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Dear IEA Riders, Families, Coaches and Alumni,

In our inaugural year, the Interscholastic Equestrian Association (IEA) had just 120 hunt seat rider members with fewer than 20 teams and coaches. This year, the IEA will celebrate its 10-year anniversary, and our membership will total 6500+ riders that compete in three disciplines: hunt seat, western and saddle seat. We will have nearly 700 teams and more than 500 coaches nationwide! With this exponential growth over the last 10 years, we have plenty to celebrate!

Yet, despite this extraordinary success, some of our riders, coaches and prospective members are finding that it is still financially difficult to participate in equestrian sports. Therefore, the IEA is beginning this 10-year anniversary celebration with a special fundraiser, and we encourage your participation.

The IEA Board has set, as one of its goals, the establishment of a "benevolent fund." The fund will serve two important needs:

1. To assist rider members and prospective members that might not be able to participate in the IEA without financial support.
2. To assist IEA coaches during times of unexpected circumstances, accident or tragedy.

This fund has been seeded by a generous initial grant from the Equus Foundation, but its success depends on the IEA membership and supporters. We ask you to make a minimum contribution of one dollar for each year of the IEA's history for a total of \$10 to help start this fund—**\$10 FOR 10 YEARS!**

Celebrate your own participation in the past 10 years of the IEA, and help us extend a hand to the future needs of our members. All donations are tax-deductible.

Thank you!

Sincerely,

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THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF THE IEA!!