

The Riding For Reading Class

The Riding For Reading Class is the flagship activity of the non-profit (501 (c)3) organization. This unique class allows riders from 1st grade through 12th grade to represent their schools and to win grant money for their school's library. The Riding For Reading Class stands out in the equestrian community as a one-of-a-kind event.

Schools

Win

Too!



Aaron Miller - 1997 Child Mount Champion
(Sacramento, California)

The Riding For Reading Class:

- Awards grant money to the school libraries of participating riders
- Welcomes and encourages riders of all levels and abilities to participate
- Judges riders on their riding ability and the performance of their horse

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Who Wins in the Riding For Reading Class?

Every rider who participates...*and schools win too!*



Child Mount Class of 1998 (Sacramento, California)

Everyone is a winner in Riding For Reading. Riders receive ribbons, donated prizes, and enjoy competing on behalf of their schools. For many riders, this is their first experience representing their school. Schools win too. Each child competing in the Riding For Reading Class earns a grant for his or her school's library. No matter where the riders rank, their schools receive grants of varying levels. Because of the unique, flexible structure of the Riding For Reading Class, 1st graders are compete with 12th graders, and the Riding For Reading program is available to english, western, and dressage riders.



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Who Benefits

From The Riding For Reading Class?

The benefits of the Riding For Reading Class are numerous and wide-reaching. Schools benefit as a result of the monetary assistance provided to each rider's school library. These grants allow librarians to purchase books and materials they otherwise could not afford. Students benefit from additional and new material in their libraries. Riders benefit by their participation in the Riding For Reading Class. Not only do they win prizes and gifts, but they have the honor of providing much needed additional funding to their school's library.

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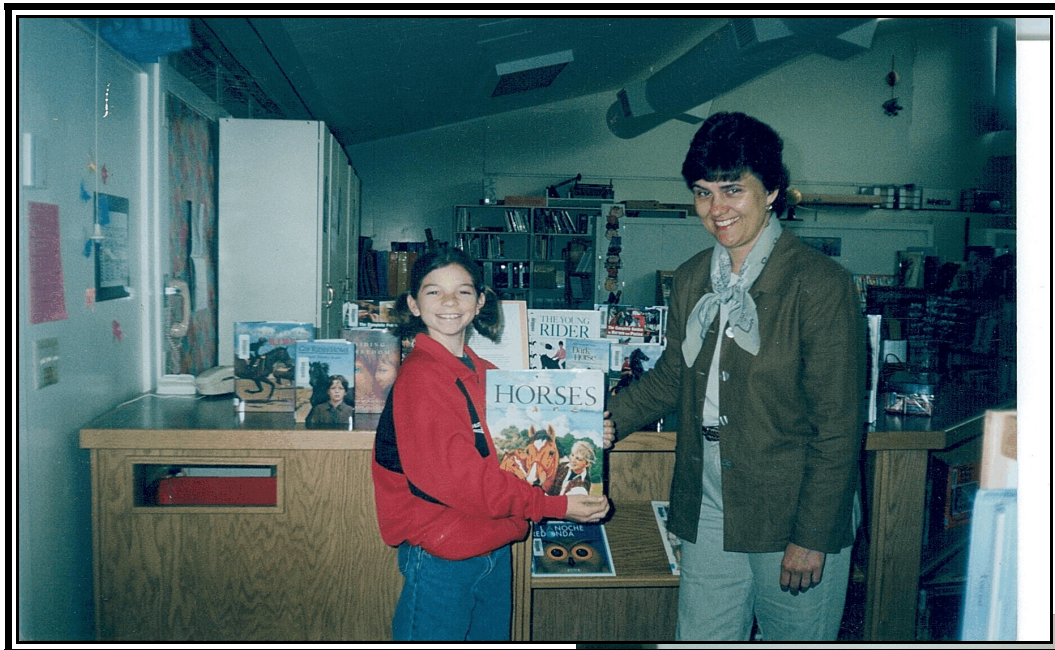
the Riding For Reading Class, all of the riders write thank you notes to the many sponsors and supporters of Riding For Reading.



Writing thank you notes...

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The greatest benefit for many of the riders is the recognition they receive from their schools. In the United States, equestrian sports are relatively obscure in relation to mainstream sports like football, basketball and baseball. Many young equestrians go unnoticed by their schools. Riding For Reading grants have catapulted many of these riders into the limelight and given them much deserved recognition for their achievements and accomplishments.



Veery Maxwell with
Librarian Mrs. Pinkerton



...and having fun!

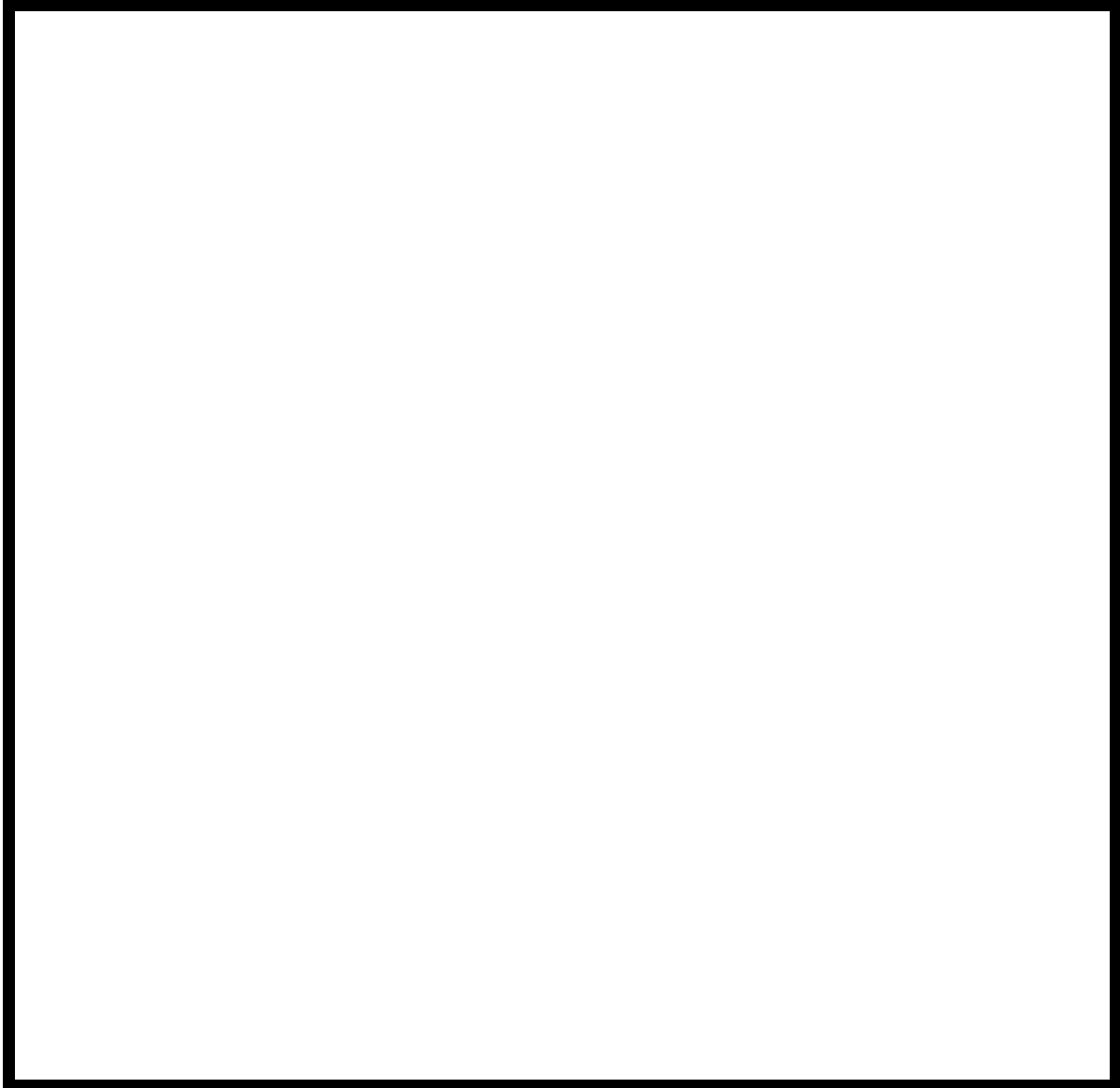
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The Riding For Reading Class breaks the barrier between the rider's athletic endeavors and his or her academic goals. As they receive recognition during school assemblies, pep rallies, have their awards displayed in trophy cases, and are profiled in school and community newspapers, young riders become more invested in their school. These are honors most young equestrians do not realize without programs such as Riding For Reading.

After participating in the Riding For Reading Class, riders see the direct benefit of their efforts in the show ring carry over to their scholastic communities. Most important, at young ages these riders learn they can make a difference. They see that their skills result in tangible benefits to their school and all the students at the school.

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What do the riders like about Riding For Reading's Child Mount Class?

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