



LEVEL PLACEMENT

All riders who are new to the Greenway Stables program must complete an evaluation ride prior to placement at a specific level. Only beginner riders and riders who have participated in our program within the last year are exempt from this evaluation. Evaluations are 30 minutes long and cost \$60.

LEVELS

Beginner: No experience necessary. Participants will learn to catch, groom, saddle and mount/dismount independently. Participants will learn correct riding position, practice utilizing riding aids, steering and stopping. Instructors will introduce the two-point position, trot and trail riding.

Strong Beginner: Participants should be able to catch the groom and saddle independently. Participants should be confident at the walk and familiar with the trot transition. This level will focus on balance and correct position in the posting trot. We will introduce the canter and work on riding a variety of horses. Students need to be able to competently ride all Greenway beginner horses at this level before moving into Intermediate lessons.

Intermediate: Confident in all Beginner and Strong Beginner skills as well as starting to become comfortable in the canter. Focus for these lessons will be on the canter, using two-point position at all gaits, introduction to extension, collection and flexion of the horse, and introduction to trotting poles and cross rails. Students need to be able to competently ride all Greenway intermediate horses at this level before moving into Advanced lessons.

Advanced: Confident in all intermediate skills. Students will be introduced to verticals, course work and more advanced flatwork. Focus on working with the horse using riding aids and creating balance, collection/extension, and flexion in the horse. Opportunity to focus on areas/disciplines of the riders' selection. Riders will start to ride more advanced Greenway horses.