This is intermediate 1.  The days and times should be Wed 11-1 and ages 7 and up. Here is the course outline

   It is recommended to complete the Beginner courses prior, but is not a requirement. Prior horse care and knowledge is required.

Every course has a riding component that may be purchased directly from Patsy Little for $10.

Closed toe shoes (preferably with a slight heel), long pants, a folder with a pencil are needed to be brought to class each week.

  Course Outline: ​ This is a continuation of Introduction courses, and will build on the skills learned. Students will learn cost of ownership and common emergencies. If the student rides they will work on transitional gaits and learn to work with the horse as a partner.

(broken down by week with a sentence description of what is covered each  week)  Put vacation time in or any other weeks where class will not happen.

 Week 1 This will be our orientation day. We will meet in the classroom and fill out required waivers, discuss safety around horses, review horse anatomy and proper grooming, pre evaluations will be completed during this time, we will finish out our class with a facility tour and meeting the horses. This is a relaxed meeting.

 Week 2 We will begin building onto the prior anatomy learned, and we will be discussing in more detail about the diseases of the hoof.

 Week 3 We will continue with our discussion of the hoof and the prior week’s anatomy discussion

  Week 4 There will be a group activity labeling anatomy learned this far. (a diagram is provided for this activity)

  Week 5 We will continue our discussions of the prior weeks to solidify that each student understands the material covered.

  Week 6 This week will be our “free week” this is an open discussion for the students. They can ask questions about the prior weeks or may ask about other areas of horses, their care or uses. This is meant to help them independently think about the material

 Week 7 We will be continuing to learn more about parasites that can infest horses, and what damage can occur if these parasites are allowed to continue without treating the horse

  Week 8 This will be a continuation of week 7

  Week 9 We will have a class activity

  Week 10 This is our final meeting. We will review all materials and post evaluations will be given.

**INCLEMENT WEATHER CANCELLATION POLICY: Class will be cancelled if South Bend Area Schools are cancelled due to weather.  If classes are cancelled for any other reason, Patsy will make sure to send out an email 24 hours in advance to let you know.  If classes are not cancelled and your child(ren) will not be attending class, please call/text/email Patsy in advance.  Please contact the instructor in the event of questionable weather.**