



# LAKE ERIE

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# COVID-19 ACTION PLAN

## And EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN

**January 2023**

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Lake Erie College George M. Humphrey Equestrian Center  
8031 Morley Road, Mentor, OH 44060

[lec.edu/equineevents](http://lec.edu/equineevents)

We recognize the huge responsibility that comes with hosting equestrian competitions. We take this responsibility very seriously and we are working hard to ensure that our dressage shows operate safely and successfully.

We are committed to providing a safe and fun experience for our competitors, including any necessary COVID-19 restrictions.

In conjunction with local, state and federal recommendations and mandates, including those from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and United States Equestrian Federation (USEF), Lake Erie College has revised our COVID-19 protocols. We have implemented the following guidelines in addition to our own regular stringent standards, to alleviate the potential impact of COVID-19 and to ensure that our horse shows are smooth, efficient and most importantly, safe for all involved.

Thank you in advance for abiding by these guidelines!



Pamela A. Hess, D.V.M.

**COVID-19 COMPLIANCE/RESOURCE OFFICER**

Dressage Show Manager  
Dean, School of Equine Studies  
Lake Erie College

# ACTION PLAN OVERVIEW

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USEF has developed a comprehensive approach to returning to competition in 2023 with appropriate COVID-19 protocols. We have used these guidelines as the basis for our plan. In addition, we have utilized the WHO Risk Assessment to measure the effectiveness of our planning efforts. With the use of this Risk Assessment, we have determined that we are operating at a low risk level. View the current USEF Coronavirus Disease Updates and Resources information [here](#).

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Lake Erie College is operating in accordance with all of the most current CDC and State of Ohio health orders regarding COVID-19.



All persons entering competition grounds are recommended to self-monitor for COVID-19 symptoms daily prior to entering the competition grounds. Individuals are strongly urged to avoid entering the competition grounds regardless of vaccination status, if they:

- Exhibit **COVID-19 symptoms**, including a temperature of 100.4° F (38° C) or higher,
- Have tested positive for COVID-19 within the last 5 days, or
- Have tested positive outside of the past 5 days, but are still symptomatic.

For additional information, please refer to the CDC's [Isolation and Precautions Webpage](#)

**If you are not feeling well or have any symptoms of illness, please stay home!**

**Persons on the show grounds are not required to wear a facemask.**

A participant may choose to wear a facemask or face covering when mounted on a horse and cannot be disqualified or penalized for doing so while competing.

All participants, licensed officials, show employees and volunteers on the show grounds must have completed a USEF Waiver and Release of Liability, Assumption of Risk and Indemnity Agreement this season. If you have NOT filled out this waiver, please come to the show office to complete a waiver and give it to the Show Secretary.

**We request that everyone observe respectful social distancing practices whenever possible.**

**Wash your hands frequently and avoid crowding situations.**

## **RESPONSE PLAN SPECIFIC to a COVID-19 SITUATION**

### **Emergency Response Information**

*When calling for emergency services,  
be prepared to give your location at the  
Lake Erie College Equestrian Center  
10145 Pinecrest Road in Concord Township.*

- **Fire Department: Dial 911**
  
- **Paramedics:**
  - **Paramedics are on site during the horse show competition, ask announcer to call for Medic.**
  - **For paramedic services outside of competition hours, Dial 911**
  
- **Ambulance: Dial 911**
  
- **Police or Lake County Sheriff: Dial 911**
  
- **Competition Manager: Dr. Pam Hess, Cell: 440-477-3474**
  
- **COVID-19 Compliance/Resource Officer: Show Manager Dr. Pam Hess, Cell: 440-477-3474 or Office 440-375-8005**



## EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN SPECIFIC to a COVID-19 SITUATION

### RESPONSE TO POTENTIAL EXPOSURE

If a participant displays symptoms or otherwise indicates high risk for possible infection, he/shewill not be allowed to access the facility and participate in the show.

**Any individual on competition grounds who tests positive for COVID-19 within 14 days of the conclusion of the competition, is required to report such result to the Show Manager Dr. Pam Hess 440-477-3474.**

If you have any concerns about the possibility of a COVID-19 infection, please contact the Show Manager Pam Hess at 440-477-3474.

Thank you for your  
cooperation and support as  
we work together to ensure  
everyone's safety.



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