

## Requirements

Riders should:

- ★ Walk, trot, & canter confidently
- ★ Be in grade 4 through 12 (starting September 2024)\*
- ★ Attend weekly or bi-weekly 2 hour team practice\* (Tuesday, Thursday, Friday or Saturday and possibly Sunday depending on rider's level)
- ★ Maintain a weekly standing lesson with their trainer
- ★ Plan to compete in five IEA shows between September and February (and possibly Regionals & Zone Finals in February/March 2025, and Nationals in April 2025)

## Costs

- ★ Annual IEA Membership: \$70 for Youth / \$60 for Adult (to be paid to the IEA directly)
- ★ Annual Team Membership: \$100\* (to be paid to BEC as soon as rider is confirmed on the team)
- ★ Seasonal IEA Team Package: \$900 for 10 practices\*
  - \* Fall Session: Sept. - Dec. 2024
  - \* Winter Session: Jan. - March 2025
  - \* Spring Session TBD: April - June 2025Practice packages cannot be refunded, converted or discounted
- ★ IEA shows: \$250 x 5 shows
- ★ Riders are expected to have or invest in proper show attire
- ★ Team apparel will be available for purchase

\*Does not apply to Adult Pilot Program

**Have questions? Want to join?**

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**Bergen  
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**Come Join our**  
**IEA Hunt Seat & Dressage Teams**  
for Middle School and High School Riders

**New in 2024: Adult Pilot Program**



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## What is the IEA?



The Interscholastic Equestrian Association is a non-profit organization whose mission is to introduce students (grades 4-12) and now Adults to equestrian sports and to promote and improve the quality of equestrian competition and instruction.

### **No rider needs to own a horse to compete.**

Riders in grades 4-8 are eligible for the Middle School team while riders in grades 9-12 compete on the High School team.

Teams take turns hosting horse shows throughout the season. **BEC hosts 3 to 4 IEA shows during the season.**



**Students ride horses that are provided by the host barn and chosen by a random draw. This equalizes competition variables and tests the horsemanship of the contestants.**

Riders should plan to participate in 5 shows to try to earn enough points to qualify for post-season shows, ie regional, zone and national finals. Teams can also earn points and qualify.

## What to expect during the season

- ★ Riders are expected to participate in a weekly or bi weekly team practice in proper attire, including collared shirt, and hair net.
- ★ Team practice will include group riding and non-riding horsemanship and showing strategy components.



For more information on the IEA please visit  
<https://www.rideiea.org/about/>

## Why Join?

- ★ **Gain show experience**, and prepare for intercollegiate competition while making your college application stand out.
- ★ **Improve your riding & horsemanship skills in a team environment.**
- ★ **Learn more about BEC's Working Student and Volunteer programs.**
- ★ **Have fun, make friends & be part of the BEC community!**



## What to expect on show day

- ★ **Shows are usually on Sundays and about 1 to 2 hours away from BEC.** Transportation is not provided. Carpooling is encouraged as the days can be long.
- ★ **Horses are randomly selected and riders have a short time to familiarize themselves with their mount.**
- ★ **Riders compete in one or two classes** (flat and over fences) depending on their level.
- ★ **Riders should plan to be there all day to help and support their teammates.**