

# Right From The Start | Outline

## Production Horses

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### Characteristics

- Social & gregarious
- Temperamental
- Quick & agile
- Biters
- Attentive & expressive
- Very wide field of vision
  - 65 degrees of binocular vision- both eyes are used together
  - 285 degrees of monocular vision-each eye is used separately
- Blind spots: directly behind, under the neck, and under the belly
- Good night vision
- Good sense of hearing & smell
- Great sense of balance
- Well-developed sense of touch & taste

### Animals of Concern

- Broodmares
  - Social
  - Aggressive during feeding time
  - Protective when in production
- Stallions
  - Very aggressive
  - Not worked with as often by youth
  - Pose a high risk for inexperienced handlers
- Weaned Foal
  - Excitable; easily startled
  - Tend to run
- Training Facility Horses
  - Most are not highly trained yet
  - Spook easily
  - Inexperienced handlers should always have supervision when working in a training facility.

