

Riverwood Therapeutic Riding Center Summer Session

Our popular 8 week summer session will take place June 12th through August 1st, 2017. Please read class descriptions carefully and complete the registration form completely before mailing.

Class Descriptions:

Therapeutic and Able Bodied Riding Lessons:

Once a week lessons for one hour. The cost is \$240 for 8 weeks. Riders will be grouped together based on age, ability and riding skills. All classes are taught by certified therapeutic riding instructors and are goal oriented with lots of fun and education at each lesson. Appropriate for riders as young as 3. Siblings and family members are encouraged to take advantage of the opportunity to ride! **Due to safety parameters for our horses, we must limit weight of riders to 180 lbs. or less.**

Community Based Learning for Teens and Young Adults:

New to Riverwood this summer. Community based instruction is defined as, “educational **instruction** in naturally occurring **community** environments providing students real life experiences”. Our goal is to provide a variety of hands on learning opportunities to help students acquire the skills to live and thrive in the world today. This will include, but is not limited to, working with a supervisor to learn and understand how to do certain farm and equine related tasks, learning to adhere to expectations within a time-frame, following a list of tasks, interfacing with the public at Riverwood, and learning new skills both physical and educational. This is an ideal learning opportunity for high school students (age 14 and up) with special needs who will be seeking employment or higher education in the future. Students will need to be able to physically lift 20 pounds and will be required to be on their feet for at least 30 minute stretches. This program will involve consistent interaction with the horses but will not be a riding lesson format. The cost of this 2 hour program for 8 weeks is \$360 and the group size is limited to 5 students.

Able Bodied Adult Horsemanship Program:

A limited opportunity for those seeking more time, knowledge and understanding with the Riverwood horses. This program will be offered in two separate segments for 4 weeks at a time for two hours. The first hour will focus on ground skills, safety and understanding equipment while the second hour will be the riding lesson portion. Appropriate for those who are beginner to intermediate level riders seeking more knowledge. This program will be offered Wednesday evenings to accommodate those who would like to come after work hours. The cost of this 2-hour program for 4 weeks is \$240. Session I is June 14-July 5. Session II is July 12-August 2. Students may register for both sessions.

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Summer Intensive Learning Sessions:

A four-day course for students who are interested in learning more about horses and riding by being fully immersed in the farm life for several hours at a time.

Elementary aged children: For students who are ready to learn more about taking care of horses and improving their beginner riding skills. Students will have their “own” horse for the week. Fun and educational tasks will be interspersed with lots of riding and horse time! Social opportunities in a safe and unique environment make this a very popular part of our summer programs. The cost is \$275.00. Space is limited to 6 participants.

Middle/High School Youth: Students will learn not only about horses and farm care but also advancing riding skills. Students will ride each day and will have their “own” horse for the week. Some of the activities will include feeding, grooming, general farm care and education, trail riding, equine health care, farm exploration and environmental awareness, fun educational games and great social opportunities. The cost is \$275.00. Space is limited to 6 participants.

Summer 2017 Registration Form

Participant Name: _____ Birthdate: _____

Typical _____ Special Needs _____ Diagnosis _____

Parent or Guardian Name: _____

Address: (please include city and zip code) _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Have you ridden at Riverwood in the past 12 months? Y N

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Please list the program you are registering for in the boxes below:

_____ I am registering for the summer therapeutic riding session. Riverwood will place riders in a class most appropriate for their social, physical and emotional well-being:

Circle your preference: Group Class Mornings Group Class Evenings Private lessons (limited) AM or PM

Circle days NOT available: Mondays Tuesdays Wednesdays Thursdays Fridays

_____ I am registering for the 8-week Community Based Learning Program.

_____ I am registering for the Adult Riding and Horsemanship Lessons for 4 weeks

(Circle Session Choice) Session I June 14- July 5 Session II July 12-August 2

_____ I am registering for the Adult Riding and Horsemanship Lessons for 8 weeks (both sessions)

I am registering for the Summer Intensive Learning Session. Please check the correct session:

_____ Elementary Age (Mon-Thurs: August 7-11th 8:30-12:30 pm)

_____ Middle/High School Age (Mon-Thurs August 14-17th 8:30-1:30 pm)

If you have never ridden at Riverwood before, you will be required to pay a \$15 registration fee per family to cover paperwork and administrative fees.

A deposit of \$100 will be required to hold a spot and the final payment is due by May 26.

My payment is included: Cash (amount) _____ or Check (Number and amount) _____

Signature: _____

ALL RIDERS MUST HAVE A COMPLETED PACKET OF FORMS AND MEDICAL RELEASE, REGARDLESS OF AGE OR DIAGNOSIS. Upon receipt of registration and payment, you will receive the necessary paperwork needed for riding to take place.

Deadline for registration and deposit is April 28 with final payment due by May 26. If you register after April 28, the full cost of the session will be required and only limited time slots may be available. If you must cancel registration, a refund of 80% will be given before May 6; after May 6 an 80% refund will be given only if the spot can be filled off the waiting list.

Spots will not be held unless payment is returned with this form!! Please remember first come, first serve and spots fill quickly. Participant's riding schedules will be emailed to participants on Friday, May 12, 2017.