROM RIDER'S USE OF OR PRESENCE UPON BERA'S PROPERTY AND FACILITIES including without limitation but not limited to, the risks of death, bodily injury, property damage, falls, kicks, bites, collisions with vehicles, horses or stationary objects, fire or explosion, the unavailability of medical care, and/or deliberate act of another person.
5. RIDER agrees BERA and all its successors, assigns, subsidiaries, affiliates, officers, directors, employees, sub-contractors and agents completely harmless and not liable and release them from all liability whatsoever and AGREES NOT TO SUE them on account of or in connection with any claims, causes of action, injuries, damage, costs or expenses arising out of RIDER'S use or presence upon BERA'S property and facilities including those based on death, bodily injury, property damage, including consequential damages, except if damages are caused by the direct, willful and gross negligence of BERA Owners.
6. RIDER agrees to waive the protection afforded by any statute or law in any jurisdiction (e.g. California Civil Code #1542) whose purpose, substance and/or effect is to provide that a general release shall not extend to claims, material or otherwise which the person giving it release does not know or suspect to exist at the time of executing release.

- 7. RIDER agrees to indemnify and defend BERA against and hold harmless from any and all claims, causes of action, damages, judgments, costs or expenses, including attorney fees which in any way arise, from RIDER'S use of or presence upon BERA'S property and facilities.
- 8. RIDER has read "BRANDI'S EQUESTRIAN RIDING ACADEMY RULES" and agrees to abide by all BERA rules and regulations.
- 9. This contract is non-assignable and non-transferable. When RIDER and BERA Owner/Officer sign this contract it will then be binding on both parties, subject to the above terms and conditions.

ALL RIDERS MUST WEAR HELMETS _____ (Initial)

IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT HORSES ARE POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS AND UNPREDICTABLE ANIMALS. ANY ACTIVITY UNDERTAKEN AROUND OR NEAR HORSES CAN LEAD TO BODILY INJURY OR DEATH EVEN IF PROPER CARE IS TAKEN. _____ (Initial)

 Brandi's Equestrian Riding Academy Officer

 Date

 Rider's Name

 Age (if minor)

 Signature

 Date

 Parent/Guardian's Name

 Signature

 Date

 Address

 Cell Phone

 Work Phone

Text? Y N (Circle one)

E-mail Address _____

Welcome to our program! Please let us know how we can help you achieve your equestrian goals. Thank you for choosing Brandi's Equestrian Riding Academy!

Please circle package you would like to participate in:

Packages:

Please notify 15 days prior to the end of month for change of Package. Payment is due by the 5th of every month. Payments after the 5th will incur a \$25 late fee. Extra lessons can be purchased in addition to packages.

Package 1:

1 riding lesson a week and 1 horsemanship lesson a week per month = \$350/ month

Package 2:

2 lessons a week and 1 horsemanship lesson a week per month= \$570/month

Package 3:

3 lessons a week and 1 horsemanship lesson a week per month= \$760/month

Package 4:

4 lessons a week and 1 horsemanship lesson a week per month= \$900/month

Individual Lessons: \$65.00 Available on a first come first served basis. Spaces will not be held. Must schedule per week to see what's available.

(Please Initial each bullet point)

- You will not be charged extra for lesson days that fall outside the normal, 4-week/monthly schedule. That price has been included in your monthly tuition. Make-up lessons will not be given if your lesson falls on a holiday or designated instructor vacation day.
- **Make-ups must be used within 30 days of the missed lesson.**
- 24 hours' notice of cancellation for any reason is required in order to receive a make-up lesson.
- If a lesson is cancelled due to weather, a rainy-day lesson (unmounted lesson) will be given in its place. If the instructor deems it to be too wet or dangerous, a rainy-day lesson (unmounted lesson) will be given on zoom or a future date chosen by the instructor.
- In the event your lesson is cancelled due to a Horse Show, the instructor will reschedule these lessons as needed on an individual basis.
- If the instructor needs to cancel a lesson for something other than weather, a make-up will be given in its place.
- Payment is accepted through cash, Venmo, check, or stripe. Auto payment is available upon request. If payment is late, then auto payment each month will be required.

***Throughout the year camps, clubs, and shows are offered. Please be a part of our Facebook groups and Instagram to keep up with upcoming events.

Rider's Print Name: _____

Rider's Signature (If over 18): _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Print Name: _____

Signature of Parent/ Guardian if Minor: _____ Date: _____