



Things You Need to Know

Smoke Free Policy _____ (initial here)

The entire Strides' grounds (including the parking lot) is designated as smoke free, due to the inherent danger of fire near barn and/or garden materials:

- ❖ Please refrain from smoking during your entire visit at Strides

Clothing Policy _____ (initial here)

Attire serves an important role at Strides to Success. Safety is of highest priority, but comfort is important also. For that reason, the following items:

- ❖ should be worn:
 - * Hard shoes or boots with heels ---- no opened toed shoes
 - * Long pants or jeans that fit at waist or a belt to keep them at your waist
- ❖ should not be worn:
 - * No spaghetti straps
 - * Avoid loose scarves or anything that dangles
 - * Do not wear fragrances, to avoid attracting bugs

Attendance _____ (initial here)

Strides' participants depend on your consistency to provide services effectively. However, Strides' staff understands that, at times, things can be out of one's control and you may not be able to attend a scheduled lesson or program:

- ❖ In this event, please call Strides at your earliest convenience and leave a message for the staff member overseeing the program you have committed to
- ❖ If you do not call and do not attend a scheduled lesson or program twice in a row, you may possibly forfeit your time slot

Arrival _____ (initial here)

Plan to arrive a few minutes early so that the participant can be fully ready to begin their session at the appointed time:

- ❖ Please be sure to drive slowly and carefully on the gravel drive; speed limit on gravel drive is 5 MPH. This helps to keep down the dust and avoid flying rocks to ensure safety for you as well as the students and horses
- ❖ Please leave personal items in your car
- ❖ Take a seat in the waiting area until instructor arrives
- ❖ Everything has its place; assist with keeping the waiting area and bathrooms tidy

Parking _____ (initial here)

Please be considerate when choosing a parking location:

- ❖ There is a designated handicapped parking space located near the front door. We ask you to save this spot for those clients and volunteers who need them.
- ❖ To utilize the parking lot as best we can we ask that you would park cars closely together. There is room for 3 spaces on the right hand side if planned accordingly.

Grounds Rules _____ (initial here)

To promote the safety of both human and equine, the Strides' grounds are not open to the public:

- ❖ Please ensure your guests stay within our designated waiting areas while here:
 - * Guests may utilize the indoor waiting lobby, up to the reception desk
 - * The reception desk is reserved for Staff use only
 - * Guests may enjoy the front porch benches or picnic tables; however, no roaming or play activity beyond the concrete porch pad
 - * The horse playground behind the building is off limits to all volunteers, participants and or visitors unless instructed otherwise and escorted by a Strides Staff Member

Barn Rules _____ (initial here)

The Strides to Success team works together to stay organized and safe. To ensure this please keep the following in mind:

- ❖ Return helmets, tack and any supplies to their designated places
- ❖ Gates should be left the way they were found. If open leave open, if closed leave closed
- ❖ Horses are on a feeding program so check with a staff member before sharing treats
- ❖ Never hand feed the horses
- ❖ Alcohol is prohibited

Bad Weather _____ (initial here)

The Strides Staff requests that you use your better judgment with regard to travel during questionable weather:

- ❖ If you determine the weather is too dangerous for travel, please contact Strides to cancel your appointment.
- ❖ In the winter months please be attentive to school closings due to bad weather: if the Plainfield School System is closed, so is Strides

I have read and understand these policies. I accept full responsibility, for myself and all persons I bring with me to any appointment at Strides to Success, to follow these policies carefully.

Name _____

Date _____