

Academy Guidelines

Riders:

Entries are limited to beginners and intermediates that have shown in academy classes only.

Riders must be participating in a professionally operated lesson program

A rider who has shown & been judged in Walk/Trot/Canter classes is no longer eligible to return to Walk/Trot classes.

Academy driver may be accompanied in the cart by an experienced adult who is not allowed to coach.

Attire to be appropriate for style of riding or driving.

Helmets required in all classes.

Horses:

Horses must be regularly used as lesson horses in a professionally operated lesson program.

Horses should be plain shod. (Exception may be made if corrective shoeing is needed or one pad and/or wedge is necessary for the comfort of the horse.)

Blinkers are only allowed in the warm-up arena with a professional riding the horse.

Horses may not be shown with blinkers.

Horse to be tacked with saddle/bridle consistent with style of riding.

Supportive/protective boots and wraps are allowed in the show ring as long as they are a conservative color.

Full or Pelham bridles or snaffle bridle with running martingale or a snaffle with a German martingale are acceptable. Draw reins are prohibited.

Martingales are prohibited on curb bit or any other leverage bit.

Once a rider has shown in a suit, they are no longer eligible for Academy.

Once a rider has cantered in a competition they may no longer show in the walk and trot division.

Judging Criteria:

Equitation: To be judged on basic seat, hands and form, along with effective control of the horse.

Pleasure: To be judged on showmanship, ring generalship and presentation of the horse to its best ability.

Headers are allowed in in the line-up in all Academy Classes.

FRIDAY MORNING**April 19, 2024**

- 200 Academy Youth/Adult Driving (Adult may accompany driver)
- 201 Academy, W/T/C, Rider 15 & Older
- 202 Academy W/T/C, Rider 14 & Younger
- 203 Academy W/T, Rider 11- 14
- 204 Academy W/T, Rider 10 & Under
- 205 Academy Walk/Trot, Lead Line

FRIDAY AFTERNOON**April 19, 2024**

- 206 Academy Championship, W/T/C, Rider 15 & Older
- 207 Academy Championship, W/T/C, Rider 14 & Younger
- 208 Academy Championship, W/T, Rider 11-14
- 209 Academy Championship, W/T, Rider 10 & Under
- 210 Academy Walk/Trot, Lead Line Championship
- 211 Lead Line (3-7 Years of Age) Academy or Show Attire