

Job Description

Position: Farm and Horse Manager

Responsible to: Camp Director



Overview

The French Camp Academy Horse Program is a Christ centered operation that provides discipleship, growth, and learning opportunities to the students of FCA through working alongside horses and learning to care for them. Additional emphasis is placed on building relationships that will encourage opportunities to speak truth into the everyday lives of students. The Horse Program plays a significant role in Camp of the Rising Son's summer program as well as offers unique experiences for guests. FCA is seeking a Farm and Horse Manager with the ability to envision and execute expanding ministry opportunities to engage both students and guests in horsemanship activities.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities

- Develop and Oversee the French Camp Academy Horse Program in a safe manner:
 - Supervise, coordinate, and disciple any farm and horse staff, FCA horse work crew, work-based learning students assigned, as well as any interns of the Horse program
 - Facilitate opportunities for student use of horses such as 4H program, trail rides, riding lessons, and equine therapy
 - Manage opportunities for guest use of horses such as buggy rides and trail rides for B&B or retreat guests
 - Teach lessons in horsemanship training to students
 - Coordinate and develop additional special events for use of the horses such as Frontier Day and Harvest Festival.
 - Manage the FCA herd:
 - Training, feeding, cleanliness, medical care, and farrier work
 - Facilitate the addition to or removal of horses from the program
 - Maintain required standards and documents for MSDH annual inspection
- Oversee all FCA farm and horse facilities:
 - Determining maintenance needs and coordinate addressing necessary issues
 - Maintain arena grounds and landscaping around arena and barns
 - Keep barn area, inside, and exterior of arena neat and orderly
 - Facilitate set up and schedule of arena for guest rental student use
- Manage horse program for CRS summer camp
 - Train and oversee summer staff "wranglers"
 - Plan and conduct safe and enjoyable horse activities for campers including trail rides, arena rides, and vaulting
 - Maintain horses and equipment in good condition
- Oversee the FCA farm program:
 - Maintain in good condition field/pasture areas, fences, and horse trails on FCA property
 - Oversee and maintain CRS and Farm vehicles.
 - Facilitate annual receipt and storage of hay
- Other duties as needed to facilitate the ministry of French Camp Academy and the Horse Program.

Qualifications

- Knowledge and experience in farming, horsemanship, and equipment operation sufficient to perform the essential duties
- Ability to function as a leader and team player
- Trustworthiness
- Desire to grow spiritually in the study of God's Word and its application to daily life
- Desire to share the Gospel of Christ with the unsaved world
- Understanding of Christian education integrating faith and learning
- Commitment to investing in the lives of young people
- Physical requirements of standing for 45 minutes or more, able to lift 50 lbs., and move about camp property in various environmental conditions.
- Emotional resiliency to adapt to changes in schedule and assignments and to effectively interact with staff, campers, guests, and students.
- Possess current driver's license and able to drive and maintain vehicles as needed.
- Willingness to live and work in a ministry setting and work irregular hours including weekends.

NEED MORE INFORMATION: Qualified applicants can contact Carrie Browning at cbrowning@campoftherisingson.com or by phone at (662) 547-6169.

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