



Quick quiz - what was the second Dressage4Kids Program created?

The Dressage4Kids Scholarship Program,
started in 2001!

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Dressage4Kids Calendar

<https://dressage4kids.org/news-events/event-calendar.html>

Dressage4Kids Training4Teaching Ongoing Education Scholarship

In 2019 Lendon Gray and Dressage4Kids™ (D4K) began a special program for instructors: Training4Teaching (T4T). The mission of the Training4Teaching Program is to provide education for dressage instructors to become the best teachers they can be: that they continue, throughout their careers, to gain knowledge of riding theory, increase their teaching skills, learn new useful training exercises, and improve their overall horsemanship.

Starting in 2023, the D4K Training4Teaching Program is offering a scholarship of up to \$500 to enable professionals to take a day or two from their busy lives to audit the teaching of an instructor they don't normally observe or with whom they do not usually work (observation should include a minimum of 6 lessons).

The scholarship is intended to help cover expenses incurred as well as income lost by being away for the day(s) of education. Scholarship recipient(s) will be required to write a thorough report within four weeks to share with other instructors sharing what they gained from their day. Applicants who receive scholarships will receive their scholarship funds immediately upon submission of their complete scholarship report.

Established instructors of all ages and levels of experience are welcome to apply.

Applicants must have a concrete plan prior to applying. The number of scholarships will depend on the funding available.

[Click here for more information.](#)

D4K Summer Intensive Training Program - Applications Due

Dressage4Kids is excited to offer the Summer Intensive Training (SIT) Program to provide an overall educational program for riders under age 26. Participants will have a full schedule of learning that includes fitness, theory, tests, riding lessons, possible field trips, and lectures on many pertinent subjects.

We encourage young riders ages 25 and under of all levels to apply.

For more information, including the application form, go to:


<https://dressage4kids.org/programs/summer-intensive-training-program.html>

[Check out this video from SIT 2021 \(credit Riley Schreiber\) -](https://vimeo.com/620937002)

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Dressage4Kids Zoom with Steve Kraus - Head of Farrier Services Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine

Registration in advance is required. For more information, including how to register, go to: <https://dressage4kids.org/programs/weekend-equestrian-program-2023.html>



Join US
via Zoom

Monday, March 6th at 7:30pm EST

Dressage4Kids™ Weekend Equestrian Program
educational series welcomes:

Steve Kraus
Head of Farrier Services, Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine
Author of *Shoeing The Modern Horse: The Horse Owner's Guide to Farriery and Hoof Care*

Registration in advance is required at www.dressage4kids.org

USDF FEI Youth Clinic Series

The USDF FEI Youth Clinic Series is an educational opportunity for youth riders striving to compete at FEI levels. The goal of this series is to promote hardworking, talented youth riders who want to rise to the top of the discipline.

[Click here for more info.](#)

TDF Trip Harting Fund

Application Deadline: March 25

The Trip Harting Fund was created with donations from Trip's friends and colleagues after he passed away in 2008. This fund will provide an annual \$1,000 grant to a current or graduate rider with a Pony Club Certification of A, B, or C to attend an educational event of his/her choice. *Preference will be given to riders with an A or B Certification.*

The online application and required documents must be received by TDF on or before March 25th. A final decision will be announced by May 1st; therefore, the grant must be used for an event that falls after May 1st of the year in which you apply. The recipient will have up to one year to use the grant.

[Click here for more info.](#)

Groom Spotlight - Monica Stanke

[Published in The Chronicle of the Horse](#)

by Virginia Daffron

A normal day starts around 6:45 a.m., when Stanke and three other grooms begin feeding grain and getting the horses ready. Some go on the walker; some get hand-walked, and others are groomed and saddled for Lyle and assistant trainer Quinn Iverson.

Throughout the day, the team keeps up a steady pace of therapies, paddock turnout, hand-walking, grooming, tack-cleaning, laundry and other duties to keep 16 performance horses happy and fit.

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Dressage4Kids Winter Intensive Training Program - Rider Spotlights

For more information about the Dressage4Kids Winter Intensive Training Program, go to: <https://dressage4kids.org/programs/winter-intensive-training-program.html>



Kendall Cox

"The D4K WIT program played a huge role in my development as a rider and propelled my professional career. I have access to incredibly talented horses, enjoy training, competing, and continue to learn every day."

WIT Participant 2017



Kendall double majored and graduated from the University of Findlay with degrees in Business and Equine Science. She is a USDF Bronze, Silver, and Gold medalist and holds the Large Bronze, Small Bronze, and Silver German training medals. Kendall resides fulltime in Wellington employed by Robert Dover as his assistant with 15 horses in training.



Emma Teff

"WIT was truly an experience like no other that I will always be grateful. I grew as a person and horseman and met incredible people. WIT prepared me for competitions, clinics, and even going off to college."

WIT Participant 2019



Emma is a sophomore Computer Engineering major at Purdue University. She boards her horse, Ugo, near school and makes riding a regular part of her schedule.



Katrina Sadis

"WIT was probably the most valuable experience I had as a young rider. Besides the valuable riding education, I made connections in the industry and lifelong friends."

WIT Participant 2014 & 2015



Katrina graduated with a degree in Marketing from Florida Atlantic University in 2022. She works as a rider for Yeguada de Ymas in Wellington.



Lendon Gray and Dressage4Kids TEAM rider Alyssa Longoria

About Dressage4Kids

Dressage4Kids, Inc. is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization incorporated for the express purpose of providing educational and competitive opportunities for youth riders and the adults who support them.

<https://dressage4kids.org>

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