

EQUI-VENTURE EQUESTRIAN CENTRE



Criteria for Financial Assistance and Scholarships

A. Scholarships and financial assistance (funds permitting), may be available for the programs, activities, courses and/or services listed below. (This list may not include all available programs or areas of assistance.)

EQUI-VENTURE HORSEMANSHIP LESSONS

Weekly Group Riding Lessons
Additional Group Riding Lesson(s)
Equi-Basics Course (Required Course)
Practice Rides

EQUI-VENTURE EQUESTRIAN STUDIES

Course Fees
Field Trip Fees

EQUI-VENTURE EQUESTRIAN CLUB(S)

Membership Fees
Tally-Ho English Club Lessons
Cowboy Up Western Club Lessons
Mane Event Adult E & W Club Lessons

EQUI-VENTURE CHRISTIAN SADDLE CLUB(S)

Kid's Corner Corral Fees
Teen's Saddle Up Fees

EQUI-VENTURE CLINIC(S)

Mounted Clinic(s)
Unmounted Clinic(s)
Workshop(s)
Schooling Session(s)

CLINIC(S)

Outside Clinicians at EQUI-VENTURE
Other clinics not held at EQUI-VENTURE

BOARDING

Help with temporary to short term Board expenses

TRAINING

Help with temporary to short term Training expenses

LEASING

Help with temporary to short term Leasing expenses

HORSE SHARE PROGRAM

Help with temporary to short term Horse Share expense

EQUI-VENTURE SHOW TEAM & OTHER TEAMS

Membership Fees
Team Lesson Fees
Schooling Fees
Help with Show/Expo Expenses

EQUI-VENTURE STABLE ACTIVITIES

Trail & Pizza or Arena & Chili
Scheduled Trail Ride as Stable Activity
Field Trip (one here/ to go to)
Scout Program
Social Events
Birthday Parties (for active EQUI-VENTURE Students only)
EQUI-VENTURE Horse Shows & other EQUI-VENTURE Competitions

EQUI-VENTURE AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

Horse Play

EQUI-VENTURE HOME SCHOOL PROGRAM

Horsin' Around

EQUI-VENTURE OUTREACH PROGRAMS

City Slickers
Horses Healing Hearts
Foster Children & Shelter Families
Troubled Kids & Teens

EQUI-VENTURE HORSEMANSHIP CAMP(S)

Two Week Day Camp
One Week Day Camp
Partial Week Camp
Half Day Camp
Mini Camp
Adult Camp
Holiday Camp
School Break Camp
Week End Camp
Other Camp

B. GENERAL INCOME GUIDELINE: The maximum amount (up to \$700 per year) of scholarship and/or financial aid that will be awarded is based on the following income:

<u>Adjusted Gross Income</u>	<u>Financial Assistance Amount</u>	<u>Student /Rider Pays</u>
\$0 - \$24,999	75%	25%
\$25,000 - \$45,999	50%	50%
\$46,000 - \$65,999	25%	75%
\$70,000 +	0%	100%

NOTE: The Financial Assisted amount awarded may be less than above, depending on the available funding. Unless a full sponsorship, full scholarship or full campership is awarded, all applicants that receive assistance will still have some portion of the fees to pay and that amount may be higher than listed above.

- C.** Even if your family income is in the higher bracket, the applicant may still qualify for available funding. Additional consideration is given for mitigating factors, which could impact the sum granted. Some of these include: five or more people in the family, a disabled family member, single parent family, temporary income loss, or unusual medical needs.
- D.** All assistance is granted by the decision of our Financial Assistance Committee. Once the committee makes a decision the applicant will be notified in writing at least two weeks prior to the beginning of the session. For those in a temporary or last minute situation, notification may be sooner.
- E.** All applications must include a copy of the first page of the most recent IRS income tax return, copies of the three most recent pay stubs or SSI checks, and student/rider/participant/camper registration forms. If the applicant is a minor, the needed documentation for the responsible party is required. Applications not containing financial information and registration forms will not be considered by the committee.
- F.** Financial assistance or scholarships may be awarded for situations that are temporary (30 days or less), short term (up to 90 days), long term (up to six months) or on-going (up to a year). If assistance is still needed after the time has expired, you may request a renewal of assistance.
- G.** Financial assistance is awarded for the current sessions, programs, courses or stable activities, and does not automatically re-apply to any additional sessions, programs, courses or activities. For renewal of a scholarship or financial assistance, the applicant must resubmit a new, updated and signed Financial Assistance or Scholarship form with information pertaining to any changes in household income every 90 days for on-going and long term situations; or for temporary and short term assistance, at least 30 days prior to the start of any new sessions, or 2 weeks before stable activities. Please note that application deadlines will be strictly enforced for consideration.
- H.** Applicants may request assistance for one or more programs at the same time. Assistance may be granted for more than one program, lesson session, stable activity, event, camp session, course, etc.
- I.** Applicants may request assistance for one or more programs, while still being able to fully pay for others.
- J.** Our available funding may only allow for assistance with one program while making it necessary for the applicant to pay for additional services, programs, courses, sessions or stable activity.
- K.** The applicant will be responsible for any and all fees that are not covered by funds that may be granted. Please refer to the chart above. When signing up or registering for a session, program, course or activity, please be aware of the amount of the fees that you will be responsible for, should funding be denied or not available, and/ or the difference in fees should funding be granted. Any uncovered fees will be due with registration.
- L.** Also, we do request that applicants make any possible payments before the end of the last session. Applicants that repay, even at a later date, will be given stronger consideration if their circumstances call for assistance again. Remember that by repaying, someone else may be helped.
- M.** In addition we require that applicants and/ or their parents if applicable; volunteer at EQUI-VENTURE EQUESTRIAN CENTRE if financial assistance or scholarships are received.
- N.** It is expected that applicants continue with EQUI-VENTURE programs for at least one year.
- O.** If funding is not adequate or is not available for financial assistance or scholarships, the good ole Bible tradition of the "Barter System", payment plans, promissory notes and/ or the Working Student Program may be able to be utilized.
- P.** Financial assistance or scholarships may be reassessed at any time and be adjusted accordingly.
- Q.** All applications received will be held in the strictest of confidence.

The above criteria will be used as a basis for financial assistance considerations. We urge all applicants to be honest and disclose all household income, as any deception will result in disqualification from the financial aid program for one year. For additional questions or comments please contact EQUI-VENTURE EQUESTRIAN CENTRE at 443-898-2772.

By submitting this information and signing below I _____ (please print first and last name) agree to all of the criteria outlined in this application; and I have read and understand the EQUI-VENTURE EQUESTRIAN CENTRE Criteria sheet. In addition I have answered all questions to the best of my knowledge.

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE

DATE