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REINS Riders and Guardians –

The 2018 riding season is approaching and we are beginning the registration process.

- If you have pre-registered thank you. You will be receiving your assigned class time in February. You will still need to fill out a full application form and submit your medical forms. Please submit your registration form now and your medical form as they become available from your physician.
- If you are have not pre-registered, you will need to fill out the application form and submit your deposit, and have an initial phone intake done with our instructor before you will be assigned to a class. Your medical forms may be submitted later as they are available from your physician.

Your participation in REINS is important to us. We share so many memories of classes and milestones reached with each rider, instructor and volunteer. Our instructors, volunteers and Board members are looking forward to an exciting program this year and hope you will continue to be a part of this great program. We encourage you to carefully read all policies in full as there are important changes.

We are excited to welcome new instructors to our program for 2018. This allows us to expand our class offerings and greatly increase the number of clients served. About the 2018 program:

- The arena is located on County Highway O between the Sheboygan County Airport and Highway 32. The address is W 2649 County Trunk O, Sheboygan Falls, Wisconsin.
- For 2018, the program will run for 10 weeks. Classes will not be offered the week of July 4th.
- The classes will start on June 11th, 201 and end on August 24th, 2018.
- Lessons are limited. Scheduling is done first for our pre-registered riders, then based on receipt date of completed application and deposit. Once all lessons are filled, a waitlist will be created.
- We will be billing for the 10 week season.
- You will need to indicate on the registration forms the weeks you will be attending for scheduling purposes only. Class fees are for the entire season regardless of number of weeks attended. Make-up lessons are available only on a limited basis depending on avail slots and rider ability. Knowing in advance the classes you will be unable to attend due to vacations, etc. will assist us in making rescheduling possible.
- We will be offering classes on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.
- We will be offering classes that focus on therapeutic riding skills for riders having a disability at 2:45, 4:00, 5:15 and 6:30 on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays and 10:00, 11:15, 2:45, 4:00, 5:15 and 6:30 on Thursdays.

- There will be limited private and semi-private lessons offered for those who need special instruction. These lessons must be requested specially and approved by the evaluating instructor.
- The cost will be \$400 for ten 50-minute group therapeutic riding class, \$450 for ten 40-minute semi private lessons and \$500 for ten 30-minute private lesson. The actual cost for each participant for ten weeks of therapeutic classes is \$1,220. REINS, Inc. is able to subsidize the majority of this cost through the generosity of individual and corporate sponsors as well as foundation grants and proceeds from fundraising events. Our rider fees cover approximately one-third of the actual cost.
- Our Instructor will be completing an evaluation with each participant prior to first lesson.

Attached/enclosed are the registration forms, liability forms that need to be signed, medical information forms and scholarship application forms. Please mail the completed forms to our post office box or send electronically to our email address along with your \$50.00 deposit if you aren't pre registered. Medical forms may be returned after the other forms but must be completed before May 15, 2018.

Important facts and dates to remember

- Completed application forms due by April 1, 2018
- Scholarship Applications due by April 1, 2018
- Medical Forms due by May 15, 2018
- Minimum rider age of 4 years old by June 1, 2018
- Maximum rider weight – 200 pounds if needing sidewalkers for balance with a maximum weight of 220 pounds if rider is well balanced and sidewalkers are not needed. These limits are subject to horse availability, instructor evaluation and volunteer availability.

We are looking forward to working with you this summer. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Theresa Zimmermann, Reins, Inc. Program Director