



# Equestrian Team Information & Participation Form

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**Please complete all pages of this form and forward to:**

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Welcome to the Victory College Equestrian Program! The program is open to students of all ages and riding abilities; from young students still on lead-line, through to advanced students who spend every weekend attending competitions.

In order to join the Equestrian team you will require your own horse, tack and transportation i.e. horse float. You will also require appropriate clothing for riding and competition. There is a \$100 levy (per student, per term) to participate in the College Equestrian program. This levy must be paid at the commencement of each College term. Only once the levy has been paid is the student able to participate in the program. Lessons are held after school on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays during the school term, in the Equestrian Centre.

## Communication

College Equestrian families keep in touch through the 'Equestrian at Victory College' Facebook page. This is a private group so you need to request to join and answer the questions about your relationship to a current student. The purpose of this page is to keep the College Equestrian community in touch with College Equestrian training and events. We also like to share our students' successes on this page whether they be inter-school, Pony Club or other equestrian pursuits.

## Uniform

**Training:** Long pants, College Equestrian Team polo shirt, boots and helmet.

**Sporting:** White jodhpurs with College logo (beige jodhpurs will be allowed at some events), Equestrian Polo Shirt, black or brown jodhpur boots, white College saddle blanket and College brow band.

**Formal competition:** White jodhpurs with College logo, long sleeve white shirt with collar and school tie, Equestrian vest (navy jacket with logo required for IQ events), black or brown jodhpur boots, white College saddle blanket and College brow band.

Polo shirts, vests, ties, saddle blankets and brow bands can be purchased through the uniform shop.



## Safety equipment

Appropriate healed riding boots are to be worn at all times.

As per Equestrian Australia policy, an approved helmet must be worn at all times with the chinstrap done up. Protective headgear must conform with one of the current approved safety standards:

- Current Australian standard AS/NZS 3838 (2006 onwards) provided they are SAI Global marked.
- New Australian standard ARB HS 2012 provided they are SAI Global marked.
- Current American standard ASTM F1163 (2004a or 04a onwards) provided they are SEI marked.
- Current American standard SNELL E2001.
- Current British standard PAS 015 (1998 or 2011) provided they are BSI Kitemarked.
- Interim European Standard VG1 (01.040: 2014-12) with or without BSI Kitemark.

Safety vests are recommended for jumping, but not compulsory.

## Tack

Correctly fitted tack of English, Stock or Western style is acceptable depending on the discipline being taught. Bitless bridles are acceptable for training.

## Horses

Horses must be at least 4 years of age, sound and of an appropriate type for the rider. Horses deemed to be unsafe for the child in question will be asked to leave. No stallions or rigs allowed under any circumstances.

## Immunisations

Tetanus / Strangles is recommended (but not compulsory) on a yearly basis. Hendra vaccination is not required.

## Forms

A Multiple Entry Biosecurity Health Declaration Form needs to be completed for all horses that you will be bringing onto the property complete with your RBE (Registered Biosecurity Entity) number and the PIC (Property Identification Code) of the place your horses are coming and going from. After this, each week when you book a lesson online (link sent via the private Facebook group), you will just be asked to provide the PIC and horses name.

The indemnity form incorporated in this form needs to be signed for each student, each year.

## Stables

Horses may be stabled at the Victory College Equestrian Centre during the day for lessons on that day. No horses may stay overnight. Stables must be clearly labeled with the horse's name and the name of the person responsible for the horse. All manure, wet or soiled bedding must be removed from the stable and placed on the manure pile and replaced with clean sawdust / wood shavings before leaving.



## Vehicles

Please observe the speed limits within the College grounds. Give way to students, horses and buses at all times. We ask you to refrain from using the Equestrian Entry between 8:20am and 9:00am of a morning and 2:30pm and 3:05pm of an afternoon when our College buses are coming and going.

**After-school Equestrian Program (Training):** Training is held after school on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, with other training organised as needed. Although training is not compulsory, we would expect that all members participate in some training before competing on behalf of the College.

## Competitions

Students may compete in local inter-school 'friendly' competitions (non-Equestrian Queensland comps) such as the Fraser Coast Inter-school Equestrian Competition (Maryborough) and / or in IQ (Interschool Queensland) events. The later require Equestrian Australia membership.

Students / Parents are responsible for nomination for all events (online), transport, camping and fees. Parents are responsible for all costs and supervision at events.



## EQUESTRIAN TEAM PARTICIPATION & INDEMNITY FORM

(To be completed at the start of every school year)

Name:

Year Level:

Medical details/Allergies/Pre-existing Injuries:

### Code of Conduct (student)

As we are all ambassadors of the College, we request that students agree to the following code of conduct as a condition of their involvement in the Victory College Equestrian Team.

I \_\_\_\_\_ as a student of Victory College agree to the following conditions:

1. I agree to participate as an active member of the Victory College Equestrian Team.
2. I understand that the Equestrian Coordinator's decisions are final and I will accept such decisions.
3. I understand that the decisions of officials running inter-school events are final and I will accept such decisions.
4. I will be respectful to staff, parents, team members, volunteers, instructors and officials at all times.
5. I agree to uphold the Victory College values of honour, excellence and service in all that I do.
6. I understand that failure to live up to the code of conduct will affect my continuing participation in College activities in the future.

I have read and understood the above conditions. I understand that failure to live up to the code of conduct will affect my continuing participation in College activities.

Student signature:

Date:

Parent Names:

### Code of Conduct (parent)

I have read the above statement and I agree to support the school in the maintenance of the code of conduct in relation to my son / daughter. I understand that failure to live up to the code of conduct may put my child's continued participation in the Victory College Equestrian Team and inter-school competitions in jeopardy.

I also acknowledge that the primary responsibility for my child's supervision / duty of care rests with me.

Parent's signature:

Date:



## STUDENT CONSENT - EQUESTRIAN PROGRAM

I, \_\_\_\_\_(insert student name), acknowledge that the safety precautions, including but not limited to, helmet supply and fitting undertaken are a service to me and other participants. I further acknowledge that they are not a guarantee of safety.

I understand that horses are unpredictable by nature, that when frightened a horses instinct is to jump forward or sideways, to run away from danger, to kick, to rear up, buck or bite. I understand risks with horses can further be complicated by weather, lack of specific fitness by participants, remoteness of the activity and difficulties in evacuation.

I agree that at any time should I feel unsafe I will immediately inform my instructor and cease to participate in the lesson.

By signing this consent I declare that the information I have provided is true and correct, I am in sound condition and undertake participation with the knowledge of the physical demands required. I consent to receiving any medical treatment, including ambulance transportation should the College think desirable during or after participating.

### Participants horse handling, riding, personal and group responsibilities

I acknowledge and agree that I participate at my own risk;

- I agree to follow Victory College staff members and instructors instructions at all times. I understand that following correct instruction will assist me in learning and practice responsible and safe procedures regarding horse management and equestrian as a whole;
- While College staff and instructors will inspect riding equipment prior to and during the lesson, I agree I am also responsible for checking my equipment, including the saddle. If there are any problems, or the saddle becomes loose, I will tell a staff member or instructor immediately;
- I agree I am responsible for any reckless or irresponsible acts performed by myself that result in injuries to the Victory College premises, property owned by others or injuries to other people;
- I acknowledge that Victory College staff may, at any time, request a student and/or horse combination to leave the Equestrian Centre and/or College grounds; and I agree to do so immediately without question or confrontation;
- I will abide by the following golden rule - 'In everything, do to others what you would have them do to you.' Matthew 7:12. By acknowledging this every participant can contribute to and enjoy a high quality, friendly and enjoyable learning experience.
- I agree that I will make Victory College staff or instructors aware of any problems that arise during my participation in equine studies as and (if) when any problems arise.



## STUDENT CONSENT - EQUESTRIAN PROGRAM

*All minors must have a parent or guardian co-sign this acknowledgement. All parents/guardians must also complete and sign the Parental Consent Form.*

• By signing my name below, I \_\_\_\_\_(insert student name) hereby agree to comply with all of the terms and conditions stated above. I have carefully read this acknowledgement and indemnity. I understand it, and voluntarily agree to all of the terms contained in same.

• I \_\_\_\_\_(insert student name) acknowledge, understand and agree that these terms and conditions apply every time I participate in Equestrian at Victory College whether on College grounds or at an external event.

Students Name: (Please print legibly)	Students Signature:
Parent 1 Name: (Please print legibly)	Parent 1 Signature:
Parent 2 Name: (Please print legibly)	Parent 2 Signature:
Date:	



## PARENT CONSENT - EQUESTRIAN PROGRAM

I/we \_\_\_\_\_ (insert parent/s name), parents/guardian of \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ (insert student name), hereby assume all of the risks associated  
 with our child \_\_\_\_\_ (insert student name)  
 (DOB \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_) participating in any/all activities associated with the Equestrian Program at  
 Victory College including but not limited to general horsemanship and safety, handling and  
 groundwork.

We confirm that \_\_\_\_\_ (insert student name) is physically fit, has  
 confirmed they would like to participate in this activity, and has not been advised to not participate  
 by a qualified medical professional. We certify that there are no health-related reasons or  
 problems which preclude \_\_\_\_\_ (insert student name) from  
 participation in this activity.

We acknowledge that this Parental Consent Form will be used by Victory College in which  
 \_\_\_\_\_ (insert student name) may participate in equine  
 activities, and that it will govern \_\_\_\_\_ (insert student name)  
 actions and responsibilities at said activity.

We hereby consent to \_\_\_\_\_ (insert student name) receiving  
 medical treatment which may be deemed advisable in the event of injury, accident, and/or illness  
 during this activity.

I/we certify that I/we, \_\_\_\_\_ (insert parent/s  
 name), have read this document and we fully understand its content. I/we sign it of my/our own free  
 will.

Parent 1 Name:  
 (Please print legibly)

Parent 1 Signature:

Parent 2 Name:  
 (Please print legibly)

Parent 2 Signature:

Date:

