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What was your riding experience before joining IHSA?

I rode extensively before college, competing in dressage, eventing, hunters, jumpers, equitation and even a little Western. I also started young horses.

How did you get involved with IHSA?

I competed on the IHSA team as a freshman through my Junior year.



What do you think was most valuable about the experience?

It was a unique experience to be on a team and the team format made the walk/trot riders as important as the open riders. It really made every rider a very key part of the team. As a trainer, I feel the same importance of making sure all levels of riders know how important they are to my business.

Describe your experience competing on the team?

It was an amazing challenge as we never knew what we would be riding. The quality and degree of training differed quite a bit from school to school and as we competed in Zones and Nationals, the quality of the horses really rose with the tougher competition.

Do you keep in touch with any of your IHSA teammates/coaches?

So many of my Lake Erie College IHSA teammates are in the horse business and I love keeping track of them. Just this year, I sold horses to two of my former teammates.





Tell us about your life now.

My husband and I own Raven Ridge Farm and we compete and train around the country in the hunters and jumpers through the grand prix level. We also breed 3-5 foals a year and enjoy watching them develop into horses that succeed at the national level.

