



KEN CARYL RIDING SCHOOL

303-972-8456

Mission Statement

The Ken Caryl Riding School provides a safe instructional riding program for riders at beginning levels. The School teaches total horsemanship including horse handling, care and riding, with experienced instructors for students of all ages. We offer Beginner levels (I through III) in both Western and English riding on school horses, or on leased and privately-owned horses. Student's progress as they complete the skills and knowledge required at each level. Independent instructors are available for students who have outgrown the riding school program.

Policies

The Riding School provides horses, tack and helmets. We recommend that students ride in Western or English riding boots depending on their discipline; those who are committed to riding long-term are encouraged to purchase their own helmets. Riders wishing to jump more than 18" must own or lease a private horse after gaining the necessary flatwork skills in the School Program.

Liability Release Waivers

Liability Release Waivers are required for all riders, and minors must have a parent or legal guardian sign before students participate in any horse-related activity. We reserve the right to withhold teaching any person deemed unsuitable for our lesson program; behavior judged dangerous for other students or horses is unacceptable, and may be grounds for dismissal from the School.

Resident vs. Non-resident tuition

The Ken Caryl Equestrian Center is owned by the residents of Ken Caryl and is an amenity to the Community. Therefore, non-residents who decide to participate in any activity in the Ken Caryl Community (swim lessons, exercise classes, riding lessons, etc.) are subject to a non-resident usage fee. The fee established here at the Equestrian Center is an additional \$5 per lesson.

Lesson Tuition

For riders participating in lessons the fee schedule is as follows:

	Resident	Non-Residents
Private Lesson	\$55	\$60
Semi-Private Lesson	\$45	\$50
Group Lesson	\$140/month	\$160/month

A Semi-Private lesson is a lesson with two students at the same level of riding skill. A group lesson is a lesson with three or more students at the same level, with no more than six students per lesson.

Talk to your instructor about options for a group lesson make-up.

Payment Requirements

Payment for lessons can be made by check or cash. Make checks payable to KCRMA (Ken Caryl Ranch Master Association). When you take part in a **group** lesson it is expected that you pay on a monthly basis for total. In order to offer this reduced monthly rate you will need to pay the full monthly rate even if you miss a lesson as that spot cannot be filled.

Group lesson payments are due at the time of the first lesson of each month. Private and Semi-Private lesson payments are due at the time of each lesson. On-line payment is now available at www.ken-carylranh.org. See the office for more details and to set up an account.

Cancellation Policy

Our instructors are paid by each lesson/student they teach. Several of our instructors live outside the community and travel time can take up to 45 minutes one way, therefore, it is vital for you to communicate with them if your rider is unable to attend his/her lesson. If you cancel after the required cancellation period or your student misses his/her lesson without calling, the full lesson will be charged to your account. A notice to your instructor will allow them the opportunity to fill that lesson time slot or rearrange other students' lessons.

Private Lessons: 24 Hours Notice

No Shows and notice after 24 hours will be billed for the FULL LESSON!

Semi-Private Lessons: 48 Hours Notice

No Shows and notice after 48 hours will be billed for the FULL LESSON!

**Emergencies will be handled on a case-by-case basis.*

Instructors

Below are the numbers of our instructors:

Debbi Harrell	720-635-2102
Melissa Marlow	541-390-5177
Angela Rothe	916-220-7351
Baylee Sheppard	720-532-4882

Our riding instructors have lesson calendars that extend months in advance. If you know you will be gone a certain week/day, please let them know as soon as possible so that they may try to fill those lesson time slots while you are gone.

Inclement Weather

We understand how frustrating Colorado weather can be and how it can change quickly. We do our best to keep our lesson schedule running as smoothly as possible and try to cancel as few lessons as possible.

We hold lessons even if it is snowing since we have access to an indoor arena. Reasons for cancelling lessons would include very low temperatures (below 25 degrees) and slippery/dangerous road conditions.

Please call our school phone line 303-972-8456 or your instructor for updated lesson information. We will post the update by 2pm. If there is no updated weather information on this line then lessons will be held as scheduled.

If after your student arrives and the weather becomes inclement, we will hold an “indoor” lesson. Indoor lessons will be given by the instructor and will be used to review and quiz students on their horse knowledge. Our school program promotes more than just riding skills. As an equestrian rider, your student should be knowledgeable about horse body parts, veterinarian care, diseases, and basic horse care.

In the event the weather turns severe after your student has been dropped off, we will cancel all lessons and call you ASAP to pick up your student. Riding School staff will remain with all students until they are safely picked up.