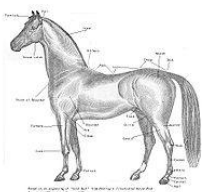


length of the camping session; some lessons that will be taught include: safety issues around horses, proper handling, grooming, tacking and untacking of the horse, level appropriate riding skills, the balance position while in the saddle, horsemanship, anatomy, tack, stable management, basic horse care and specialized riding lessons for advanced riders.



All Day Campers will be assigned an appropriate horse/pony to help care for. These campers will get one riding lesson daily along with another practice ride! Certificates, ribbons and/or trophies will be awarded for a camper's horsemanship accomplishments.



OTHER CAMPING ACTIVITIES: We believe that each day is a blessing; the world is wonderful that God gave us and therefore something positive is to be learned. Our stable's Day Camps offer fun, age or grade appropriate educational activities or lessons as well. Some examples are: nature walks, science experiments, classifications, creative writing, journal and record keeping, and of course, arts & crafts. Children will not even know that they are



doing "school lessons" as these activities are stable and horse related and most importantly, FUN!

Other activities will include some or all of the following as well: videos, games, field trips (with parental permission), special guest lecturers, scavenger hunts, contests with prizes, clinics, optional non-



denominational Christian Bible study or lesson, and a real horse show to compete in!

All Day Campers will enjoy all of the activities listed above, along with an old fashioned stable cookout with even more games and a pinata.



SPECIALTY CAMPS:

Eventing Camp, Hunt Seat Camp, Learning to Jump Camp, Western Camp, and Trail Riding Camp are for campers that want to concentrate on a particular discipline. The curricula is the same except all of the riding is geared specifically for that discipline. **NOTE:** Fees may vary if we transport horses to a park for trail riding or to go cross country schooling for eventing.



OTHER SERVICES: We are a full service equestrian facility and non-profit horse rescue. We also offer lessons, boarding, training, parties, scout programs, clinics, stable activities, shows, clubs, and horse transportation. Our staff is all volunteers.

NOTE: Proceeds from our activities and camps go to take care of our horses and facility as well as to operate our non-profit horse rescue.

For more information, please visit our website at www.Equi-VentureEquestrian or call us at 443-898-2772. THANK YOU.

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CAMP INFORMATION

OUR MISSION STATEMENT:

Our mission is to teach horsemanship, not just riding; by striving for excellence in the care and training of the horse, and practicing safety in the proper handling and riding techniques of the horse. All of this should be done in a way that the horse understands what we are asking of him. This is accomplished by using the tried and true EQUI-VENTURE standards of DEDICATION, SAFETY, DISCIPLINE, EDUCATION, and DETERMINATION.

WELCOME TO EQUI-VENTURE! Enjoy year round camp sessions at our modern facility complete with an indoor arena & climate controlled lounge! Equi-Venture offers several day camp packages to suit everyone's needs & budgets. We offer fun & activity filled days with riding lessons, horsemanship sessions, interactive lectures, science projects, educational sessions, stable management, games, arts & crafts, Special Activity Days, and more!

GENERAL INFORMATION: Campers must be at least six years old (except Pony Pals mini camps). All other ages, riding abilities and riding disciplines are welcomed. All camps are for girls and boys. Our stable offers English, as well as Western riding. Campers may ride both styles or choose one or perhaps one of our Specialty Camps is preferred. All sessions stress safety! Our structured and progressive curricula are age/skill level appropriate. We even have camps for Pony Pals (ages 4-6) and Adults! Some sessions offer the opportunity to compete at a horse show and/or go on a field trip(s).



All of our programs follow the guidelines of the United States Pony Club, the 4 H and the Certified Horsemen's Association. Any non-denominational Bible study or lesson that is offered is optional. The ratio between campers and counselors is kept small at 4:1 and there are at least 2 assistants to help each counselor. Counselors have been CPR certified and a staff member that is First Aid certified will always be present.



Our camp sessions are **AFFORDABLE!** Financial assistance and payment plans are available for any child that is in need. All information is confidential. Discounts are also offered for siblings, multiple camp sessions and Equi-Venture students. **It is our desire to enable EVERY child to enjoy the wonderful world of horses.**

Our day camps start at 7:30 AM and end at 6:00 PM (except Thanksgiving and Christmas Break camps). We offer Before & After care is available if still needed. Therefore parents do not miss a lot of time from work. This extended care is available for a small additional fee.



Each camper will be required to complete all liability releases, medical and registration information. All campers must be in good health, able to follow the stable rules, and must be appropriately dressed for safety around horses and riding. ALL campers will be required to wear approved protective headgear, long pants and approved footwear! For obvious safety reasons, there will be **NO EXCEPTIONS!** All requirements,



a list of stable rules and a sample of an age and riding ability appropriate daily outline will be sent in a Camper Packet upon your request.

Each camper will be responsible for bringing his/her own sack lunch, snacks and beverages. We also have a staff member that will make a daily lunch run into town. Orders must pre-paid for all restaurant meals and only a parent can select the food items. Some packaged snacks and beverages will be available for purchase.

All campers will receive a free Equi-Venture Equestrian Centre tee shirt. Week Long All Day Campers will also receive a free Equi-Venture Equestrian Centre cap. Other farm logo items are available for purchase.



STAFF: The head riding instructor at Equi-Venture is a member of the Certified Horsemen's Association and has over 25 years experience of teaching horsemanship and horseback riding. All of our



experienced instructors have exceeded our standards and have successfully competed. They also continue their own education and ride with top trainers and coaches. Counselors are over age 18 and are active Equi-Venture students. Each counselor has at least 2 assistants that are over age 15 and they are also students at Equi-Venture. All camping staff are trained volunteers that enjoy working with children and horses.



HORSEMANSHIP CURRICULA: Please refer to our Camp Horsemanship Levels which can be found on our website or in our Camper Packet. There will be daily riding lessons; while horsemanship and stable management skills are being taught throughout the day. Riding lessons are planned out depending on the riding abilities of the campers. **Safety is always stressed.** The instructor always has assistants to help or to demonstrate. Lessons are progressive and challenging but, still kept fun. Adult campers will spend time working on projects. Depending on the age and ability of each individual camper and the

