

Tu Fox Farm

Lesson Registration (amended 1/1/2025)

Rider's Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Current Grade Level: _____

Email Address: _____ Phone: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Parent/Legal Guardian

Parent 1

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Parent 2

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Emergency Contact(s) (if other than parents/guardians listed above):

Name _____ Name _____

Phone: _____ Phone: _____

Allergies/Medications/Relevant Medical Information:

NEW STUDENTS ONLY:

How Did You Hear About Us?

Previous Riding Experience:

Tu Fox Farm Policies and Code of Conduct

(Amended 1/1/2025)

Barn Policies

- ALWAYS WEAR AN ASTM/SEI APPROVED PROTECTIVE HELMET and long pants and boots with a heel when riding.
 - Do not borrow anything without asking the owner first
 - **Allow 30 minutes for proper care of your horse, tack, and equipment before and after riding**
 - Always report injury of horse(s) or rider(s) to barn staff on duty
 - NO JUMPING outside of lessons unless approved and overseen by your trainer
 - Turn off lights when leaving the barn if you are the last one
 - Refrigerator is for daily use only except for drinks/snacks available for the barn
 - Be respectful. No running, playing, or rough-housing near arenas or barn.
 - CHILDREN UNDER 16 MUST BE SUPERVISED BY AN ADULT AT ALL TIMES. This includes riders as well as siblings, friends, etc. No minors should be at the farm by themselves – a friend or parents are required to be present.
 - Always have guests sign a release, even if they are not planning to ride.
 - Limit conversations with students or instructors during lessons.
 - No riding without first signing a Riding Hold Harmless release form.
 - Do not bring unleashed dogs or other pets to the barn, areas immediately surrounding the barn, or near the riding arenas. Well-behaved and leashed dogs are welcome.
 - NO SMOKING within 100 feet of the BARN OR ARENA
 - All accounts should be settled by the end of each month.
 - **Clean up after your horse and yourself.** There are trash containers, shovels, brooms, and muck buckets available for the disposal of manure, shedded hair, hoof cleanings, and general refuse in the aisle, wash stall, and outdoor grounds.
- THERE WILL BE A \$15 FEE CHARGED FOR ANY MESSES LEFT BEHIND A RIDER.**
- Please do not leave your horse unattended in any area including the riding arena and crossties
 - If you don't do it at home, don't do it in the barn. Common sense and courtesy at all times.
 - Keep the front gate closed at all times.

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Lesson Policies

- Appropriate dress is as follows:
 - Long pants are required; riding pants or tights are encouraged – No jeans in English Saddles!
 - All riders 12 years and older should wear a watch during their lessons.
 - A smooth-soled/low-tread boot with a heel is required to ride – no exceptions!
 - Helmets are required; TFF will supply a helmet for new lesson program riders for the first month and then students are required to purchase and bring their own
 - Hair should be in a ponytail, braid, or hairnet if long enough
 - Winter jackets should be fitted for safety.
- When a rider is of a suitable level to ride unattended, they should plan to be on their horse and walking for 10 minutes before their scheduled lesson time.
- Horsemanship lessons are part of the riding academy program for riders who are not full-owners, full-lessors, or adults. If riding is not possible, students are still expected to attend groundwork and horsemanship lessons.
- Students are encouraged to help each other as well as workers around the barn to expand their knowledge of horses beyond the arena
- Students are required to clean/condition/oil their tack after their rides and to place their tack back into the appropriate bags/covers in their correct spots in the tack room.
- Parents are encouraged to learn along with their riders; however, it is the student's responsibility to care for their horse and tack and parental intervention in order to speed up the grooming/tacking/care process is discouraged unless discussed with instructor.
- Please understand that students will not jump in every lesson, even when on their own horses. To increase the amount of over-fences work your student is able to perform each week, plan to increase the number of lessons per week and ask about leasing or purchasing a horse.
- Please do not bring students for their lessons if they or an immediate family member is sick (vomiting, fever, diarrhea within the last 24 hours).

As an equestrian, I acknowledge my obligation to uphold and adhere to the highest standards of horsemanship and sportsmanship whenever I am representing myself or Tu Fox Farm whether at home or in competition. As a horseman, I will place my horse's welfare above all other considerations. As a sportsman, I will know and comply with all pertinent policies of Tu Fox Farm as well as the governing bodies under which we compete (USEF, GHJA, IEA, USHJA, etc.). Knowing that as a proud member of Tu Fox Farm, I also serve as an ambassador of my sport and farm, I will endeavor at all times to reflect well on Tu Fox Farm through my conduct, dress, and behavior.

I understand and accept that serious or repeated transgressions of these Codes may be grounds for suspension from the program and any associated teams.

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Please read and initial each item along with a full signature at the bottom

_____ 30-days' notice is required to discontinue or reduce lessons for any reason or length of time.

_____ Payment of next month's tuition is expected at the student's last lesson of each month. Monthly payments are **due** at the 1st of each month. Payment is considered late on the 2nd and is subject to a \$25 late fee along with a \$10 per day fee after that point. Payment is accepted by way of cash, check, Zelle, Venmo, or PayPal (fees apply for use of PayPal).

_____ I agree to follow TFF's Code of Conduct and understand that any negative behavior, including bullying, inappropriate language, or disrespect towards staff, students, horses, or other farm animals, can result in immediate withdrawal from the program with no refund.

_____ I understand that there will be **NO MAKE-UPS or CREDITS provided for riders who miss their lessons when purchased in packages**. Owners/full-leasers and non-leasing adult riders who purchase lessons individually can make-up their lessons within the month for which they were purchased if 48 hours' notice is given or if there is a documented emergency/illness that prevents a rider from making their lesson.

_____ I understand that lessons are a regular weekly commitment and agree to make sure that it is a time my rider can commit to each week to get the most from my riding package. Days and times may be changed at the beginning of each month if a more suitable day/time for you becomes available. **Lessons will take place when some of the horses are away at horse shows.**

_____ I understand that horsemanship is a foundation of the TFF riding program. Therefore, I understand that **riders should expect to be present at least 30 minutes before and after their lesson** to allow for adequate time to groom/tack/warm up their horses as they are able. I also understand that in cases where riding is not possible due to weather conditions my student will be expected to participate in horsemanship and/or groundwork lessons. The decision to reschedule lessons based on dangerous weather conditions is solely up to the trainer's discretion, and these lessons will be made up as horsemanship lessons. Owners, full leasers, and adult riders may reschedule lessons in the case of inclement weather if they do not purchase their lessons in packages.

_____ I understand that videos, photographs, or interviews may be taken of my student for the sole purpose of highlighting the farm, its program, and the services provided. I (DO / DO NOT) grant TFF the right to use videos, photographs, or interviews on its website, social media, or other forms of advertisement for publicity purposes.

_____ I agree to maintain a positive barn environment for all TFF staff and students, and I will not post negative or inappropriate social media posts that may adversely affect the reputation of TFF, its staff, students, or barn community. **Failure to do so will result in immediate removal from the lesson or boarding program with no refunds given.**

_____ I (DO / DO NOT) give permission for my junior rider to engage on social media accounts associated with Tu Fox Farm (business accounts only,) including but not limited to Facebook and Instagram. If at any time I wish to sever these connections on social media, I can make a written request.

_____ I understand that most communication will occur as text messages and emails. **I also understand that junior riders (under 18 years of age) will only receive direct text messages as a part of a group text with a parent/guardian WITH NO EXCEPTIONS.**

Rider Name _____ Rider Signature: _____

Parent Name: _____ Parent Signature: _____

What do I Need to Succeed at Tu Fox Farm?

If I am a...

WEEKLY LESSON STUDENT / IEA RIDER:

- Helmet that is less than 5 years old and ASTM/SEI approved (labeled!)
 - MUST BE REPLACED AFTER ANY FALL WITH HEAD IMPACT – having a separate schooling helmet from your show helmet is EXTREMELY encouraged
- Riding Pants or Tights – no jeans except for western riders!
- Riding Boots – paddock boots with or without half chaps OR tall boots
- Riding Crop – 15-20” recommended (labeled!)
- Riding Gloves
- Brushes and Container/Bag – make sure you label your supplies!
 - Rubber curry comb
 - Hard brush
 - Soft brush
 - Hoof pick with a brush
 - Mane brush
 - Shedding blade
- Optional but Encouraged:
 - Riding Backpack (with some way to identify)

IEA RIDER FOR SHOWS:

All Riders

Show coat – black, navy, or dark green

Show shirt – long-sleeved, white

Black or brown belt (to match boots) - or navy/hunter green to match show coat

Black gloves with no piping/glitz

Black short riding crop – label it!!

Riders 12 years & Under

Show helmet – must be properly fitted with hair in bows - BLACK with no glitz
Equestrian show bows for braids NO MILL CREEK LOGOS – MC colors ok!
Show quality tan knee-patch jodhpurs with straps – no texture/ribbing - no silicone
Show quality black or brown paddock boots and matching garter straps - lace-up preferred, zipper ok **POLISHED BEFORE EACH SHOW**

Riders 13 years +

Show helmet – must be properly fitted with hair in a hair net – BLACK with no glitz
Hair net that matches current hair color - Make sure you know how to put your hair up in it BEFORE the show!
Show quality tan knee-patch breeches – no texture/ribbing - no silicone
Show quality and properly fitted black tall boots - field or dress type **POLISHED BEFORE EACH SHOW**

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**EQUINE RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, AND
INDEMNITY AGREEMENT**

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

I hereby enter into this agreement in consideration of my ability and permission to ride OR use any Horse owned by Tu Fox Farm or Jordan Schmidt ("Owner") whose address is 1203 Harmony Grove Church Rd, Auburn, GA 30011 OR for the right to handle any horse on the Tu Fox Farm Equestrian property, including those who are privately owned.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

BY SIGNING THIS AGREEMENT YOU ARE GIVING UP CERTAIN LEGAL RIGHTS, INCLUDING THE RIGHT TO RECOVER DAMAGES IN CASE OF INJURY, DEATH, OR PROPERTY DAMAGE, ARISING OUT OF YOUR RIDING OR USE OF THE OWNER'S HORSE AND/OR PARTICIPATION IN EQUINE ACTIVITIES AT TU FOX FARM, INCLUDING INJURY, DEATH, OR PROPERTY DAMAGE ARISING OUT OF THE NEGLIGENCE OF YOU OR JORDAN SCHMIDT, TU FOX FARM, OR CECILIA RISLEY OR ANY STUDENT HELPERS.

READ THIS AGREEMENT CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING IT. YOUR SIGNATURE INDICATES YOUR UNDERSTANDING OF AND AGREEMENT TO ITS TERMS.

By signing this form, I hereby acknowledge on behalf of myself that I have familiarized myself with the activities that I will be allowed to participate in, and that I do hereby acknowledge and agree that I will participate in these activities without restriction or limitation. I recognize the inherent risks involved in riding and working with horses, including but not limited to:

- Bites, kicks, abrasions or contusions from horses.
- Being thrown or bucked off by horses.
- Scratches or other injury from stalls or enclosures.
- Scratches or other injury from grooming tools and other equine equipment and tack.
- Allergic reactions to animals, hay, or other allergens.
- Tripping in holes or on materials or equipment.
- Slipping, falling, or otherwise being injured in the barn, in stalls, or on the grounds, which can be slippery, muddy, wet, or contain or present other hazards.

I hereby specifically forever waive and release Tu Fox Farm and its principals and agents, including but not limited to Jordan Schmidt and Cecilia Risley, from any liability for injury arising out of the inherent risks from riding, working or participating in a stable environment and/or with horses, as well as from the active negligence of Tu Fox Farm and its principals and agents, including but not limited to Jordan Schmidt and Cecilia Risley.

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By signing this agreement I hereby acknowledge that although there may be supervision during my time spent at Tu Fox Farm, there will not be a nurse on the premises and Tu Fox Farm and its principals and agents bear no responsibility for my health or medical care.

I agree to indemnify, save and hold harmless Tu Fox Farm and its principals and agents including but not limited to Jordan Schmidt or Cecilia Risley or student helpers from and against any loss, liability, damage, attorneys' fees, or costs that they may incur arising out of or in any way connected with either my presence or participation at Tu Fox Farm or any acts or omissions of Tu Fox Farm principals or agents including but not limited to Jordan Schmidt or Cecilia Risley.

By signing this Agreement, and by initialing the paragraph below, I hereby acknowledge my complete understanding, agreement and consent to my presence and/or participation in the activities at Tu Fox Farm without restriction, without liability to Tu Fox Farm or its principals or agents, including but not limited to Jordan Schmidt and Cecilia Risley, and with full knowledge and understanding of the disclosures, waivers, and releases herein.

If I am present at and participate in the activities of Tu Fox Farm, I do so at my own risk, and I hereby acknowledge and agree that Tu Fox Farm or Jordan Schmidt or Cecilia Risley and/or any of its principals and agents shall bear no responsibility or risk associated with injuries that could arise from my presence or participation at Tu Fox Farm.

Name: _____ Date: _____

Participant's Signature: _____

Name of Parent or Guardian if _____
Participant under 18 years old

Signature of Guardian _____ Date: _____

Tu Fox Farm Lesson Program Registration: Fall/IEA 2025

Rider Name & Date of Birth: _____

Thank you so much for your commitment to riding and horsemanship development at Tu Fox Farm! We are looking forward to another great semester!

As you make your selection, please be aware:

- All new Academy riders start in **PRIVATE** lessons and should plan to add weekday group lessons when their riding level and commitment advances.
- Lesson Packages may be paid for at the beginning of the semester (Aug 1), in two equal payments (Aug 1 & Oct 1), or at the beginning of each month of the semester. A fee schedule is on the next page for your review. **A \$25 late fee will apply to any payments made after the due date, with a \$10 per day compounding fee added on top starting on the 3rd of the month.**
- A **30-day notice is required** before a rider stops or reduces lessons so that a replacement rider from the waiting list may be notified to fill their lesson spot.

Make-Up Policies

- Academy lessons purchased in packages run **RAIN OR SHINE** except in the most severe weather situations. If you haven't heard that lessons are cancelled directly from your trainer, assume that lessons are still being held. Horsemanship lessons will be given whenever riding isn't possible. Make-up horsemanship lessons will be scheduled if weather conditions make travel to the farm too dangerous.
- Boarders and full-lessors must provide a minimum of 48 hours' notice to be provided a make-up lesson except in cases of documented illness or emergency.
- **All make-up lessons must be taken within the month for which they were purchased.** Lessons are considered made-up once they are rescheduled – any additional student-initiated changes to the lesson time will result in a forfeiture of the lesson.
- **Deductions should not be made from due academy package payments for lessons that will be missed – payments are for a spot in the program, not based on attendance.**

	24hr Notice	48hr Notice	Emergency	Inclement Weather
Academy Rider Purchasing Package Lessons	No	No	No	No
Academy Rider Purchasing Individual Lessons	No	No	Yes	Yes
Owner/Full-Lessor	No	Yes	Yes	Yes

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Important Dates for 2025 Fall/IEA Semester

(subject to change based on IEA Show Dates)

AUGUST

4 First Day of Fall Semester
16 AYDC @ Conyers
16-17 NCSC @ Conyers
23-24 HSV @ Conyers
30 IEA Lesson #1

NOVEMBER

1-2 HSV @ Conyers
8 IEA Lesson #4
15-16 HSV @ Pensacola
20-23 GHJA Finals @ Wills Park
22-23 HJ Fox @ Conyers

SEPTEMBER

6 AYDC @ Conyers
6-7 HSV @ Conyers
13-14 HJ Fox @ Conyers
20 IEA Lesson #2
27 IEA Show #1 @ Chicopee
28 NCSC @ Conyers

DECEMBER

6 IEA Lesson #5

OCTOBER

3-5 TIP Championships @ Aiken
6-11 RRP @ Kentucky
13 IEA Lesson #3
18-19 HJ Fox @ Conyers

JANUARY

3 IEA Lesson #6
17 Mill Creek Winter Festival @ Chicopee
29 Last Day of Fall/IEA Semester

Tuition Payment Options

Lesson(s) per Week	Payment Due Aug 1		Payments Due Aug 1 & Oct 1		Payments Due 1 st of Aug - Jan	
Once Weekly: Flatwork only	\$1500 (A)		\$815 (B)		\$292 (C)	
Twice Weekly: Flat x1; Jumping x1	<u>Boarders</u> \$2500 (D)	<u>Tuition</u> \$2760 (E)	<u>Boarders</u> \$1250 (F)	<u>Tuition</u> \$1500 (G)	<u>Boarders</u> \$420 (H)	<u>Tuition</u> \$542 (I)
<u>Weekend Lessons for Non-Owners/Lessors (J)</u> \$75/lesson billed at the beginning of the month based on availability of lessons for that month						
I UNDERSTAND THAT NO REFUNDS WILL BE ISSUED AFTER LESSONS ARE PURCHASED. I UNDERSTAND THAT BY CHOOSING AN ACADEMY RIDING PACKAGE, I AM SIGNING UP FOR THE ENTIRE SPRING SEMESTER AT TU FOX FARM FROM AUGUST 1, 2025 UNTIL JANUARY 29, 2026. IF MY RIDER DECIDES AT ANY POINT TO DISCONTINUE LESSONS, THE REMAINING BALANCE FOR THE SEMESTER IS DUE UPON RECEIPT OF MY 30-DAY NOTICE.						

Chosen Payment Plan (A-J): _____

Rider Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____