



Welcome to the 2024 Season!

Thank you for considering our farm for your riding journey!  
We are excited to help you learn, grow, and become a versatile  
and quality horseman/woman!

Here's to the growth 2024 has to offer!

We are a small & humble family farm; we are far from a high end show barn, nor have we ever pretended to be. We strive to bring versatility, quality learning, and a family friendly atmosphere to the next generations of equestrians.

I have been growing and adapting this business for over a decade. If some of you do not know our story, I encourage you to find it on our website or Facebook page to fully appreciate our program and our farm.

This is a part time job for me, so that I may continue to be a stay-at-home parent, homeschool my children, and share my passion for the equine industry with others. With the growth that the business had in recent years, coupled with my desire to be present with my children while they are young, it became clear that employees were needed at the farm. I started seriously considering a big growth opportunity in the form of hiring more instructors.

With that decision looming, Miss Faith entered the lesson program and began teaching some of the young riders learning basics and getting their feet wet in horses. We had a lot of re-organizing, meetings, and juggling going on with this change and we greatly appreciate those who stuck with us through the season as we navigated our first year having an assistant instructor!

This year will be another big year of necessary change & growth.

While I love my job, I am also aware that the past few seasons my passion for the youngest students' learning was a bit dimmed due to the time spent teaching my own four kids. I deeply believe in quality hands-on learning for all riders and always want to make my program accessible for all age groups! For the sake of the quality of lessons and enthusiasm from their instructor, I have decided to hire an experienced and dedicated new assistant instructor for the beginner age group and ability level to ensure they are getting the best instruction that is coupled with authentic enthusiasm and passion for their learning!

We are still knee deep in applications/interviews/searching and no decisions have been made concerning who this beginner instructor will be.

I understand that this is a big change around here, especially if you are a student who has been here for a few seasons. However, I truly believe it will be for the betterment of the students and myself. When an applicant has been chosen, I will be having a meet and greet with the assistant instructor so that all interested students who would be under their instruction have the opportunity to meet them and choose if they would like to continue riding here.

Special considerations will and can be made if there are necessary reasons for a rider to stay under my instruction but still be in the pony rider or beginner age or ability level groups.. This will be solely and fully under my discretion and I reserve the right to choose any student that I feel is more suited to my instruction over an assistant instructor.

Another more fun & exciting change for this season will be lesson plans! We will be tracking progress with more dedication and I will be overseeing more of the learning and steps being taken by the assistant instructors to ensure that all teaching is being done by the standards I have set for my program all those years ago.

This is another reason for myself to take a lesser workload in lessons- and a greater step into organization, management, and overseeing the other lessons that I will not be teaching but keeping track of progress and overall contentment of both student, family, and assistant instructors. I have not decided exactly how many lessons/students that I will teach on a weekly basis as I am still awaiting sign ups to be completed before making any of those decisions. I will be teaching as much as I can, while maintaining my peace and my family's priorities.

I realize many of you may not be pleased with this new step, and I respect your decision entirely if you choose to seek other programs that may align better to your needs. I am happy to refer you to other local excellent instructors who I would trust with my own child's continued learning if so!

I would like to note and clarify that all lessons with assistant instructors will be INDIVIDUAL and private lessons. In addition to that, we will be having 15 minute time intervals between lessons for these lessons with both assistant instructors to ensure full lesson time is utilized, proper conclusions to all lessons are completed, and the assistant instructors can have a few moments to prepare for the next lesson. This will ensure no one is rushing, missing steps, or having their time slot interfered with.

I am extremely at peace with these changes, I am excited for this season and I feel a breath of rejuvenation going into this season NOT-overwhelmed and ready to do some of our best work this year.

As always, thank you for trusting me with the teaching of yourself or your child & thank you for supporting our farm and small business!

Love,  
Ari

Let's start sign ups for 2024!

This PDF is complete with our release of liability, returning student and new student sign up sheet, photo release form, payment plan information, pricing, and any other pertinent information regarding lessons this season.

**PLEASE READ IT THOROUGHLY, COMPLETE AND SIGN IT, and RETURN TO US VIA EMAIL OR PRINT AND SIGN HARD COPIES.**

## **PAYMENTS**

We accept PayPal, checks, or cash only. Checks or cash can be left in the drop box on the tack room building inside an included envelope to specify student and month paid.

Checks are made out to: Frantz Family Farm LLC  
PayPal is: [frantzfamilyfarmllc@gmail.com](mailto:frantzfamilyfarmllc@gmail.com)

**ALL LESSON PAYMENTS ARE DUE THE 25TH  
OF THE PRIOR MONTH.**

For example: April lessons are due March 25th.

There will be no exceptions to this.

In order for our horses to be paid for and up to date on everything needed to sustain these athletes year round, we rely on timely payments and require pre-payment due to years of no-shows, no-calls, and last minute cancellations that then affect the functionality of our program.

## **CANCELLATIONS**

We have a 24-hour cancellation policy.

If you contact us 24 hours prior to your lesson time, we will attempt to reschedule your lesson to another available time and day.

If a time and day cannot be chosen for a reschedule from either party, we will refund half your lesson cost for that missed lesson.

If you do NOT provide 24 hour notice, we will not refund nor reschedule your missed lesson.

Emergency cancellations will be attempted to be rescheduled just like a 24-hour cancellation, and if rescheduling cannot happen, it will be refunded in full for true emergencies.

Please note: Our farm pays our assistant instructors regardless of if the student rides or not- this is why these policies are in place now. Their time here is appreciated and should not be un-compensated in the event of a no-show/no-call, etc.

## **OUR PROGRAM SCHEDULE**

Our lessons are taught weekly. Each student has a specified day and time slot each week that stays the same unless otherwise changed by contacting Ari directly.

We book lessons by the month, either 4 or 5 weeks in that month and prepayment for the full month is required.

This is a tuition based program rather than a pay-by-lesson program. We are interested in building quality, dedicated, versatile riders who have a desire to work hard, learn well, and enjoy the process of building their equestrian skills.

We will no longer be accepting continual use of the pro-rating option. This means family vacations, special events, circumstances outside of your control, etc that fall on your lesson day can of course be pro-rated. If it becomes continual or begins disrupting the learning process for the student then we will be forced to no longer accept the prorating terms for the remainder of the season.

**Lesson days of 2024 will be:  
Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays & some Saturdays.  
Times to be decided.**

# PRICING

## **Pony Posse**

Beginner riders ages 3-5 years

**\$40 per half hour individual lesson**

(with 15 minute intervals between lessons)

Pony Posse is taught by Miss Faith. These lessons are conducted on the ponies of our farm. She has a background in early childhood learning, personal experience with ponies, and she focuses her lessons on basic introduction to horses for the smallest learners. Pre-K children thrive best with Miss Faith, learning grooming, leading, safety, mounting, rein placement, stirrup use, basic steering, stopping, forward motion, games, balance challenges, trail rides, and tacking!

## **Intro to Horses**

Beginner riders of all ages

**\$40 per half hour individual lesson**

(with 15 minute intervals between lessons)

Intro to Horses lessons will be conducted on the beginner horses on our farm and be taught by our new assistant instructor (yet to be chosen.) Beginner riders of all ages will thrive in this individualized setting focusing on fundamentals, horsemanship, safety, ground handling skills, grooming & tacking, mounting and basics of riding at a walk & trot, as well as obstacle maneuvering and foundational skills.

## **Lessons with Ari:**

As we transition to a program with assistant instructors, I'll be as flexible as I can be with returning students who may feel it best to stay under my instruction. Likewise, if a student feels it best to ride under an assistant instructor we can discuss that option and pursue what is best for all involved.

Ari is the owner and head instructor at the farm.

I teach both English hunter/jumpers and Western riding disciplines with a foundation in versatile and correct riding styles that will set up a rider for a diverse and strong foundational equestrian journey.

I also teach barrel lessons as well as intro to jumping.

**\$45 half hour individual lesson-** private, one on one session.

**\$50 full hour group lesson-** groups of 2 students only.

(These will be very specific this year, as prior years some riding students in groups may have been matched out of scheduling necessity rather than riding ability. This year and beyond, all group lessons will be done by ability and what is currently being worked on by each student. These group lessons will be chosen by myself to accurately match students. If you prefer a group lesson for the full hour reduced rate, a student matching your ability level will be required to be found or you must opt for the private session)

**\$65 full hour individual lesson-** private, one on one session.

### **Off Farm Lessons:**

\$50/hr for an hour group lesson of 2 or more (per rider)

\$60/hr individual hour

#### **Travel Fee:**

Between 10-15 miles there will be a \$20 travel fee to cover drive time + fuel

Under 10 miles there is no travel fee.

I will not travel further than 15 miles.



## **WORKING STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES**

I ACCEPT 4 WORKING STUDENTS PER SEASON

CONTACT ME IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN APPLYING!  
THIS IS FOR THOSE WHO WANT FARM EXPERIENCE,  
MORE TIME WITH HORSES & TO HELP DIVERT COST.

What Working Student Program Looks Like:

Students must be 12+ to be considered for the working student program. They **MUST BE** hard working and able to work efficiently, thoroughly, take directions and constructive criticism well and be willing to learn and multi-task.

Students work: 4 hours/week for a weekly private hour lesson.

Students may: clean stalls, sheds, re-bed stalls, scrub water tanks and buckets, drag arenas or pastures, feed horses, fill or hang haynets, pickup rocks or limbs in pastures, do farm chores such as moving temporary fence lines, cleaning tack, sweeping barns, organizing, or miscellaneous jobs.

Twice weekly lessons are available if students would like to work two separate shifts for those two lessons.

If this interests you, please reach out to discuss it with me!

## **Required Riding Apparel:**

### **Pony Posse:**

Jeans or thick pants are required for all lessons, even in summer. Boots with a HEEL are required, no exceptions. It is strongly encouraged that you purchase your child their own riding helmet once it is determined that they will be riding for the season. Helmets are on site to be used until that is decided upon. Bike helmets will not be sufficient and they must be riding helmets.

### **Intro to Horses:**

Jeans and boots with a heel are required in Western lessons. Breeches or thick leggings and boots with a heel are required in English lessons.

It is strongly encouraged that you purchase your child their own riding helmet once it is determined that they will be riding for the season. Helmets are on site to be used until that is decided upon. Bike helmets will not be sufficient and they must be riding helmets.

### **Lessons with Ari:**

Jeans and Western boots are required in Western lessons. Breeches and English boots are required in English lessons. It is strongly encouraged that you purchase your child their own riding helmet once it is determined that they will be riding for the season. Helmets are on site to be used until that is decided upon. Bike helmets will not be sufficient and they must be riding helmets.

Show Attire WILL be required for any off and on farm shows in 2024- including but not limited to proper show shirts & jackets, rodeo shirts, chaps, tall boots, etc.

# Frantz Family Farm LLC Photograph/Video Release Form

I, \_\_\_\_\_, the  
legal parent/guardian of

\_\_\_\_\_ (student)  
agree to allow Frantz Family Farm LLC, and its  
owner Ari Frantz the use of photos/videos pertaining  
to riding lessons and other activities of my child or  
myself on their business pages, social media, or  
advertisements posted to build their business.

X

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

OR

I, \_\_\_\_\_, do  
NOT agree to the use of any photos or videos of my  
child or myself to be used for any purposes.

X

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

OR

I, \_\_\_\_\_, agree  
to allow photos or videos to be used with the  
understanding that my child's or my face will be  
blurred out or remain hidden to protect privacy or for  
any personal reasons.

X

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# Frantz Family Farm LLC NEW Student Intake

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
DOB: \_\_\_\_\_  
Parents/Guardians: \_\_\_\_\_  
Relationship to Student: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address of Student or Parents/Guardians: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency contact if different than above: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Prior riding experience:

English preferred \_\_\_\_\_  
Western preferred \_\_\_\_\_  
Goals and future riding interests: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Check at least 3 that interest the student or that they'd like to work towards:

Ground work/horse behavior and training \_\_\_\_\_  
Horse care/general daily maintenance/feeding/horse health \_\_\_\_\_  
Walk/trot/canter general flatwork with an emphasis on correctness \_\_\_\_\_  
Jumping \_\_\_\_\_  
Trail riding \_\_\_\_\_  
English \_\_\_\_\_ Western \_\_\_\_\_  
Barrel racing/pole bending \_\_\_\_\_  
Showing \_\_\_\_\_  
Bareback riding \_\_\_\_\_  
Other \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies:

Any special considerations/learning challenges: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Frantz Family Farm  
RETURNING STUDENT INTAKE**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_

What you enjoyed in the 2023 season:

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What you had to work extra hard on in the 2023 season:

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What you would like to get better at in 2024:

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Fun/challenging/exciting goals you have for 2024 riding:

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What you feel you need more support from your instructor in 2024 to reach your goals:

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Something you recognize you will need to work hard on in the 2024 season in order to improve your skills:

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**RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY  
ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT**

READ THIS AGREEMENT CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING IT. YOUR SIGNATURE INDICATES YOU UNDERSTAND IT AND AGREE ON ITS TERMS. BY SIGNING THIS AGREEMENT, YOU AND YOUR CHILD ARE GIVING UP CERTAIN LEGAL RIGHTS, INCLUDING THE RIGHT TO SUE OR RECOVER DAMAGES IN CASE OF INJURY, DEATH, OR PROPERTY DAMAGES, FOR ANY REASON, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE STABLE, ITS OWNERS, EMPLOYEES, VOLUNTEERS, AND AGENTS ("THE RELEASEE'S).

I, \_\_\_\_\_, on behalf of myself and my minor child,  
\_\_\_\_\_, who resides at  
\_\_\_\_\_, in \_\_\_\_\_,  
\_\_\_\_\_.

In consideration for allowing me (or my minor child) to handle, ride, or be in the presence of any equine, and on behalf of myself, my child, or our personal representatives, heirs, next-of-kin, spouses and assigns, I HEREBY:

1. Acknowledge that an equine may, without warning or apparent cause, buck, stumble, rear, fall, bolt, kick, bite, run, spook, jump, make unpredictable fight or flight movements, step on a person's foot or body, push, shove, or pin a person; tack and equipment may loosen, break, or fail which may cause the rider to fall or be jolted, resulting in serious injury or death.
  2. Acknowledge that horseback riding is an inherently dangerous activity and involves risks that may cause serious injury and in some cases, death, because of the unpredictable nature and irrational behavior of equines, regardless of age, training, or past performance.
  3. Voluntarily assume the risk and danger of injury or death inherent in the use of the equine, equipment, tack, facility, barns, trails, obstacles, and arenas provided to me by Frantz Family Farm LLC, hereinafter referred to as the Stable.
  4. Release, discharge, and promise not to sue the Stable, doing business under its name or any other name and/or any of its owners, employees, volunteers, and agents, hereinafter referred to as the Releasee's, for any loss, liability, damages, or cost whatsoever arising out of or related to any loss, damage, or injury including death to my person or property.
  5. Release the Releasee's from any claim that such Releasee's are or may be negligent in connection with my riding experience or ability including but not limited to training or selecting horses, maintenance, care, fit or adjustment of equipment, instruction or riding skills, leading, or supervising riders.
  6. Indemnify and save and hold harmless the Stable, owners, instructors, employees, agents from and against any loss, liability, damage, or cost they may incur arising out of or in any way connected with either my use of the horse and any equipment or gear provided there with or any acts or omissions of Releasee's.
  7. The undersigned expressly agrees that the foregoing release and waiver of liability, assumption of risk, and indemnity agreement is governed by the State of Pennsylvania and is intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted by Pennsylvania law, RIDE AT YOUR OWN RISK, and that in the event any portion of this Agreement is determined to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the validity, legality, and enforceability of the balance of this Agreement shall not be affected or impaired in any way and shall continue in full legal force and effect.
  8. Acknowledge that this document is a contract and agree that if a lawsuit is filed against the Stable or its owner, agents, employees, volunteers, for any injury or damage in breach of this contract, the Undersigned will pay all attorney's fees and costs incurred by the Stable in defending such an action.
  9. State that I am not now pregnant and that I have no history of epileptic seizures, heart conditions, or any severe medical diagnosis that could be affected by horseback riding.
  10. It is recommended that all riders wear protective helmets, it is my understanding that a protective helmet is available to all riders and I understand that helmets are required for all riders under the age of 18.
- I decline to wear a helmet and attest I am over the age of 18: \_\_\_\_\_ (initial here)
11. If the person who is entering this agreement is under the age of 18, their parent or guardian must read and sign below on behalf of the minor.

I have read this entire Release of Liability Document. I understand it is a promise to not sue and to release the Stable, its owners, employees, volunteers, and agents for all claims. I have made a free and deliberate choice to sign this Release of Liability Document as a condition to Releasee's allowing me or my child to ride or handle a horse. I have concluded that the risks involved and the release and waiver of liability is worth the pleasure of the horseback riding experience and activities.

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Name of Child if signing for Minor: \_\_\_\_\_