



*Grand Valley Dressage Society presents:*

# **GVDS Schooling Show III 2024**

Saturday and Sunday, October 12-13, 2024

**Location:** Mesa County Fairgrounds

2785 US-50 Grand Junction, CO. 81503

**Opening Date:** September 9, 2024

**Closing Date:** September 23, 2024

**Judge:** Kathy Simard "L" Colorado

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## **Divisions:**

**O**-Open; **J**-Junior; (13 and under as of Jan. 1) **YR**-Young Rider; (14-21 years of age as of Jan. 1) **A**-Adult  
Amateur **P**-Pony

**TOC** – Test of choice

## **Tentative Schedule**

<b>Sat:</b>	<b>Sun:</b>			
101	201	Intro	A	O, J/YR, A, P
102	202	Intro	B	O, J/YR, A, P
103	203	Intro	C	O, J/YR, A, P
104	204	Training	1	O, J/YR, A, P
105	205	Training	2	O, J/YR, A, P
106	206	Training	3	O, J/YR, A, P

107	207	First 1	O, J/YR, A, P
108	208	First 2	O, J/YR, A, P
109	209	First 3	O, J/YR, A, P
110	210	Second 1	O, J/YR, A, P
111	211	Second 2	O, J/YR, A, P
112	212	Second 3	O, J/YR, A, P
113	213	Third 1	O, J/YR, A, P
114	214	Third 2	O, J/YR, A, P
115	215	Third 3	O, J/YR, A, P
116	216	Fourth 1	O, J/YR, A, P
117	217	Fourth 2	O, J/YR, A, P
118	218	Fourth 3	O, J/YR, A, P
119	219	FEI TOC	O, J/YR, A, P
120	220	Musical Freestyle – Introductory Level	O, J/YR, A, P
121	212	Musical Freestyle – Training thru 4 <sup>th</sup> TOC	O, J/YR, A, P
122	222	Musical Freestyle – FEI TOC	O, J/YR, A, P
123	223	Lead Line Dressage Test – 12 and Under	J
124	224	Pas de Deux/Quadrille TOC	O
125	225	Materiale TOC (Group)	O
126	226	USPEA Para Eventing Dressage TOC	O
127	227	USEA Eventing Dressage TOC	O
128	228	Dressage Seat Equitation (Group)	O, J/YR, A, P
129	229	Gaited Dressage TOC	O, J/YR, A, P
130	230	Gaited Dressage Freestyle TOC All Levels	O, J/YR, A, P
131	231	Western Dressage Intro 1	O, J/YR, A, P
132	232	Western Dressage Intro 2	O, J/YR, A, P
133	233	Western Dressage Intro 3	O, J/YR, A, P
134	234	Western Dressage Intro 4	O, J/YR, A, P
135	235	Western Dressage Basic 1	O, J/YR, A, P
136	236	Western Dressage Basic 2	O, J/YR, A, P
137	237	Western Dressage Basic 3	O, J/YR, A, P

138	238	Western Dressage Basic 4	O, J/YR, A, P
139	239	Western Dressage Level 1 Test 1	O, J/YR, A, P
140	240	Western Dressage Level 1 Test 2	O, J/YR, A, P
141	241	Western Dressage Level 1 Test 3	O, J/YR, A, P
142	242	Western Dressage Level 1 Test 4	O, J/YR, A, P
143	243	Western Dressage Level 2 Test 1	O, J/YR, A, P
144	244	Western Dressage Level 2 Test 2	O, J/YR, A, P
145	245	Western Dressage Level 2 Test 3	O, J/YR, A, P
146	246	Western Dressage Level 2 Test 4	O, J/YR, A, P
147	247	Western Dressage Level 3 Test 1	O, J/YR, A, P
148	248	Western Dressage Level 3 Test 2	O, J/YR, A, P
149	249	Western Dressage Level 3 Test 3	O, J/YR, A, P
150	250	Western Dressage Level 3 Test 4	O, J/YR, A, P
151	251	Western Dressage Level 4 Test 1	O, J/YR, A, P
152	252	Western Dressage Level 4 Test 2	O, J/YR, A, P
153	253	Western Dressage Level 4 Test 3	O, J/YR, A, P
154	254	Western Dressage Level 4 Test 4	O, J/YR, A, P
155	255	Western Dressage Level 5 Test 1	O, J/YR, A, P
156	256	Western Dressage Level 5 Test 2	O, J/YR, A, P
157	257	Western Dressage Level 5 Test 3	O, J/YR, A, P
158	258	Western Dressage Level 5 Test 4	O, J/YR, A, P
159	259	WDAA Exceptional Rider Tests TOC	O
160	260	Western Dressage Musical Freestyle – Intro	O, J/YR, A, P
161	261	Western Dressage Musical Freestyle Basic – 5 <sup>th</sup>	O, J/YR, A, P
164		Costume Class on the Rail	O, A, JR
165		Stick Horse Class	O

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**Tests for the 2024 USEF/USDF Introductory Level through Fourth Levels are available on the [USDF website](#).**

**Test for the [Lead Line Dressage class](#) can be found on the GVDS website. Exhibitors must use this specific Lead Line Dressage test for this show.**

**Exhibitors must use the correct Introductory Freestyle test for their discipline for this show. Please see these links for the Classical [Introductory Level Freestyle](#) and the [WDAA Western Freestyle Test](#)**

**RULES AND REGULATIONS:** GVDS Schooling Shows are governed by United States Equestrian Federation (USEF) rules, except where noted. Please see [USEF Dressage Division Rules](#) or [USEF Western Dressage Division Rules](#) for complete information. Please refer to the [GVDS website](#) for more information about dressage training and rules or the Dressage FAQ's found in the Education & Resources section of the GVDS website. The Dressage FAQ's sheet will also be posted outside the show office. Minors (17 and under) may not ride stallions in any class.

**USEF WESTERN DRESSAGE RULES AND TESTS:** Please refer to [Western Dressage Association of America](#) website for detailed information. **Western tack must conform to Western Dressage Association of America standards. Please refer to the [WDAA Equipment and Attire Guide](#) for more information.**

**GAITED DRESSAGE TESTS:** See the Friends of Sound Horses [IJA Manuel](#) for Gaited Dressage for rules and tests.

**EVENTING TESTS:** See the [United States Eventing Association](#) for the most current eventing tests.

**PARA-EQUESTRIAN ASSOCIATION TESTS:** See the [United States Para-Equestrian Association](#) for the most current Para tests.

**FEI LEVEL TESTS:** See the [Federation Equestrian International](#) for the most FEI current tests.

### **Entry Fees:**

DESCRIPTION	FEES
Class Fees per class for GVDS Members or GVDS Associates (A/O)	\$25
Class Fees per class for non-GVDS Members or GVDS Associates (A/O)	\$30
JR/YR Class Fees per class	\$15
Office Fee (per entry and non-refundable)	\$25
AQHA Processing Fee (per horse/rider combo)	\$10
Stabling per night (includes 2 bags of shavings)	\$40
Tack Stall (per night)	\$15
Shavings (per additional bag)	\$10
RV Hookup (per night, first come, first served, no charge if no hookups used)	\$35
Post Entry Fee (postmarked after closing)	\$35
Non-Sufficient Funds Fee	\$50
Late or Change Fee (plus class fee)	\$35
Incomplete Entry Fee	\$35

**ON-LINE ENTRIES ARE NOW AVAILABLE through HorseShowOffice, go to [HorseShowOffice.com](http://HorseShowOffice.com) to enter the show and pay on-line. Otherwise, you can still enter by mailing an entry form and check to the show secretary.**

**Make checks payable to Grand Valley Dressage Society. Paper entries should be mailed to Show Secretary. No rider packets/bridle tags will be released until all fees are paid in full.**

**Please note that the trainer's signature would be the person who is responsible for the horse while on the show grounds and must be 18 years of age or older.**

**PLEASE NOTE: The initial payment for stalls includes two bags of shavings. At least two (2) bags of shavings are mandatory as per the Mesa County Fairgrounds rules, day stalls included.**

**ENTRIES:** Entries accepted on a first come, first served basis, based on (readable) postmark. Post entries (postmarked after closing date) will be accepted on a space available basis with applicable late fees. The GVDS Entry Form must be used. Once the competition is filled a wait list will be established. The wait list will be maintained through October 3, 2024. If the entry is incomplete, the horse/rider combination will be placed on the wait list until the required paperwork is received. Bridle tags are always required when a horse is outside of a stall. An entry form is required even if the horse is only schooling. Anyone not appearing for any of their dressage tests without prior notification to the show secretary will be "scratched" from their remaining classes. No refunds will be issued. Those rides will be filled if possible.

**SHOW COMMITTEE:** The show committee reserves the right to cancel or split classes; limit class size; change arenas; limit the number of rides and the number of horses per rider; and cancel or add judges. The show committee also reserves the right to refuse any entries.

**STICK HORSE CLASS:** Anyone can enter! Stick horse costume optional class will be held in the show ring during or around the lunch break on Saturday. Entries are \$5.00 each. Enter online or in the show office.

**COSTUME ON THE RAIL CLASS:** Judged as a group class on the rail on Saturday. All costumes are welcome! Enter online or in the show office.

**PONY CLASSES:** Pony classes are for ponies that do not exceed 148cm in height without shoes, or 149 cm with shoes.

**MUSICAL FREESTYLE:** No minimum score requirement. Please don't forget to bring your music on a CD formatted as WMA or MP3 or email your music to [gvdsshowsecretary@gmail.com](mailto:gvdsshowsecretary@gmail.com). Sound check times will be posted in the show office.

**MATERIALE CLASS:** Judged as a group on the rail at walk, trot and canter, both directions. Judging is on the horse.

**DRESSAGE SEAT EQUITATION:** Judged as a group at medium walk, working trot (sitting and rising) and canter both ways of the ring. Minors (17 and under) may not ride stallions.

**RIDE TIMES:** To accommodate as many rides as possible each day, the 20m x 40m short court will be used if there are significant numbers of English Introductory and/or Western Introductory and Basic Level entries. If the short court is used, non-Introductory and Basic classes will be held in the 20m x 60m full court arena and will be held first both days. The short court classes will follow later each day. There is no guarantee that the full court rides will only be in the morning and the short court rides will only be in the afternoon. All freestyles will be held in the 20m x 60m ring. Provisional ride times will be available at the [GVDS website](#) and will be emailed to those entrants who provide a valid email address. Official times will be posted at the show office. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to check the official ride times at the beginning of each day of the show.

**SUBSTITUTION:** Substitution of rider, horse, ride time or class will be made only at the discretion of show management and will require a fee of \$10.00 per test in addition to the Change Fee.

**SCHOOLING (OUT OF COMPETITION) HORSES:** A horse may be brought to the show but must be registered on an entry form, with signatures and the office fee per horse/rider and any other appropriate fees (i.e. stabling, etc.) paid. Bridle tags must be worn on the horse whenever it is out of the stall. Areas where they may be ridden or hand walked may be restricted, and priority given to horses in competition. Check with the show office for details.

**MINIMUM SHOW ATTIRE:** Helmet, boots with heels, and clean clothes (gloves and breeches would be appreciated but are not mandatory).

**HORSE TACK:** Tack must follow USEF rules regarding acceptable tack. Disciplines may not “mix-n-match”; polo wraps/boots allowed. Please address any requests for exceptions with show management prior to riding your test. Our goal is to direct all riders toward using correct equipment. Only with the permission of competition management may a horse/rider combination enter a class Hors de Concours (HC). Such entries must pay the full entry fee but scores for these entries will not be published or recorded, nor shall they count towards any prizes, placings, or Year-End awards.

**NEW as of 10/01/2023:** Junior dressage riders (13 and under) who want to ride in GVDS Schooling Shows only **and in only Introductory classes** using non-USDF/WDAA approved tack, may request approval by the show management to ride in alternate tack. Show management will, on a case-by-case basis, determine if the alternate tack is deemed necessary to increase safety for the child. The alternate tack must be presented in the horse show office before competing in a class. Riders must enter the Introductory class as HC (Hors de Concours) so the score sheet can be flagged for the judge. Although the child will be classified as an “HC rider” for the show and may earn a ribbon in their class, they will be ineligible for the High Score Introductory Rider for the show. ***Scores earned will be eligible for year-end awards.***

**USEF HELMET RULE:** Per USEF DR 120.6, and GVDS’ insurance, all classical dressage riders and anyone under age 18 regardless of western or classical discipline mounted on a horse on the competition grounds, which includes non-competing riders, must wear properly fitted protective headgear. The Western Dressage Association of America (WDAA) rules (applicable to all Western Dressage classes) encourage but do not require wearing of protective headgear. If an exhibitor chooses to wear protective headgear, they will not be penalized. GVDS Management strongly encourages all exhibitors to wear protective headgear, however we understand that not all western dressage exhibitors choose to wear this headgear. Therefore, ALL western dressage riders must execute a waiver of liability. This releases GVDS from all liability pertaining to non-use of protective headgear for any western dressage exhibitor should they choose not to wear protective headgear. No western dressage bridle tags will be released until the waiver is executed.

**SHOW OFFICE:** Office will be open from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm on the day prior to the start of the show and one (1) hour prior to the first class each day of the show; as well as 30 minutes following the last ride each day.

**REFUNDS:** Up through the closing date, all fees refunded except office fee will be refunded. From the day after closing to October 3, 2024, class fees will be refunded only if ride(s) can be filled from wait list. Stabling fees will be refunded if cancellation is on or before October 3, 2024. During competition days **no refunds including Acts of God. Office fee is non-refundable. The two (2)-bag shavings minimum (\$20) and any pre-ordered shavings are non-refundable.**

**SHARPS CONTAINERS:** Sharps containers will be available in the stabling area. Competition management may fine any individuals including trainers, owners, exhibitors, or their agents up to \$100 for improper disposal of needles or other sharp disposable instruments.

**GVDS YEAR-END AWARDS:** Exhibitors MUST be a current RMDS/GVDS member or a GVDS Associate PRIOR to entry for scores to qualify. See [www.GVDS.org](http://www.GVDS.org) for GVDS Year-End Awards rules. Horse owners must also be RMDS/GVDS members or GVDS Associates to be eligible for year-end awards. Riders in the GVDS Dressage Team Challenge must be declared with the GVDS Points Chairperson, [Rhiannon Rowe](#), prior to the start of the show for scores to count. See [GVDS Awards Program](#) for rules.

**GVDS YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS:** Scholarship Recipients must enter their applicable show entry or show fee credit on their entry form. Additionally, Scholarship Recipients must schedule their two (2) show assistance hours with the Show Manager, Pat White [pwhite9882@aol.com](mailto:pwhite9882@aol.com) or Volunteer Coordinator, Barbara Progress, [starman7@comcast.net](mailto:starman7@comcast.net) .

**AWARDS:** Ribbons awarded 1<sup>st</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> place. Overall High Score and Reserve High Score will be awarded each day for the English dressage classes (classes 101-119, 201-219). Overall High Score and Reserve High Score will be awarded each day for the Western dressage classes (classes 133-160, 233-260). Separate Introductory High Score Awards will be presented each day for English (classes 101-103, 201-203) and Western (classes 133-136, 233-236); no Reserve Introductory High Score Awards will be presented. HC riders in the Junior (13 & under) Introductory classes will not be eligible for the Introductory High Score award. **High Score competitors are responsible for having awards picked up or shipped if they are not present at the time the awards are presented/announced.**

**TIES:** In the event of a tie, the total of the collective marks will determine the placing. If the tie remains, then the tie stands.

**STABLING:** Permanent 10 x 12 and 12 x 12 stalls with full doors; bedding required and 2 bags will be provided with initial stall purchase, if stall ordered at time of entry. Additional bags of bedding may be ordered. Stabling available at noon on Friday, October 4, 2024 unless prearranged. Stalls DO NOT need to be cleaned or cleared after the show.

**ARENAS:** Competition arena is the larger of the two covered arenas at the facility which is a 20m x 60m covered arena with sand/dirt footing. A short court arena, 20m x 40m, may be used for Introductory, Pony Club classes and Western Dressage Introductory and Basic level classes. Use of the short court arena will be posted at the show office. Warm-up arena is also a large covered arena with sand/dirt footing located next to the competition arena. Both covered arenas watered and worked throughout the show. Lunging area will be posted. Show arena open for schooling Friday afternoon/evening until show office closes. **Exhibitors may hand walk horses around the exterior of the show arena 30 minutes prior to the start of the show and during the lunch break.**

**DOGS:** Dogs are welcome but must be leashed, held by a human or tied securely at all times.

**DIRECTIONS:** From East of Grand Junction: Take I-70 Westbound to Exit 37 (Clifton, I-70 Business Loop Exit) and proceed South to the second stop light (32 Rd, Hwy 141) and turn left. Stay on this road until it ends at the junction with Highway 50 (approximately 5-6 miles). At this junction, turn right and proceed 3.5 miles on Highway 50. You will see the Mesa County Fairgrounds on your left. At the Fairgrounds sign, enter and immediately turn left and follow the road towards the barns.

From West of Grand Junction: Take I-70 Eastbound to Exit 26. Turn right off the exit ramp onto Highway 6 & 50. Stay on Highway 50 as it winds through town. Turn right at Fifth Street at the sign for Highway 50 to Delta. Follow Fifth Street as it goes over the Colorado River and continue 2.3 miles. You will see the Mesa County Fairgrounds on your right. At the Fairgrounds sign, enter and immediately turn left and follow the road towards the barns.



# Entry Form

## Grand Valley Dressage Society Schooling Shows

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY	
	No.

Only one horse/rider per entry form. Every horse must be named. Both side of this form must be completed.

**PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY OR TYPE**

Name of Competition:	Date:
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Name of Horse	Breed	Sex*	Height	Color	Age (DOB)
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\*M = Mare, S = Stallion, G = Gelding

<b>Rider</b>	Name	E-mail address	Phone Number
	Address	Cell Phone Number	Junior/Young Rider Birthdate
<b>Trainer (see below)*</b>	Name	E-mail address	Phone Number
	Address		Cell Phone Number
<b>Owner</b>	Name	E-mail address	Phone Number
	Address		Cell Phone Number

**\*TRAINER:** Person responsible for the horse during the show, must be 18 years of age or older and must be on the show grounds during the show.

Class #	Division	Class Description	Class Fees

**BEFORE MAILING, BE SURE YOU HAVE:**

- ❖ Enclosed a check for the total fee, one check per entry
- ❖ Completed both sides of the entry form
- ❖ Obtained all required signatures on this entry form in BLUE ink

Entries will not be accepted without all required signatures, and full payment

Subtotal Class Fees	
Stabling Fees	
Office Fee	
RV Parking Fee	
AQHA Processing Fee	
Class Sponsorship (optional)	
Pony/Small Horse Measurement Fee	
GVDS Donation	
GVDS Scholarship Deduction	
<b>Total Fees</b>	



# STABLING FORM

Name and phone of competitor's lodging during competition

Name of Lodging	Phone Number
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Rider: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Horse: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex: \_\_\_\_\_ Dates of Stabling: \_\_\_\_\_

\*M = Mare, S = Stallion, G = Gelding

Approx. Date/Time of Arrival: \_\_\_\_\_ Approx. Date/Time of Departure: \_\_\_\_\_

Special Requests: \_\_\_\_\_

## GRAND VALLEY DRESSAGE RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

**WARNING:** Under Colorado Law, an Equine Activity Sponsor is not liable for an injury to, or death of, a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities, pursuant to Sections 13-21-119 of the Colorado Revised Statutes. Grand Valley Dressage Society ("GVDS") is an Equine Activity Sponsor.

The undersigned assumes the risks inherent in all equine activities and equine related activities, including but not limited to, bodily injury and physical harm to horse, rider and spectator.

In consideration of the opportunity of participating in an equine activity sponsored by GVDS, the undersigned does hereby agree to hold harmless and indemnify GVDS and any owner of the address and facility at which the equine activity is located, and their agents, employees, and staff, and further release them from any liability or responsibility for accident, damage, injury, death or illness to the undersigned, to any horse owned by the undersigned or to any person, whether or not they are accompanying the undersigned, and agree that they participate voluntarily in the equine activity fully aware that horse sports and equine activities involve inherent dangerous risk of serious injury or death. By participating in the equine activity the undersigned expressly assumes any and all risks of injury or loss, and agrees to hold GVDS, and its officials, directors, employees and agents harmless from and against all claims including claims based on negligence, breach of contract, strict liability, and/or otherwise for any injury or loss suffered during or in connection with the equine activity.

I also agree that as a condition of and in consideration of acceptance of entry, that the Competition may use or assign photographs, videos, audios, cable - casts, broadcasts, internet, film, new media or other likenesses of me and my horse taken during the course of the competition for the promotion, coverage or benefit of the competition, sport, or organizer.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Rider's or Agents Signature

Trainer's Signature (Even if Rider, Owner, or Agent)

**Must be Over 18 and present on Show Grounds. This is the person responsible for the horse, on the property, during the show.**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Owner's or Agent's Signature

If rider is under 21 years of age, the parent or guardian must read and sign the above, indicating his/her acceptance.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, know of the potential and assume the risk of injury to my child/ward while involved in equine activities and give my permission for \_\_\_\_\_ to participate in equine activities, including but not limited to horseback riding and other related activities. I hold harmless and indemnify GVDS and any owner of the address and facility at which the equine activity is located, and their agents, employees and staff from any liability or responsibility for any injury to my child/ward while he/she is participating in any equine activity.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or Guardian

I would love to help out with the show! Please count on me to: \_\_\_\_\_ Help out before the show (set up arena Friday morning, etc.)

\_\_\_\_\_ Help out during the show (we will schedule around your ride times) \_\_\_\_\_ Help out after the show (take down arena Sunday after show, etc.)



### Equine Helmet Waiver of Liability

**(Required for any ADULT Western Dressage rider who participates in any Grand Valley Dressage Society activities)**

I understand that the Officers of the Grand Valley Dressage Society strongly encourage the use of a properly fitted helmet for the protection of its members, exhibitors, and participants at all Grand Valley Dressage Society mounted equine activities.

I understand that there are inherent risks associated in equine activities which may cause, contribute to or result in serious injury or even death.

I understand the following: *WARNNG: Under Colorado Law, an equine professional is not liable for an injury to or the death of a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities pursuant to Section 13-21-119, Colorado revised statute.*

I understand that the Grand Valley Dressage Society recognizes that not all western dressage riders choose to wear a properly fitted helmet when engaged in mounted equine activities.

I understand to the extent that I choose to ride without a properly fitted helmet, I hereby protect, defend and hold harmless the Grand Valley Dressage Society, its officers, employees, volunteers and officials, free and harmless from, and against any and all losses, penalties, damages and liabilities of every kind and character arising out of or relating to any and all claims, obligations, actions, proceedings, liens or causes of action arising directly or indirectly out of my failure or refusal to wear a properly fitted helmet while participating in equine activities presented by Grand Valley Dressage Society.

I understand that the Grand Valley Dressage Society has adopted a policy to require execution of this Equine Helmet Waiver of Liability before participating in any Grand Valley Dressage Society mounted event.

THEREFORE, I understand and agree to the terms of this Equine Helmet Waiver of Liability as is affirmed by my signature below.

\_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

PRINTED NAME

\_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE

\_\_\_\_\_  
GRAND VALLEY DRESSAGE SOCIETY EVENT