

2021 Pro Bono Jr/Young Rider Clinic

Saturday, August 7, 2021

Houghton College Equestrian Center, Houghton, NY

Registration Opens: July 7, 2021/Closes: August 4, 2021



Created and offered by WNYDA through the Ida Mizelle Educational Fund to offer a **FREE 45 minute, private dressage lesson to ANY rider between the ages of 8 and 21 with an interest in trying dressage on their horse**, in a low-key, supportive environment, held at the beautiful Houghton College Equestrian facility. The clinic will start at 9:00 a.m. and conclude by 5:00 p.m. The instructors are all expert competitors, instructors and coaches who are donating their time for the day. Riders do NOT need to be current members of WNYDA, although all WNYDA youth members are welcome! Any interested youth rider who desires access to dressage instruction is eligible for this event.

Two lessons will be able to take place simultaneously in Houghton's brand-new 100' x 240' indoor arena, complete with wireless mic systems for the instructors and receivers for the riders, and one lesson in the 60' x 145' indoor arena.

To boost the learning experience for all attendees, selected instructional videos will be shown in one of the Equestrian Center classrooms for all riders and auditors that would like to take advantage of the extra learning opportunity. Auditors of any age are welcome at this event with a \$5 auditing fee required.

If overwhelming interest occurs, riders will be scheduled or waitlisted in the order entries are received. 27 spots are available with a \$25 deposit upon sign up to hold the time slot; the deposit will be returned to the rider upon arrival and check-in. If a rider needs to cancel due to illness/lameness, the deposit will be returned if cancellation occurs at least 48 hours ahead of time with doctor's and/ or veterinarian's signed note; otherwise full deposit will be considered a donation to the WNYDA educational fund.

WNYDA is providing the liability insurance to cover the event with Houghton College and the instructors volunteering their time and expertise named as an additional insured. Each participating rider and auditor is required to sign and date the liability release statement on the registration form. A limited number of stalls are available in the new, climate-controlled indoor at \$30 per stall for the day (participants must provide their own bedding and strip the stall before leaving).

Please contact Sarah Averill for more information: sarahlorax@gmail.com. Registration form is available on WNYDA.org.