



Healing Thru Horses

**ROCK Mission**  
Improving independence and life skills in partnership with the horse.

**ROCK Vision**  
To be the trusted leader in equine-assisted activities through service, research, and education.

**ROCK Core Values**  
Honor. Integrity. Compassion. Excellence. Safety.

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## ROCK STAR (Student Teachers Aspiring to be Registered) Instructor Program

Thanks for your interest in ROCK's STAR Instructor Program. This is a 2 part course to prepare individuals for PATH Intl. Instructor Certification. The first half will be 13 weeks meeting twice weekly at regularly scheduled hours in the ROCK classroom for instruction June through August. Then for 13 weeks September through December, each participant will earn their 25 hours of student teaching. Depending on class size, we may be partnering with Red Arena, so participants will be student teaching at two different centers. Participants will be teaching a variety of classes so their fall schedule will need to be flexible. Most participants will get 3 hours of student teaching per week during this time. The course will start in June and run through December of 2019. The price for the whole course is \$2,000. If you are interested in the summer classroom segment only, please let us know. It will be offered for a lesser fee.

The first part of the interview process for the program will be a face to face interview with the instructors of the program followed by a riding skills demonstration. Riding skills may be demonstrated on a ROCK horse riding the provided pattern. It is the same riding pattern currently used by PATH Intl. for the Instructor Certification. Since we will be using ROCK horses for the riding pattern, we will follow ROCK's weight limits for the horses. If weather is a hindrance or if a candidate chooses, candidates may submit a video of themselves riding at a walk, trot and canter. The video needs to clearly show that it is the candidate riding, and it must be dated within the last 3 years. Time commitments and expectations will be further discussed in the interview. We will be conducting these on:

Monday, Feb. 11, 10:30 am-12:00pm	Monday, Feb. 18, 10:30 am-12:00pm
Wednesday, Feb. 13, 11:00am-12:30 pm	Wednesday, Feb. 13, 12:30pm-2:00pm
Wednesday, Feb. 20, 11:00am-12:30 pm	Wednesday, Feb. 20, 12:30pm-2:00pm

The second part of the interview process will be scheduled for another day and will be teaching a riding skill of the participant's choosing to two ROCK staff members or volunteers.

If you would like to set up an interview and riding time, please contact [shannon@rockride.org](mailto:shannon@rockride.org) by February 8th. Please include your weight, height and riding discipline for the riding test and at least 3 date and time preferences for the interview and riding test.

You can also go to the PATH Intl. website and look under [PATH Intl. Certified Instructors](#) and then under TRI and Registered to learn more about the certification process. We ask that you DO NOT submit anything to PATH Intl. yet. Just use the website for informational purposes only at this point.

Thank you and we look forward to hearing from you.

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