**We Can Ride 4-H Club**

BERRIEN COUNTY MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY EXTENSION

1737 Hillandale Road, Benton Harbor, MI 49022

269-927-5674

Dear potential rider(s) and family:

Thank you for your interest in the We Can Ride 4-H Club (WCR). Please find the enclosed application forms for 2023. The rider application must be returned by March 1, 2023. This year’s club fees are $73.00 for the first rider and $48.00 for each additional family member.

The rest of the forms must be completed and returned prior to April 26, 2023 to the Berrien County MSU Extension office, 1737 Hillandale Road, Benton Harbor, MI 49022. C/O WCR. Although we will continue to accept applications after the due date, an additional fee of $50 will be charged and the youth rider will not be eligible to take part with the club in the We Can Ride 4-H Horse Show during the Berrien County Youth Fair. Fully completed forms will be date stamped and used to determine placement of alternates.

We Can Ride 4-H club requires rider families to donate 30 volunteer hours each year for the first rider and an additional 20 hours for each rider thereafter. Some hours can be accumulated on ride nights, at the Berrien County Youth Fair, serving on a We Can Ride committees, during various fundraisers that a program such as ours must have to continue operating.

**MARK YOU CALENDAR – REQURED MEETING DATES**

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| MANDATORY PARENT/RIDER MEETING | April 19, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. EST | Buchanan Westerners Riding Center 14665 Mead RoadBuchanan, MI 49107 |
| VOLUNTEER TRAINING | April 26, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. EST | Buchanan Westerners Riding Center 14665 Mead RoadBuchanan, MI 49107 |

These meetings are designed to give you club information in a precise clear manner. There are many parts to WCR, and we want to share with you what they are, and your part in making these pieces come together to provide a program that your rider will enjoy and benefit from.

Questions about We Can Ride 4-H club may be directed to the Berrien County MSU Extension at 269-927-5674. Any Parent and Volunteer questions regarding meeting or requirements can be directed to Heather Foster at heather.lunog@gmail.com and Rose Narregan at rjnarregan@gmail.com.

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