

Clinic descriptions:

Groundwork, Level 1 Foundation Class: The start of basic ground communication which is the start of resolving the questions your horse has regarding your suggestions. You will begin to learn the difference between a horse that is scared versus a horse that is dominant. This is a direct tie in to when you are riding and your communication from the saddle. This course helps establish your safety and leadership. You will learn the how-to's of approaching your horse and what they are telling you in response.

Groundwork, Level 1 Advanced Class: Building on the foundation of the Level 1 Foundation Class. This class will not be with obstacles. Pre-requisites, you must be able to yield the fore-hand, and the hind quarters with minimal suggestion and no argument from your horse in order to participate in this class.

Groundwork, Level 2: Ground communication for a purpose using obstacles and longer lines. Enforcing Level 1 basic communication and giving the horse more responsibility. You will learn softness through your asking so your horse can give you more. In addition, this course will show you how your horse might handle a situation while you are riding. This course develops confidence in you and your horse using the approach and retreat methods.

Riding, Level 1: Consists of the proper way to tack up your horse including conquering bridling problems. This course will include proper saddle fit using one of the many trees available to me through my **Horsemanship and Trail Saddle** business. We will start with groundwork as preparation for riding in the saddle. This course helps you understand how your legs communicate to your horse through the groundwork you've already established. It will also show you how the reins talk to the feet. This course not only develops your confidence but also helps you understand how to clear up the misunderstandings you might be having while riding. Gaits: walk and trot only

Riding, Level 2: By the time you have reached this course you should have already established positive communication cues and your horse is responding accordingly. We will start with groundwork as preparation for riding in the saddle. We will ride through patterns that will help enforce and further develop your riding suggestions. We will also use obstacles in this class. Gaits: Walk and trot, canter transitions

Riding, Level 3: This course is designed to help you maneuver through obstacles you may happen upon away from your horses' home territory. You will learn the how-to's of obstacles introduction in turn making your horse the calmest, smartest, bravest horse he/she can be, through your leadership and guidance. Gaits: walk, trot, canter, simple lead changes and beginning jumping