

Requirements

Riders should:

- ★ **Walk, trot, & canter**
- ★ **Be in grade 6 through 12** (starting September 2017)
- ★ **Attend weekly 90-minute team practice** (Tuesday or Thursday, depending on level @ 6 PM starting the week of September 18, 2017)
- ★ **Maintain a weekly standing lesson with trainer**
- ★ **Plan to compete in five IEA shows between September and February** (and possibly Zone Regionals the weekend of 2/24/18, Zone Finals the weekend of 3/24/18 and Nationals in Spring 2018).

Riders and parents are encouraged to help with fundraising for BEC's IEA show on November 12th, 2017.

Costs

- ★ **Membership to the IEA: \$60** (to be paid to the IEA directly)
- ★ **IEA Team Package: \$800 for 10 practices per session**
Fall Session: Sept. - Dec. 2017 * Winter Session: Jan. - March 2018 * Spring Session: April - June 2018
One makeup date will be available. **Practices cannot be refunded, converted or carried over to the next session.**
- ★ **Each IEA show: \$200**
- ★ **Riders are expected to have or invest in proper show attire.**
Please let us know if you have any questions.
- ★ **Team apparel will be available for purchase but not mandatory the first season.**

Have questions? Want to join?

Please contact us at BECshowteam@gmail.com or
(201) 336-3370 or fill out an application



Bergen Equestrian Center's IEA Team



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What is the IEA?



The Interscholastic Equestrian Association is a non-profit organization whose mission is to introduce students (grades 6-12) 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 6-8 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 is excited to be co-hosting our first IEA show at BEC on November 12, 2017.**

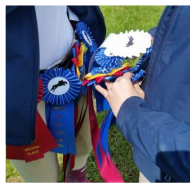


Students ride horses that are provided by the host barn and chosen by a random draw. This equalizes competition variables and tests the horsemanship of the contestants.

Riders must participate in at least 2 shows and earn at least 18 points individually to qualify for 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 90-minute 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 www.RideIEA.org where you can watch a short commercial and promotional video.

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.**
- ★ **As an introduction to 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 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 minimal 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.**