

Camp Augusta: Equestrian Director

Camp Augusta's equestrian program is small, including a herd of 10 horses. We teach a hybrid of English and Western and offer trail rides, horse care, and basic arena work. The goal of the equestrian program is to teach campers not just to ride but to love horses too, and to create an environment where campers can have fun and build self-confidence through the facilitation of horsemanship.

The Equestrian Director leads program development working alongside the Assistant Equestrian Director. In addition to running our program they are responsible for feeding & mucking as well as general herd maintenance. This role benefits from a person with a stable temperament who is able to adapt their experience, teaching style, and philosophies to camp and can provide their insight while being open to collaboration. When not horsing around, EQ staff will participate in camp programs, evening programs, and supply camp magic.

EQ Skills

- Is creative and flexible with implementing new programming ideas with horses - doesn't settle for the norm, and sees potential for integration with other camp programs
- Horse sense; understands each horse, their temperament, strengths and relationship with the herd.
- They use this knowledge to utilize the herd daily and match horses to riders and activities
- Anticipates and manages risk with relation to the herd and the campers
- Always has awareness, and balances acknowledgement of inherent risk while providing engaging programs
- Love for working with and teaching children in a safe, fun, and intentional manner
- Willingness to engage with the rest of the camp community to offer fun, memorable experiences even beyond the realm of the equestrian program (story experiences, special wake-ups, cabin activities)

EQ Tasks

- Lead development and execution of all equestrian programming (predominantly Western riding style, familiarity in English style helpful)
- Oversee ordering of all supplies necessary for thorough care of the herd, including feed and medications
- Manage health and safety of a small herd of horses (9-10 total) for the duration of the summer, including feeding and mucking
- Responsible for care and upkeep of all equestrian-related equipment, including ordering new gear as needed and approved
- Accurately assess rider's skill level to ensure a high level of safety in the EQ program
- Learn local trails thoroughly in order to safely lead all trail rides throughout the summer



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