

Friends,

March 12, 2020

We at the Virginia Horse Center value the safety and wellbeing of our patrons, employees, and volunteers. We would like to take this time to reassure you that we are monitoring the developing COVID-19 situation closely and following all guidelines from local authorities and the Virginia Department of Health.

As of this communication, we are continuing to perform on our regular schedule and, while we do so, we wanted to let you know about the precautions we are taking to maintain a safe and healthy environment here at VHC.

We have increased our cleaning protocols and the disinfection of frequently touched, high traffic surfaces such as doorknobs, office counters, and bathroom faucets. Hand sanitizer and tissues are available throughout the facility. We are disinfecting exhibitor interaction areas such as the Stable Office and Horse Show office multiple times per day during competitions.

We have instructed our staff, and ask our exhibitors and visitors as well, to follow the guidelines from the Centers for Disease Control:

- Wash your hands regularly and thoroughly for at least 20 seconds
- Avoid touching your face
- Where possible, practice social distancing and avoid handshakes
- Sneeze or cough into your sleeve or a tissue
- Remain at home if you feel sick

It is the responsibility of each individual show manager to determine whether cancellation is warranted for any planned competitions. Should you wish to confirm a competition, please reach out to the individual show manager for that competition. Contact information for each can be found on our web site: www.vahorsecenter.org/upcoming-events/

We will continue to be in touch as the need arises. In the meantime, our show managers and our staff here at VHC are ready and eager to welcome you to upcoming scheduled events.

Be safe and be well,

John Nicholson, CEC

