

# Running your Riding For Reading Class



## Class Specifications

This class is open to any junior rider in first through twelfth grades. The class is run as a Hunter Pleasure Class, unless otherwise stated, and horses are judged on manners, performance, and suitability. Tack and equipment must follow USEF Hunter rules. Horses will work at a walk, trot, and canter both directions of the ring, and the judge(s) may ask for additional work. This is not judged as a hunter under saddle class with quality of movement as the primary criteria. This class is judged as a pleasure class with suitability and performance as the main criteria.

## Class Conduct

At least one judge shall preside over the class, but Riding For Reading strongly encourages two judges working together. If there are 30 or more entries, the class must be divided and riders worked in smaller groups. At no time should there be more than 25 per group. After working all of the groups, the judges shall select at least ten riders who will perform additional group work.

## Options

When working the finalists, the judges may do eliminations and pull riders into the center of the ring one-by-one. However, judges must leave the top three riders and not do eliminations among the three.

## Awards & Presentations

Riding For Reading strongly suggests that when announcing each rider's name, to also announce the rider's school and grade. All riders will be invited into the arena for the awards and presentations. The riders who do not get in the top ten will receive a Participation ribbon. All ten final riders receive a Top Ten ribbon. They are not ranked from 1<sup>st</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup>. After the Top Ten are presented, the judge(s) will designate a reserve champion and a champion. Riding For Reading encourages a round of honor of at least the Top Ten. No awards except for ribbons are presented in the ring.

## After the Class

Please take a "class" photo of all the riders while they are still in show attire. Riders need to have their ribbon and they need to have a sign or banner that says:

Riding For Reading  
(Name of Show) Class of 2008

Riders need to write their thank you notes and complete their information forms before receiving their Riding For Reading t-shirt and other prizes.