Berrien Springs Partnership Syllabus and Instructor Qualifications

**CLASS TITLE:** **GZA – (E3) EXPLORING EQUINE EDUCATION**

**GRADE OR AGE LEVELS:** 10yrs+   
**START DATE: 1/15/2021 END DATE: week of 5/14/2021**

**# WEEKS TOTAL: 7 WEEKS OFF: 0  
DAY/TIME REQUIRED: Friday 11:00am-2:00pm**

**ADD’L DAYS/WK AVAILABLE:**    
# **HOURS (REQUIRED):** 16 # **HOURS (POSSIBLE): 21  
TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS POSSIBLE: 21**  
**LOCATION/ADDRESS: 2216 S. 11th St. Niles, MI 49120   
DIRECTIONS TO LOCATION (if needed):**   
**MAIN INSTRUCTOR:** Coach Dawson  
**ADDITIONAL PRIMARY INSTRUCTORS (background checked)**

**CONTACT INFORMATION:**

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**website: groundzeroarchery.com**

**facebook: groundzeroarchery**

ADDITIONAL REGISTRATION AT SITE REQUIRED? NO  
IF YES, INSTRUCTIONS FOR REGISTRATION:

MAIN INSTRUCTOR QUALIFICATIONS: I have a passion for archery! Even more, I love seeing kids learn, explore and excel in their passions. My first encounter with archery, like so many, was at summer camp when I was 8 years old. I can still feel the thrill and accomplishment I felt sighting down the arrow, releasing the string, and hitting the target. Through the years my love for archery has grown, along with my passion for teaching children. I have continued my training and currently hold the following certifications: USA Archery Level 4NTS Coach, NFAA Level 3, USA Archery Level 2 NTS Trainer and Safe Sport certified.

COURSE DESCRIPTION (complete overview shown on website):

**Information about the Course:**

**Ages:** 10+ yrs old

**Class Min # of Students:** 1

**Class Max # of Students:** 2

**Class Pre-requisites:**

**Must be 10 years old or older.**

**Materials Needed for Class:** None

**Additional Class Cost:** One-time **$5.00** bow handling component fee per student if you wish your student to handle a bow and arrow during class time.

(All archery courses offered by the partnership do not include actual bow handling or purchasing of archery equipment for the students.

A one-time, per semester ($5.00) bow handling component may be purchased separately by contacting Ground Zero Archery directly).

**Description**: This course is the BASE for students who are interested in exploring equine education. We will cover general equine care, riding and what horse ownership involves. This class is also an introductory into Mounted archery.

# SYLLABUS/OUTLINE: weekly breakdown of Project-Based Learning activities

**Weekly breakdown:**

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| **Week 1: Introduction & Safety**  Introduction to class rules, goals, equipment and other need to know information.  Pre-Test & 1st day group photo. | **Week 6: Riding**  - Understand how to work horses effectively in all gaits  -Knowledge of horse movements  - Understand how to ride horses sympathetically  -Understand the importance of cooling the horse down after working |
| **Week 2: EQUINE KNOWLEDGE**  **-**Safety Continued  -Understanding how to handle a horse within the stable and yard  -Understanding how to groom a horse  -Understanding about bedding and preparing a stable  -Understanding how and when to feed and water horses | **Week 7: : Equine Disciplines**  - Introduce a horse to Mounted Archery. The key here is safety, and consideration for the horse, also the understanding that all horses are different, and react differently. |
| **Week 3: Equine Health**  - Understanding how to correctly identify the points, colors’ and markings of a horse.  - Know the basics of equine anatomy  - Know how to recognize a  horse’s health, welfare and  condition  - Know how to recognize and  treat minor wounds  - Understand the importance of  Preventative healthcare | **Week 8: Equine Disciplines Continued**  - Introduce a horse to Mounted Archery. The key here is safety, and consideration for the horse, also the understanding that all horses are different, and react differently.  to |
| **Week 4: Equine Tack**  - Understanding how to fit and remove tack  - Understanding how to select, use and maintain tack. | **Week 9: Review**  -Review of this semesters topics. |
| **Week 5: Riding**  - Understand how to work horses effectively in all gaits  -Knowledge of horse movements  - Understand how to ride horses sympathetically  -Understand the importance of cooling the horse down after working | **Week 10: Review**  -Review of this semesters topics.  **-** Post – Test & Semester End Photo |
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# COURSE OBJECTIVES AND APPROXIMATE TARGET DATES: Listed with Syllabus/Outline

STUDENT ASSESSMENT - what will be used to evaluate student progress and/or end of semester pass/fail status?  
All classes abide by the following:

1. Student agrees to attend at least 80% of class sessions/lessons offered. Attendance is kept online and tracked by Partnership staff. Failure to meet 80% or be on track to meet 80% may result in program discontinuation.
2. The Partnership Student Assessment or Performance Form is filled out by the teacher and turned in to Partnership staff. The link to this form is found on the web page for this class. Failing marks for lack of participation, behavior issues, practice time, etc. may result in program discontinuation.

**Class-specific assessment:** discuss and include the form or a link to the form that you use.

A pre and post- test will be given in class or emailed.

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**Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Pre-Test**

1. Have you heard of equine safety? Y/N
2. Have you heard the term, handling a horse? Y/N
3. Have you heard the term, grooming a horse? Y/N
4. Have you heard the term, horse tack? Y/N
5. Can you name 3 parts of a horse’s anatomy? Y/N
6. Have you heard the term equine preventative care? Y/N
7. Do who a farrier is? Y/N
8. Have you heard the equine term, gait? Y/N
9. Do horses need to exercise? Y/N
10. Have you heard the term mounted archery? Y/N

**Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Post Test**

1. Do you know 3 equine safety rules? Y/N
2. Do you understand how to handle a horse properly? Y/N
3. Do you understand how to groom a horse properly? Y/N
4. Do you understand the importance of proper fitting tack? Y/N
5. Can you name 6 parts of a horse’s anatomy? Y/N
6. Do have an understanding of equine preventative care? Y/N
7. Do you understand the importance of a farrier? Y/N
8. Can you name 3 equine gaits? Y/N
9. Do you understand the importance of regular equine exercising? Y/N
10. Do you understand the importance of desensitizing horses for the use in mounted archery? Y/N

# ADDITIONAL RESOURCES: (online, books, video, etc.):

Weekly online resources, youTube videos will be sent as needed.

# CLASS POLICIES: ATTENDANCE, BEHAVIOR, WEATHER, ETC.

**Attendance:** Students will need to attend at least 80% of classes offered.

**Behavior:** Respectful towards coaches and other students. First offense we will talk to parents. Second offense will result in dismissal form program for the semester.

**Weather:** Check email, facebook and tune into wsbt TV for closures.

**Other:** It’s going to be a GREAT semester!!