

Ground Zero Archery – E3 (Exploring Equine Education)
The BASE for All Your Adventures!

Information about the Instructor:

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Instructor Bio: Through the years my love for archery has grown and includes, mounted archery. I have enjoyed owning a horse for a majority of my life, but the combination of horse and archery has formed a new passion!!

I have continued my training and currently hold the following certifications: USA Archery Level Coach, NFAA Level 3 and Safe Sport certificates. MA3 (Mounted Archery Association of the Americas) competitor, member and chapter leader.

Information about the Course:

Semesters offered: Spring

Day: Friday

(February 9,16,23 – March 2 – April 6,13,20,27 – May 4,11,18 – June 1)

Year-End Expo May 12 @ 4 pm or May 14 @ 6 pm

Time: 10:00 – 11:30 am

Location: Bittersweet Stables 2100 Weaver Rd, Niles, MI 49120

Description: This course is the BASE for students who are interested in exploring equine education. We will cover general equine care, riding and training techniques, what horse ownership involves and special disciplines available with emphasis on Mounted archery.

This course, offered by the partnership, does not include actual horse handling by the students. The horse handling component may be purchased for \$5.00 separately by contacting Ground Zero Archery/Coach Dawson directly.

Ages/Grades: Anyone in the Homeschool Partnership

Class Min # of Students: 1

Class Max # of Students: 3

Criteria for passing class: Students will need to attend at least 80% of classes offered and complete the pre and post tests for progress evaluation.

Weekly breakdown:

<p>Week 1: Introduction & Safety Introduction to class rules, goals, equipment and other need to know information. -Understanding of the current riding hat safety standards</p>	<p>Week 7: Riding - Understand how to work horses effectively in all gaits -Knowledge of horse movements - Understand how to ride horses sympathetically</p>
<p>Week 2: EQUINE KNOWLEDGE -Safety Continued -Understanding how to handle a horse within the stable and yard .- Understanding how to lead a horse and hold it for treatment or inspection - Understanding how to groom a horse</p>	<p>Week 8: 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</p>
<p>Week 3: EQUINE KNOWLEDGE - Understanding how to prepare a horse for travelling -Understanding about bedding and preparing a stable -Understanding of the rules of feeding including watering -Understanding how and when to feed and water horses</p>	<p>Week 9: Riding Continued - 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</p>
<p>Week 4: Equine Tack - Understanding how to fit and remove tack - Understanding how to select, use and maintain tack.</p>	<p>Week 10: 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.</p>
<p>Week 5: 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</p>	<p>Week 11: 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.</p>
<p>Week 6: Equine Health - Understand the reasons for clipping and relevant welfare issues - Understand the structure, function and potential problems of the horse's foot - Understand the procedure for shoeing, including the use of the farriers tools - Understand the procedure for removing a twisted shoe in an emergency</p>	<p>Week 12: Review - Review of previous 11 weeks.</p>

Name: _____

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 you know 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 you 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