



The Ridge College Preparatory Showcase

Hosted by The Ridge at Wellington Groves

January 16–18, 2026

Dear Parent and Rider,

Thank you for your interest in *The Ridge College Preparatory Showcase*, hosted by The Ridge at Wellington Groves on **January 16–18, 2026**.

This exciting and educational event is designed to give riders a unique opportunity to experience the structure and spirit of collegiate equestrian competition. Participants will compete in formats modeled after **IHSA, NCAA, and NCEA** shows, attend seminars, meet-and-greets, and learn how to balance their passion for riding with a full academic curriculum.

Placement into the Program

To be considered for participation, riders must be **currently enrolled in grades 6–12**.

Please submit the following materials to **info@ridgeshowjumping.com**:

- A **riding résumé** including your equestrian background, trainer/barn, discipline, competition level, years of experience, and any notable achievements.
- A **completed application form** (link below).
- A **\$30 non-refundable application fee**, payable by **check, Zelle, or wire transfer**. This application fee will be deducted from the \$450 registration fee upon acceptance into the event.

- Please complete the following google form
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeG7bDQX3fTGFQzME4AdfUMhECmgsfVwBKL796PQMApIBQXVw/viewform?usp=header>
- Optional up to 3 page essay on “How equestrian sport has helped you grow” can be submitted. 1 winner will be chosen and presented an award at the end of the event.

Applications will be reviewed upon receipt of all materials and payment.

Conduct and Sportsmanship

All Ridge CPS riders, parents, and attendees are expected to uphold the highest standards of professionalism and sportsmanship throughout the event, including competitions, seminars, and related activities.

Unsportsmanlike conduct—such as rude or disrespectful language, poor team spirit, or inappropriate behavior—will not be tolerated and may result in immediate disqualification or dismissal from the event without refund.

Dispute Resolution:

Any concerns must be reported directly to Ridge management. Riders, parents, or attendees may **not** approach judges, stewards, or coaches regarding disputes. Management will determine whether to involve the competition steward as needed.

Sportsmanship Commitment:

The Ridge College Preparatory Showcase fosters mutual respect, integrity, and teamwork. We expect all participants and families to demonstrate positive representation of their school, barn, and The Ridge community—both in person and online.

Competition Dress Code

Riders are required to attend all competitions in the following attire:

- **Standard USEF approved attire**
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Please ensure all submitted information is accurate. False or misleading details may result in withdrawal of placement consideration. All applications and personal information will be handled confidentially.

To complete your application, please fill out the **attached form** and email it along with your riding résumé and application fee.

We look forward to reviewing your application and welcoming you to *The Ridge College Preparatory Showcase* this January!

Warm regards,

Nona Garson

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