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Dear Prospective Student,

I'd like to welcome you to MacNair's Country Acres. We have a 40-year history in Raleigh and are a fully integrated equestrian facility that includes boarding, riding lessons for adults and children, a breeding program and home to the NC State equestrian team. Our goal is to help you develop as a well rounded horseperson. Our lesson philosophy is simple: combine a structured curriculum to teach a foundation of riding and horsemanship skills with safe, well trained lesson horses, and quality instructors so that our students can build the confidence and skills to excel in and enjoy riding as a lifetime sport. A focus on personal growth and responsibility are the essential elements we encourage in our riders.

In addition to mounted lessons, we also concentrate on building a safe and solid foundation in working with and handling horses. A good horseperson is skilled in all aspects of riding and horse care. In order to achieve this, sound training techniques, safety, and good riding basics are the foundation for all of our riding classes. We want our students to achieve their riding goals, whether they are pleasure riders or horse owners. Whatever your riding goals are we are sure to have a program for you.

We enjoy a host of activities on the farm. Please refer to our website www.macnairscountryacres.com to see all of our offerings outside of regular lessons.

Please read through the enclosed material to become familiar with our programs, policies, procedures. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the office for clarification.

As a new student at MacNairs Country Acres, we are pleased to provide you with the 2011-2012 registration packet. This packet includes:

1. a brief overview of the Riding School Program, our policies and procedures
2. copies of the required forms and agreements to completed and returned to the office including --
 - Lesson registration forms (p.7)
 - Liability Agreement (p.8-10)
 - Payment Options Form (p. 11)
 - Enrollment agreement (p.12-13)
 - Deposit payment agreement (p.14)

Sincerely,

Nancy Demus
Director of Riding Programs

MacNair's Riding School

Riding lessons . . . are the foundation of our educational programs at MacNair's. The Riding School has been teaching students to ride for over forty years and offers lessons for students ranging in age from six years old to adult, and of all skill levels in both group and private lessons.

Getting Started

Beginners start in our **Earn Your Stirrups** program to develop basic position and control before moving to a group lesson. Earn Your Stirrups is a package of eight private or semi-private lessons that give you the critical skills to ride competently in a group or in the ring with other riders. Individualized attention from the instructor allows the student to progress at his or her own pace. The lessons focus on the correct position for the rider and basic control of the horse at both the walk and trot. Students will also learn horsemanship skills in order to be comfortable grooming, tacking, handling and leading the horse and to become acquainted with basic horse behavior. Each lesson time is 60 minutes with approximately 30 minutes of mounted, in-the-saddle time. After Earn Your Stirrups, riders may choose to remain in Private Lessons or, if an appropriate level is available, enroll in an existing group lesson in Pony School or Community School.

Group and Private Lessons

Our Riding School is broken into two school programs: The Community School and Pony School. Group classes for both the Community and Pony School programs are assembled and follow the Wake Country traditional school calendar. The 2011 – 2012 riding calendar will run August 26 – June 4. Group lessons meet at the same time each week and are arranged according to skill levels. All other lesson formats are scheduled as appointments and are subject to instructor availability.

Our system of teaching follows standards of riding set forth by the American National Riding Commission. We have created a curriculum that we follow for each level we teach. We break our curriculum into 3 levels for Pony School (Pony School 1, 2, and 3) and 5 levels for Community School (Elementary 1, 2, and 3, Intermediate 1 and 2). Within each level of riding, we have further broken down the components of the curriculum in to A,B,C, or D with A being the beginning of the curriculum and D being near the end of the curriculum for that level. A rider rating is attributed to every rider so that we can offer riders the best riding education possible. The rating allows us to group students homogenously by age and skill level so that group instruction can be targeted to the needs of the individual and so that instructors have meaningful goals in both group and private sessions in which to aim. Please know progressing safely through the riding levels requires a solid foundation. Do not be surprised to find that often the strength, muscle memory and coordination will take more than a year for some to progress to the next level.

Pony School Lessons (ages 6-9)... are designed for riders 6 to 9 years of age with previous horse experience or who have graduated from our Earn Your Stirrups rider program. Pony School classes are weekly 1 hour 15 minute lessons. The class time includes riding as well as tacking and/or untacking plus horsemanship skills and time around the horses. Class size is limited to a maximum of five students who ride well-trained ponies with years of experience in the ring and on trails. We encourage safe young riders with a solid foundation in riding and horsemanship.

Community School Lessons (ages 10-adult)... are for riders over 9 years with previous horse experience or who have graduated from our Earn Your Stirrups rider program. Group lesson students typically ride for 1 hour. This does not include time to tack or untack, so we ask riders to plan to be at the barn 20-30 minutes before the lesson starts in order to tack and allow time at the end of the lesson for cooling out and taking care of your horse. We believe that all students should know and practice standard safety rules for working around horses and will continually observe and apply these rules at each lesson.

Private Lessons are also available as a supplement to our group lesson students or for students who desire one-on-one time with an instructor who will tailor the session to each individual rider's needs and desires. Private lessons allow the rider to learn at his/her own pace and achieve individual goals. Riders in the private lesson program will need to buy a package of private lessons to receive a discount on the cost of the lessons. Four lesson packages must be used within 2 months of purchase. Eight lesson packages must be used within 4 months of purchase. Once enrolled, riders will automatically be reenrolled in the same package when the package runs-out for the duration of the academic year. Please contact the office to sign up for packages or schedule private lessons.

Our Special Programs... provide opportunities for our students to participate in educational programs, social clubs, specialized training programs and riding camps. You can learn more about any of these programs by calling the office or checking on our website www.macnairscountryacres.com/clubs.htm.

Some of the programs we offer our enrolled students are listed below.

- **MacNair's 4-H club** – offered to our student's (ages 9 to 18 years). It provides yet another avenue for building critical horse skills, good sportsmanship, and leadership.
- **Cloverbud clinics** – a "pre - 4-H" program which meets once a month for un-mounted sessions with an emphasis on horse care, handling and theory. Open to riders ages 6-9
- **Barn Days** – a special opportunity for our enrolled students to get an idea of what it's like to take care of or own a horse.
- **Video clinics** – offered throughout the year to give riders the opportunity to see what they look like on a horse and review with an instructor.
- **Holiday Horse Leasing** – during certain times of the year students can schedule time to independently ride our school horses outside of the regular lesson times.
- **Lectures and Clinics** – are offered throughout the year on subjects such as showing, judging, horse care and stable management, horse ownership, plus many other topics.
- **School Horse Shows** – provide a great opportunity for Riding School students to experience competition and demonstrate their skills for family and friends.

The programs below are open to the public and do not require enrollment in any of our riding programs.

- **Farm Days** – a morning to come and learn how a working farm operates.
- **Summer and Trackout Camps** – offered in the summer for children on a traditional calendar and during 'track out' times throughout the year for the year-round student.

Instructors:

MacNair's Country Acres instructors are mature adults who have many years experience with children and horses. Many of our instructors are rated riders with the Affiliated National Riding Commission. We are committed to safety in the barn and on the horse and teach these rules to our students. As educators we work to keep updated on teaching methods and theory and strive to teach the whole person rather than just the rider.

Policies and Procedures for all Riding Programs:

Rider Requirements

MacNair's Country Acres requires that rider's have health insurance. All riders or their guardians are required to provide current insurance information and to sign the application.

The following items are required and are NOT supplied by MacNair's Country Acres.

- An SEI / ASTM APPROVED riding helmet
- Long pants or breeches
- Sturdy shoes or boots, preferably above the ankle in height, with a smooth sole and a 1" square heel (*no* hiking boots or ripple soles)

There are several tack shops in the area that supply these items. M&M Tack Shop offers very competitive prices and is conveniently located at MacNair's Country Acres. Feel free to contact M&M Tack Shop directly at **919.851.0102**

Scheduling

Absences and Make-Up Lessons

- If you will be absent from a lesson for any reason, **24 hours notice is required** for a make-up lesson to be available.
- For lessons missed with less than 24 hours notice or for multiple weeks missed within a make-up period, you are able to purchase a make-up for a \$15 rescheduling fee.
- Late cancellations or 'no shows' will be billed just as if you had taken the lesson.
- You may take advantage of a make-up class for only one absence in a set period.
- The make-up periods for 2011-2012 are:
8/26-10/9 10/10-11/20 11/21-1/15/2012 1/16-2/26 2/27-4/8 4/9-6/4
- Make-up lessons remain on the books for one month. It is your responsibility to keep track of your available make-up lesson and schedule it through the office.

Weather Cancellations

Sometimes it's necessary to cancel lessons due to inclement weather. If your instructor deems it unsafe to ride, she will do her best to give you as much notice as possible, but sometimes storms hit suddenly and require last minute cancellations. You will receive a make-up if MacNair's has to cancel a class due to inclement weather. Classes ***do meet*** when it is raining! MacNair's Country Acres ***no longer*** follows the Wake County School System's Inclement Weather Policy. This means if school is closed for inclement weather, we may still be able to hold classes. If MacNair's cancels a class, we will call students as early as possible and the class will be rescheduled for an appropriate day and time.

Class Cancellations and Changes

We do strive to meet communicated class schedules; however, in the event of business requirements, we reserve the right to make class changes as is necessary.

Billing

We know how these economic times encourage us to plan how we spend our money. We have a billing process which allows you to better budget the costs of riding lessons. Lessons will be billed at the first of each month for the following month. For example, September 1 billing will be for October lessons. Payment is due by the 12th of the month that you receive the bill. For riders participating in once weekly group lessons, a deposit of \$295.00 for Pony School and \$325.00 for Community School lessons is due with this application. This deposit

covers an annual registration fee, the first 4 lessons of the academic year, and a security deposit of 2 lessons which is refunded or credited to your account upon proper withdrawal or year end.

For private lesson and special program riders, all lessons or special program activities must be paid at the time of service if the rider chooses not to leave a credit card on file.

In our continued effort to “go green”, MacNair’s offers you the option of receiving your statement via email. If this would be of benefit to you, please indicate such on the Payment Options Form.

Withdrawal

Temporary Withdrawal from the Lesson Program

Options if you will be away from your lesson for extended absences due to camps, travels or other reasons:

- (1) *Withdrawal from the lesson program* – Give at least two weeks written notice or email communication of your withdrawal. When you return, we will work with you to resume lessons in an appropriate class.
- (2) *Reserve your lesson slot* – Hold your lesson slot with full payment of the monthly tuition. This charge assures you of the same time slot when you return. Please give us two weeks advance notice of your return date. No make-up lessons will accrue during the reservation period.

Permanent Withdrawal from the Lesson Program

Give Proper Notice

We require **two weeks written notice of withdrawal** from the lesson program. The two weeks notice will begin upon receipt of your written notification.

Make-Up Lesson Considerations when Withdrawing

Make-up lessons are for currently enrolled students. They are scheduled in between your regular lessons. No make-ups are allowed after your date of withdrawal from the program.

Refunds

Other than your security deposit funds, no cash refunds can be given. However, if you have a prepaid lessons balance, this may be carried for up to 6 months, allowing you to return to the lesson program when your situation permits.

Lesson Fee Information – Effective August 26, 2011

<u>A LA CARTE LESSONS</u>	<u>COST</u>	<u>RIDING TIME</u>
Privates	\$75.00	45 minutes
Privates	\$65.00	30 minutes
Semi Privates	\$65.00	45 minutes
Mini Group	\$60.00	1 hour
8 Lesson Private Package	\$560.00	45 minutes
4 Lesson Private Package	\$290.00	45 minutes
8 Lesson Semi Private Package	\$480.00	45 minutes

IF CURRENTLY ENROLLED IN A WEEKLY GROUP LESSON

Privates	\$65.00	45 minutes
Privates	\$55.00	30 minutes
Semi Privates	\$60.00	45 minutes
8 Lesson Private Package	\$480.00	45 minutes
4 Lesson Private Package	\$250.00	45 minutes
8 Lesson Semi Private Package	\$440.00	45 minutes

<u>GROUP LESSONS</u>	<u>COST</u>	<u>CLASS LENGTH</u>	<u>RIDING TIME</u>
Weekly Community Group	\$50.00	1.50 hours	1 hour
Weekly Pony School Group	\$45.00	1.25 hours	45 minutes

Rider Rating

A rider rating is attributed to every rider so that we can offer riders the best riding education possible. The rating allows us to group students homogenously by age and skill level so that group instruction can be targeted to the needs of the individual and so that instructors have meaningful goals in both group and private sessions in which to aim.

Riders with experience wishing to join an ongoing group lesson must have an evaluation ride to be properly placed within a group.

Private Lessons

If you are interested in purchasing a private or semi-private lesson package, please indicate your choice below.

*Please
check
one*

	Program	Description	Fee
<input type="checkbox"/>	4- lesson private package	Students purchase 4 private lessons at a time for a discount. Must be used within 2 months of purchase.	\$290
<input type="checkbox"/>	8-lesson private package	Students purchase 8 private lessons at a time for a discount. Must be used within 4 months of purchase.	\$560
<input type="checkbox"/>	Semi Private Package	Students purchase 8 semi private lessons at a time for a discount. Must be used within 4 months of purchase.	\$480

Lesson Schedule Preference

Naturally, private lessons offer greater flexibility with time and scheduling. However, we would like to schedule a designated day/time with a designated instructor for your private lesson on a weekly or semi-weekly basis. Please indicate your schedule preference and day/time preferences in the box below and we will do our best to accommodate your desires.

Instructor Preference 1st Choice: _____ 2nd Choice: _____

Desired Lesson Day & Time 1st Choice _____ 2nd Choice: _____

3rd Choice: _____

**MACNAIR'S COUNTRY ACRES 2011-2012 PARTICIPANT ACTIVITY REGISTRATION,
LIABILITY WAIVER, RELEASE, HOLD HARMLESS AND RISK ACKNOWLEDGMENT AGREEMENT**

*Unless otherwise indicated, all requested information pertains to the participant who will be taking part in the program.

Registration for: Saddle Up____ Earn Your Stirrups____ Pony School____ Community School____ Camp____
Private Lessons____ Other (specify)_____ **Start Date:**_____

Name:_____

Address:_____

City:_____ **State:**_____ **Zip Code:**_____

E-mail address: _____

Tel #: [home]_____ [work]_____ [cell]_____

Date of Birth:_____ **Age:**_____ **Height**_____ **Weight**_____

Horseback Riding Experience, if registering for riding program:_____

Farm Experience, if any:_____

Medical Insurance information (please include companies and policy or group numbers):

School, if student: _____ **Grade:**_____

Traditional Schedule? Y/N **Year-Round Schedule?** Y/N (circle one) **Track** 1 2 3 4

Physical limitations, medical conditions, daily medication, allergies, and/or learning disabilities (please detail):

Emergency Contact's Name & Telephone #:_____

Physician's Name & Telephone#:_____

If under 18, Name of Participant's Parent/Guardian:_____

Permission to use photograph on website and in marketing materials: yes:_____ no:_____

Participant

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature (if under 18)

Date

**MACNAIR'S COUNTRY ACRES
LIABILITY WAIVER, RELEASE, HOLD HARMLESS AND
RISK ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AGREEMENT**

WARNING:

UNDER NORTH CAROLINA LAW, AN EQUINE ACTIVITY SPONSOR OR EQUINE PROFESSIONAL IS NOT LIABLE FOR AN INJURY TO OR THE DEATH OF A PARTICIPANT IN EQUINE ACTIVITIES RESULTING EXCLUSIVELY FROM THE INHERENT RISKS OF EQUINE ACTIVITIES.

[CHAPTER 99E OF THE NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL STATUTES]

1. **Parties.** The parties to this **LIABILITY WAIVER, RELEASE, HOLD HARMLESS AND RISK ACKNOWLEDGMENT AGREEMENT** (the "Agreement") are MacNAIR'S COUNTRY ACRES, INC., MacNAIR'S COUNTRY ACRES II, INC. and each of such entities' affiliates, including their shareholders, agents, employees, officers, directors, representatives, assigns, affiliated organizations (whether nonprofit or for profit), insurers and others acting on behalf of any of them (all being collectively referred to herein as "MacNair's"), and (please print)

_____, a participant in a MacNair's activity or program on or off the Farm (defined below) or a boarder or lessee of a horse boarded at the Farm (all being collectively referred to herein as a "Participant") and, if Participant is under the age of 18 (please print), _____, the parent or legal guardian of Participant legally capable of contracting on Participant's behalf (the "Parent/Guardian").

2. **Participation in MacNair's Program(s).** In exchange for Participant's and Parent/Guardian's acceptance of the terms of this Agreement and his or her signature hereon acknowledging same, MacNair's agrees to permit Participant and Parent/Guardian, if applicable, to (a) participate or accompany Participant in an equestrian or farm activity or program held at MacNair's facilities, which facilities are located on and around Dover Farm Road, Raleigh, North Carolina (the "Farm"), and elsewhere for "off the Farm" programs and activities for which Participant has been properly registered and for which he or she has paid; (b) board a horse on the Farm; or (c) lease a horse on the Farm.

3. **Nature of Equestrian Activities.** Numerous obvious and non-obvious risks are inherent and always present in horseback riding and other equestrian activities, despite all safety precautions. Although all horses and ponies used by MacNair's are well trained, they are still animals that cannot be made completely safe. By way of example and not limitation, all horses and ponies may, among other things, stop short, suddenly change direction or speed, shift their weight from side to side, trip, fall, buck, rear, bite, kick or run from what they perceive (correctly or incorrectly) as danger. These enumerated and related or similar risks, as well as the more general farm risks described in paragraph 4 below, among others, exist for anyone who is in close proximity to a horse, whether mounted or on the ground. Participant and Parent/Guardian acknowledge these and similar or related risks and affirmatively state that they are not relying on MacNair's to advise them of all possible risks.

4. **Nature of Farm Activities.** Numerous obvious and non-obvious risks are inherent and always present in a farm setting, despite all safety precautions. In addition to the risks related to equines and equestrian activities detailed in paragraph 3 above, there are other risks present. By way of example and not limitation, (a) farm equipment is used regularly around the Farm and can give rise to risks associated with the operation of heavy equipment; (b) non-equine farm animals such as chickens, roosters, cats, dogs, cows and goats, among others, as well as wild animals naturally present in rural settings such as raccoons, fox, deer, bobcats, coyotes and bears, among others, are unpredictable and can chase, scratch, bite and injure humans and/or other animals present on the Farm, (c) fertilizers, pesticides and animal medications are present on the Farm and can cause property damage or personal injury to humans and animals if encountered, handled or misused; (d) all types of insects, rats, snakes, spiders and other pests and vermin may at any time be present on the Farm and can cause property damage and personal injury to humans and other animals; (e) ponds, creeks and other water features on the Farm can present safety hazards, including risk of drowning or other water associated risks; (f) uneven terrain, ditches, sinkholes, deep mud, dead trees and other associated risks; and (g) any and all other potential risks that may be associated with the operation of an agricultural, equestrian, commercial or residential

facility. Participant and Parent/Guardian acknowledge these and similar or related risks and affirmatively state that they are not relying on MacNair's to advise them of all possible risks.

5. **Waiver, Release and Indemnification.** *In consideration for Participant's ability to participate in MacNair's equestrian and/or farm activities and programs and use and/or be present at the Farm, Participant and Parent/Guardian agree, to the extent permitted by law, to release and hold harmless MacNair's from all claims, demands, causes of action and legal liability related to Participant's participation in any equestrian or farm program at the Farm or offered by MacNair's, whether the same be known or unknown, anticipated or unanticipated, foreseeable or unforeseeable, and even if such are the result of the negligence and/or acts or omissions of MacNair's or other participants in the MacNair's activities or programs or other individuals present on the Farm.*

Participant and Parent/Guardian further agree to waive all claims which may otherwise arise from an injury to Participant or Parent/Guardian while using or being present at the Farm or any activity or program offered by MacNair's and shall not pursue any claims, demands or causes of action against MacNair's for any economic or non-economic losses due to Participant's or Parent/Guardian's bodily injury, death or property damage arising out of the activities and programs offered by MacNair's or Participant's or Parent/Guardian's use of or presence at the Farm or any location of any MacNair's activities or programs, whether on the Farm or "off the Farm."

Participant and Parent/Guardian agree to be responsible for any and all damages, injuries and/or loss of life caused by Participant or Parent/Guardian (or caused by a horse then in the care, custody and control of Participant or Parent/Guardian or any animal brought to the Farm by Participant or Parent/Guardian) and to indemnify MacNair's from any losses or expenses, including but not limited to attorneys' fees, which MacNair's incurs in connection with any such damages, injuries and/or loss of life.

6. **Assumption of Risk.** Participant and Parent/Guardian acknowledge that failure to follow MacNair's rules and/or the directions of MacNair's staff may put him or her at risk of, or increase the risk of, personal injury or death. Participant and Parent/Guardian acknowledge that he or she, as the case may be, bears the responsibility for Participant's safety and Participant should not participate in any equestrian or farm activity unless he or she is confident that Participant can do so safely. Participation in equestrian or farm activities at or with MacNair's constitutes a knowing and voluntary assumption of all risks associated with such activities and those associated with being present at the MacNair's facilities, including but not limited to inherent risks and the risk of negligence by MacNair's or others. This assumption of risk is intended to operate as a bar to recovery for any claim for property damage, injury or death.

7. **Helmet Requirement.** MacNair's requires that if Participant is taking part in a MacNair's riding program that Participant provide and wear his or her own properly fitting ASTM/SEI certified riding helmet. Participant and Parent/Guardian acknowledge that wearing a properly fitted and secured equestrian riding helmet which meets or exceeds the quality standard of the SEI Certified ASTM Standard F1163 while riding, mounting, dismounting and being near horses **may** reduce the severity of head injuries sustained or prevent death as the result of a fall or other occurrence. MacNair's makes no representation as to the condition, effectiveness or suitability of any helmet used by Participant. Participant and Parent/Guardian further assume all helmet related risks.

8. **Guests.** Should Participant or Parent/Guardian bring to the MacNair's facilities an individual who has not executed a copy of this Agreement, Participant and Parent/Guardian shall educate the guest as to the risks described herein, supervise the guest, be solely responsible for the safety of the guest, be responsible for any property damage, personal injury or loss of life caused by or suffered by such guest and further indemnify MacNair's from any losses or expenses, including but not limited to attorneys' fees, which MacNair's incurs in connection with any such damages, injuries and/or loss of life caused by or suffered by such guest.

9. **Permission to Treat.** Participant and Parent/Guardian understand that MacNair's does not normally administer medications and will typically do so only when directed in writing by Participant or Parent/Guardian. However, in the unexpected event of a medical emergency, Participant and Parent/Guardian agree that the employees or agents of MacNair's have Participant's and Parent/Guardian's permission to provide, seek and authorize medical attention and services, including but not limited to first aid or emergency medical services, for the Participant or the Parent/Guardian or

for any veterinary attention or services for any horse owned, leased or in the care of the Participant or the Parent/Guardian. Further, Participant and Parent/Guardian agree that MacNair's shall bear no liability in connection with its provision and authorization of such medical attention and services.

10. **Miscellaneous.** This Agreement: (a) contains the entire agreement among Participant, Parent/Guardian and MacNair's and supersedes all prior written or oral understandings among the same regarding the terms hereof; (b) may not be amended or modified except in a writing signed by Participant, Parent/Guardian and an authorized representative of MacNair's; (c) shall be construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of North Carolina; (d) has been carefully reviewed and is fully understood by the Participant or, if Participant is a minor, the Parent/Guardian and, if desired, has been reviewed by Participant and/or Parent/Guardian's independent counsel; (e) shall be binding upon MacNair's, Participant, Parent/Guardian and their successors, assigns, heirs and personal representatives; and (f) shall be for the benefit of MacNair's. When the contexts in which words are used in this Agreement indicate that such is the intent, words in the singular shall include the plural and vice versa. The Parties further agree that if any paragraph or part of this Agreement is found to be void or unenforceable, the remainder of this Agreement shall not be affected by such a finding.

11. **Dogs/Other Pets.** Participant and Parent/Guardian understand and agree that only MacNair's staff and Participants or Parent/Guardians who are boarding or leasing a horse stabled at the Farm are permitted to bring non-dangerous, trained, well-mannered dogs with no history of causing property damage or personal injury to the Farm; and that (a) no other pets may be brought on the Farm by any person; (b) if such dogs are brought on the Farm they must be kept on a leash at all times or placed securely in the dog pen provided by MacNair's for such purpose; (c) if such dogs are brought on the farm they shall not be permitted to approach, antagonize, bark at, bite, jump on, scratch (or otherwise touch) or frighten any person, horse or other animal on the Farm, whether a farm, wild or domestic animal; and (d) they assume full responsibility for any property damage or personal injury caused by any dog or other pet brought by them on the Farm and agree to indemnify and hold MacNair's harmless from and against any losses or expenses, including but not limited to attorneys' fees, which MacNair's incurs in connection with any such damages, injuries and/or loss of life.

_____		_____	
Participant	Date	Parent/Guardian (if Participant is a minor)	Date
MacNair's Country Acres, Incorporated		MacNair's Country Acres II, Inc.	
By: _____	By: _____		
	Date		Date
Print Name: _____	Print Name: _____		
Title: _____	Title: _____		

MACNAIR'S COUNTRY ACRES, INC.

PAYMENT OPTION FORM

Rider Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: H) _____ W) _____ C) _____

Email Address: _____

All statements will be emailed each month. If you prefer to have a paper copy please check below.

_____ **I prefer a paper copy of my statement.**

Please choose one of the following options:

You may change your options at any time by contacting MacNair's Country Acres at 919-851-1118 or by email office@macnairscountryacres.com.

_____ **Option A** – Charge my card at the beginning of each month for my current month's balance.
(This option ensures your early payment credit and you will receive a statement of charges made to your credit card)

_____ **Option B** – Charge my card only if my balance is not paid by the 20th of each month.
(This option still allows you to receive a statement and pay by cash, check, or money order. It does not entitle you to avoid late fees if charged to your card.)

I authorize MacNair's Country Acres, Inc. to automatically bill the card listed below as specified above:

Card Type: _____ MasterCard _____ VISA _____ Discover _____ American Express

Cardholder's Name: _____
(exactly as printed on card)

Card #: _____ Exp. Date: _____

Billing Address of Card _____
(if different than above)

_____ City State Zip

Signature: _____ Today's Date: _____

Rider Enrollment Agreement

The undersigned understands that:

- 1) The Student is enrolled for the academic year, which runs from August 26th 2011 through June 4th 2012.
- 2) A security deposit of two (2) lessons is required upon application and will be refunded with 2 weeks written notice of withdrawal. The two weeks' notice will begin upon receipt of your written notification.
- 3) MacNair's Country Acres follows a "maximum weight safety standard" of 200 pounds developed by the North American Horsemen's Association.
- 4) Private/semi private lesson packages must be used within 2 months of purchase for 4 lesson packages and within 4 months for eight lesson packages.
- 5) Private Lesson students who are unable to groom and tack independently will groom and tack as part of their lesson experience.
- 6) Pony School group lessons are one hour and fifteen minutes and Community School group lessons will be one hour and thirty minutes in duration from start to finish. This time includes grooming, tacking, riding, untacking and turn-out. Students will need to arrive at their scheduled lesson time to groom, tack and review horsemanship skills.
- 7) Students will need to arrive on time because classes *will* start on-time.
- 8) Students will learn both mounted and unmounted horsemanship skills during the scheduled lesson time. Proficiency in horsemanship skills is required to progress to the next level.
- 9) Group and private lesson make-up lessons may be offered, depending on availability, when MCA cancels due to inclement weather. The class will be rescheduled through the class instructor for an appropriate day and time.
 - a. MacNair's Country Acres **no longer** follows the Wake County School System's Inclement Weather Policy. This means MacNair's Country Acres may be open if Wake County schools are closed for inclement weather.
 - b. Classes **do meet** when it is raining. However, in the event of rain, riders may have as many as two ground lessons per year. These ground lessons will support the horsemanship curriculum.
- 10) Make-ups for missed lessons are available upon specific request. To be eligible for a make-up lesson, **24 hours notice is required**.
 - a) For lessons missed with less than 24 hours notice or for multiple weeks missed within a make-up period, you are able to purchase a make-up for a \$15 rescheduling fee.
 - b) Late cancellations or 'no shows' will be billed just as if you had taken the lesson.
 - c) You may take advantage of a make-up class for only one absence in a set period.
 - d) The make-up periods for 2011-2012 are:
8/26-10/9 10/10-11/20 11/21-1/15/2012 1/16-2/26 2/27-4/8 4/9-6/4
 - e) Make-up lessons remain on the books for one month. It is your responsibility to keep track of your available make-up lesson and schedule it through the office.
- 11) MacNair's Country Acres strives to meet communicated class schedules; however, we reserve the right to change class schedules or consolidate classes as is necessary. We will do our best to communicate such changes to parents and students with advanced notice.
- 12) 24 hours advance cancellation notice is required for all Special Programs. Students who register for a Special Program, but do not offer advanced notice of absence will be charged for the program.

- 13) Proper dress and footwear is required for all lessons. **ASTM-SEI approved riding helmets with a harness are mandatory.** Long pants or breeches (jeans can be uncomfortable for riders), Sturdy boots, preferably above the ankle in height, with a smooth sole and a 1" square heel (no hiking boots, ripple soles, cowboy boots or platform shoes). MacNair's requires that students come to class dressed neatly. Students are asked to please avoid wearing spaghetti straps or crop tops and to please have their hair pulled back into a pony-tail or under the helmet. For safety reasons, shirts should be tucked in, and we ask that no excessively low jeans or baggy pants be worn.
- 14) Riders are required to provide proof of health insurance to enroll in MacNair's lessons.
- 15) Tuition for the group lessons academic year is broken into monthly payments. Lessons are billed on the first of the month for the following month. Payment is due by the 12th of the billing month.
- 16) For any accounts with balances past due more than 30 days, students may be excluded from activities until account is paid in full. Late fees of \$10 will apply to any account not paid by the 15th of each month.
- 17) Payment is due at the time of the lesson for any a la carte private lesson. Any rider without a credit card on file must pay at the time of service for any type of a la carte private lesson or special program.
- 18) MacNair's does not issue refunds. Lesson credit only.
- 19) MacNair's is a riding school and just like a school we will provide a substitute teacher in the event of your instructor's absence. Lesson schedules will proceed as normal without notification to the student unless a time or day change is necessary.
- 20) Participation in horse shows, summer camp, gymkhanas and certain additional educational activities are payable separately from tuition fees.

The undersigned has read and understands the obligations and responsibilities involved when enrolling in the MCA programs as well as the payment terms for tuition.

Student Name: _____

Signature: _____
(Parent or Guardian if minor)

Date: _____

Payment Agreement

The following table should be completed and tallied (to be completed in line with selections made on previous pages of this document by applicant or applicant’s parent/guardian.

The resulting registration cost is due in full upon the submission of this application:

Annual Registration Fee is included in Earn Your Stirrups, Pony School, Community School and private lesson packages below	\$25	\$
Evaluation Ride	\$75	\$
Saddle Up	\$65	\$
Earn Your Stirrups	\$475	\$
Pony School Group Tuition Deposit + First 4 lessons	\$295	\$
Community School Group Tuition Deposit + First 4 lessons	\$325	\$
Private lesson package – 4 lessons	\$315	\$
Private lesson package – 8 lessons	\$585	\$
Semi Private lesson package – 8 lessons	\$505	\$
Total Amount Enclosed		\$