



Novice Full 5-DayCamp:
June 22-26, 2010

Welcome to HorseSense Day Camp!

HorseSense Riding Academy
Talking Rock, GA

The following information will help you prepare your child for camp. Please call or email us with any additional questions BEFORE camp starts, so that you and your child will be fully prepared for a fun camp experience. Keep the Information section (Pages 1-3) of this enrollment packet so you can refer to it later, and send the Entry Forms sections (Pages 4-5) to us along with your fees.

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Typical Five-Day Camp Schedule

Typical Daily Schedule (Tuesday thru Friday):

8:30 a.m.	Camp begins
8:30 - 9:00	Groom & tack up horses
9:00 - 9:45	Group A rides; Group B has Activity Time
9:45 - 10:30	Group B rides; Group A has Activity Time
10:30 - 11:00	Untack horses
11:00 - 12:00	HorseSense lessons
12:00 - 12:30	Lunch
12:30 - 1:45	Activity Time
1:45 - 2:15	Groom & tack up horses
2:15 - 3:00	Group B rides; Group A has Activity Time
3:00 - 3:45	Group A rides; Group B has Activity Time
3:45 - 4:00	Untack horses
4:30 p.m.	Camp ends

Fun Show Schedule (Saturday):

8:30 a.m.	Camp begins
8:30 - 9:00	Groom & tack up horses
9:00 - 10:00	Group A rides
10:00 - 11:00	Group B rides
11:00 - 11:30	Untack horses
11:30 - noonish	Awards



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Fees and Payment Options

Fees for each session are **\$250 per camper**. To secure a spot for your child in a particular session we'll need a non-refundable deposit of \$25, along with a completed Enrollment Form. The remaining \$225 is due no later than two weeks before the start of the camp session. Of course, if you prefer to pay in full ahead of time, that's fine with us! We accept cash and checks, payable to "HorseSense". You may also submit fees online with our secure PayPal account: www.HorseSenseRidingAcademy.com/payment.htm (please include a \$3 processing fee).

NOTE: our current lesson students, and all active Pony Clubbers, are entitled to a \$25 discount -- that makes fees for these campers \$225.

Arrival and Departure

Please make sure that your camper is here between 8:15 and 8:30 a.m. -- **we will start promptly at 8:30, and will not wait for latecomers**. If you are unexpectedly delayed in the afternoon and cannot pick up your child promptly at 4:30, please call (706-636-2123) to let us know of your expected arrival time.

Grouping Campers

We will sort campers into two groups, and adjust group activities according to age, maturity, and riding experience. We enroll a maximum of 10 campers per session, so groups are small and well supervised by our staff.

Ground Buddies

Inexperienced campers will be assisted by Ground Buddies: our experienced students who are there to lend a hand tacking up and untacking horses. Ground Buddies also walk beside horses in the arena until campers get the hang of steering and brakes. All of our Ground Buddies are volunteers - but tips are always appreciated!

Parent Communication

Feel free to call us at any time during the camp day - but understand that you may get our voicemail service if we are in the arena and unable to get to the phone! We will return your message as soon as we are able.

What to Bring to Camp

- Lunch and beverage in a lunch box or insulated bag, along with a refillable water bottle.
- Backpack or tote bag for extra clothes and personal items.
- A hat for protection from the sun plus sunscreen if your camper sunburns easily. (Please apply at home in the morning; if you send sunscreen with your camper, we will reapply before the afternoon ride.)
- If your child has an ASTM-SEI approved riding helmet, you should bring it. Otherwise, we will provide a helmet.

What Not to Bring to Camp

Please do not bring any extra items such as stuffed animals, toys, trading cards, electronic games, or music players. Campers will have a great time just bringing themselves.



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Appropriate Clothing for Camp

- T-Shirt
- Long pants, jodhpurs, or breeches for riding
- Boots are preferred. Sturdy shoes - with a heel -- that cover the ankle and toe are acceptable. Tall boots, chaps and half-chaps are optional. Tennis shoes and sandals are unsafe around horses.
- Campers should bring shorts for a cooler change of clothes on hot days.
- All clothing should be reasonably modest (i.e., no cleavage or bare midriffs, please!), and should fit comfortably, neither too tight nor too loose.
- Long hair should be tied back securely, and jewelry is discouraged for safety reasons.
- PLEASE -- Put camper's name on all items! Matching campers to personal items takes up too much time.
- Please don't send your child to camp in their brand-new breeches - we get DIRTY! We paint, we tie-dye, we play in the dirt (or mud), we get horsey slobber (and other equine substances) on our clothes. It doesn't all wash out!

Lunch Tips

We appreciate parents keeping the lunches nutritious. Natural juices that come in containers or boxes are the easiest beverage to bring. Avoid salty foods and caffeinated beverages that will contribute to dehydration on hot days. We will provide plenty of cold water throughout the day.

- If you send any perishable food products (meats, cheeses, mayonnaise, etc.), make sure that you ask us to refrigerate your child's lunch.
- During the heat of the summer, it is a good idea to freeze your camper's water bottle and beverage. Juices that come in boxes can be frozen the night before, wrapped in foil, and put in the lunch to defrost.
- PLEASE DO NOT SEND ANYTHING IN BREAKABLE CERAMIC OR GLASS CONTAINERS.

Absence

A parent needs to inform the camp by 8:00 a.m. if a camper is unable to attend camp that day. There is no refund for missed camp days.

Illness

If your child has a cold but is well enough to be outside with other youngsters, you may send him/her to camp, but please inform us of your child's condition -- esp. if your child is taking any medication, even if it is non-prescription.

Emergency

We will make every attempt to contact you or your designated contact person if your child should need emergency care. In the event that we are unable to contact you, we will have your child taken to the Emergency Services in North Georgia Medical Center in Ellijay, unless you specifically request another location.

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**HorseSense Day Camp
ENROLLMENT FORM**

Child's Name: _____, _____ Date of Birth: ____/____/____ Age: _____

Nickname: _____
Last First
 Current Pony Club Rating _____ Height _____ Weight _____

Parent or Guardian: _____ Email: _____

Home Address: _____

Local Address: _____ Local Phone (____)____--_____

Home Ph: (____)____--_____ Work Ph: (____)____--_____ Cell Ph: (____)____--_____

Emergency Contact: _____ Ph: (____)____--_____

Has your child ever ridden or been exposed to horses before? No Yes (please explain):

Has your child ever attended a camp before? No Yes (please explain):

Is your child in good health and able to participate in all activities? Yes Yes, with the following restrictions:

Does your child have any allergies, medical diagnosis, special needs or requirements (i.e., ADD, ADHD)? No Yes (please explain):

What would you like your child to gain from camp?

T-Shirt Size: Child S (6-8) Child M (10-12) Child L (14-16) Child XL (18-20)
 Adult S (34-36) Adult M (38-30) Adult L (42-44) Adult XL (46-48)

I plan to bring a horse for my child: *Please attach a current copy of your negative Coggins to this form. Call or email us for boarding options.*

Horse's name: _____ Horse's Age: _____ Horse's Height: _____ Can board in pasture overnight : yes no

Mount's training/experience: _____

My child would like to borrow a school horse for camp. I understand that school horses will be assigned by our instructor according to ability and availability.

-- Camp Fees --

\$25 Deposit only, payable to "HorseSense" – balance of \$225 due by June 8, 2010 = \$ _____

--or--
 Check for \$250* total, including deposit, payable to "HorseSense" = \$ _____

*\$225 if camper is current student at HorseSense Riding Academy or active Pony Clubber

Stall board, if available, is \$10 per night. (Call for stall availability.) = \$ _____

Mail to: HorseSense Riding Academy, c/o 56 Cindy Lane, Ellijay, GA 30540 **TOTAL \$ _____**

--or--

add \$3 processing fee and pay online: www.HorseSenseRidingAcademy.com/payments.htm

Office Use Only:

Group: _____

Rec'd: _____

Deposit: _____ # _____

Fees: _____ # _____

Horse _____



DAY CAMP PARTICIPANT AGREEMENT
Terms and Conditions
Release and Waiver of Liability

PARTICIPANT AGREEMENT/TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. All participants will agree to abide by all rules and policies of Fowler Farm and HorseSense Riding Academy.
2. Directors may dismiss a participant from any program at HorseSense Riding Academy at any time.
3. HorseSense Riding Academy is **NOT** responsible for any lost articles of clothing or campers' personal articles.
4. **FEES** - Fees for each 5-day session are \$250 per camper. A non-refundable deposit of \$25 is due with the Enrollment Form to secure a spot in a particular session. The remaining \$225 is due no later than two weeks before the start of the camp session. Our current lesson students and active USPC members are eligible for a \$25 discount.
5. **PAYMENT** - All fees may be paid by check or money order, payable to: HorseSense. You may bring payment to us at Fowler Farm, or mail it to: **HorseSense Day Camp, c/o 56 Cindy Lane, Ellijay, GA 30540**. Online payments via PayPal are accepted (with an additional \$3 processing fee); see our website at www.HorseSenseRidingAcademy.com for more information.
6. **REFUNDS** - Our refund policy is designed to discourage last minute cancellations and to help families on the waiting list. Fees (less the deposit) are refundable up to two weeks before the start of the program. After this date there is no refund unless the space can be filled by another camper. There is no refund for missed days at camp.

RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY
ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

Our camps take place in the outdoors and include activities which are adventurous and challenging. All camp activities contain certain inherent risks. Our purpose for this disclosure is not to cause you undo concern but to inform you of the risks connected with the fun, adventure and challenge of all camp programs. Read this agreement carefully before signing it. Your signature indicates you understand it and agree to its terms. By signing this agreement, you (and your child) are giving up certain legal rights, including the right to sue or recover damages in case of injury, death or property damages, for any reason, including but not limited to, the negligence of HorseSense Riding Academy, Inc., its owner, employees and agents ("Stable"), property owners of Fowler Farm, independent instructors _____ or the horse's owner _____ ("Owner").

In consideration for allowing my minor child to ride and handle a horse and on behalf of myself, my child or our personal representatives, heirs, next-of-kin, spouses and assigns, I HEREBY:

1. Acknowledge that a horse or mule may, without warning or any apparent cause, buck, stumble, trip, roll, fall, rear, bite, kick, run, make unpredictable movements, spook, jump obstacles, step on a person's feet, push or shove a person; saddles or bridles may loosen or break; a participant may act in a negligent manner that may contribute to injury to the participant or others, such as failing to maintain control over the animal or not acting within such participant's ability - all of which may cause the rider to fall or be struck or jolted, resulting in serious injury or death.
2. **ACKNOWLEDGE THAT HORSEBACK RIDING IS AN INHERENTLY DANGEROUS ACTIVITY AND INVOLVES RISKS THAT MAY CAUSE SERIOUS INJURY AND IN SOME CASES DEATH**, because of the unpredictable nature and irrational behavior of horses, regardless of their training and past performance.
3. Voluntarily assume the risk and danger of injury or death inherent in the handling of the horse, and use of saddles, bridles, equipment, and gear provided to my child by the Stable.
4. Release, discharge and promise not to sue the Stable for any loss, damage, injury (including death) or cost to my child's person or property arising out of riding or handling a horse; use of saddles, bridles, equipment or gear provided by the Stable; or horse care or training information disseminated by the Stable.
5. Acknowledge that information provided by the Stable on training, horse health, care, and treatment is not intended to replace diagnosis or treatment by a veterinarian or other qualified professional, and voluntarily assume all risks of interpreting and applying that information.
6. Release the Stable from any claim that such Stable were negligent in connection with my child's riding activities or handling of a horse, including but not limited to training or selecting horses, maintenance, care, fit or adjusting of saddles or bridles, instruction on handling or riding skills or leading and supervising riders, which resulted in loss, damage, injury or both.
7. Indemnify, and save and hold harmless the Stable from and against any loss, liability, damage, or cost they may incur arising out of or in any way connected with my child's handling of the horse and/or use of any saddles, bridles, equipment or gear provided therewith resulting from or contributed to by my own negligence.
8. During certain handling practices, it is recommended that my child and all participants wear an ASTM-SEI certified protective helmet. It is my understanding that a protective helmet is available and has been offered for my child's safety.
9. Warrant that a full and fair disclosure of my child's abilities has been made to the Stable.
10. Agree that my child shall abide by and follow Stable's rules and regulations, which shall be posted and/or available from time to time.
11. Expressly agree that the foregoing release and assumption of risk, and indemnity agreement is governed by the laws of the State of Georgia and is intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted by Georgia law, and that in the event any portion of this Agreement is determined to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the balance of the Agreement shall not be affected or impaired in any way and shall continue in full legal force and effect.
12. Acknowledge that this document is a contract and agree that if a lawsuit is filed against the Stable for any injury or damage in breach of this contract, I will pay all attorneys' fees and costs incurred by the Stable in defending such an action.

Warning-Under Georgia law, an equine activity sponsor or equine professional is not liable for an injury to or the death of a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities pursuant to Chapter 12 of Title 4 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated.

I have read this document. I understand it is a promise not to sue and to release the HorseSense Riding Academy, Fowler Farm, its owners, employees and agents, for all claims. I have made a free and deliberate choice to sign this Release and Waiver as a condition to the Stable allowing my child to ride or handle a horse. I have concluded that the risks involved and the release and waiver of liability is worth the pleasure of horseback riding experience.

DATE _____ SIGNATURE of MINOR CHILD'S PARENT or GUARDIAN _____