Field Trip Rules

- 1, All forms must be completed and signed before participant can **ride** a horse. They must be updated annually or whenever there is a change in medical status or anything pertinent to safely carry out a lesson. When indicated, a physician signature is required.
- 2. Physician signature is not required for ground lessons. Parent signature is required with verification that all special needs and conditions are listed on the registration forms. We cannot prepare to adapt a program or anticipate a special need or potential problem if we are not aware of the need.
- 3. Behavioral Code of Conduct is enforced for anyone who is at our center. Copies are posted and given in new rider packets. Staff are not SCIP-R certified. We rely on participant's staff, teachers, aides and family to manage behavioral situations that occur onsite, that cannot be controlled with our Student behavioral Code of Conduct rules.
- 4. Centaur Stride staff has authority to change lesson plan from mounted to ground lesson for any justifiable reason, and has final authority on which horse is assigned to a rider.
- 5. Groups may be divided to allow for station work and safety.
- 6. Adults accompanying children may be asked to assist, and must have closed toe tie shoes or sneakers or boots.
- 7. Only the instructors will assist riders on and off their horses.
- 7. Participants must wear appropriate attire. An ASTM-SEI certified horseback riding helmet will be provided. Close toed shoes such as tie sneakers or shoes or boots, long pants, no dangling jewelry or hard stuff in pockets, no dangling jewelry, no cell phones or electronic devices except those medically necessary.
- 8. Fees are \$350 for up to 10 participants, with an additional \$35 per person above 10. Payment is due two weeks before the scheduled day or an approved purchase order if billing is required. The length of time for field trips varies depending on the size of group and will be discussed at the

time of booking. Cost is determined by the number of students at the booking, and no refunds for a lesser number of participants on day of event. If more than the number of registered students, we will make every effort to accommodate, if possible, with the additional charge.

- 9. Cancellations for severe weather or for unexpected and uncontrollable circumstances will be determined at the discretion of Centaur Stride, at least two hours before scheduled event. For mild inclement weather, we have an indoor arena. Although we will make every effort to enable participants to ride, instructors may choose to limit that for appropriate reasons and do other horsemanship education activities. Safety of everyone is paramount.
- 10. Participants over 200 pounds may not be able to ride, pending on ability and if we have an appropriate horse. If they can't ride, they will still participate in all ground lessons.
- 11. There are some contraindications for some people, in which horseback riding could exacerbate their conditions. We may have to decline certain activities based on those contraindications and conditions.