

The wind of heaven is that which blows between a horse's ears. ~Arabian Proverb

Riding does the body (mind and spirit) good!



Open to boys and girls ages 10-14 who would like to spend the weekend as a wrangler, riding in the woods and fields of our 455 acre property . Participants will learn to groom and saddle their horse, spend time in the arena working on riding skills, and enjoy trail rides around Lake Mac-O-Chee. Though geared primarily for beginners and intermediate riders, this program is open to all riders, regardless of ability.



YMCA Camp Willson
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2008 Horselover's Weekends



May 9-11
September 26-28
YMCA Camp Willson
Bellefontaine, Ohio

Bring a friend and enjoy a relaxing weekend of riding.

Great for beginners or seasoned riders ages 10 to 14.



A weekend of friendship,
learning, and riding.



The Instructors

All Camp Willson horseback riding programs are instructed by "kid friendly" first aid/CPR certified staff. YMCA Camp Willson is an accredited site of the Certified Horsemanship Association and the American Camp Association.



The Schedule

Friday night, the experience starts with get-to-know-you games and activities. Saturday is filled with fun in the saddle. Participants will learn to groom and saddle their horse and spend the rest of the morning in the ring working on their skills. After a delicious lunch, the group will saddle up and go on a trail ride around Lake Mac-O-Chee, have a picture taken of the rider and their horse, then time for games and a shower. Sunday morning is reserved for an additional trail ride. The weekend concludes with lunch on Sunday.

The Housing

You will stay in modern, heated cabins with complete restroom facilities. (Bring your own bedding, towels, and toiletries.) We'll eat meals together in Pettigrew Dining Hall, where you will feast on some fantastic cooking from Dora and her crew.

Registration Information

To register, simply complete the attached registration form OR call us at (800-423-0427) with a credit card to register by phone.

Once registered, you will receive a complete confirmation packet, which includes a packing list, directions, camp information, and a schedule.



Other Horseback Programs

We've got just the package for your next outing or overnight trip. Join us for a day or pack a bag and spend a weekend with us at the Ranch.

Groups can enjoy any of these packages. Groups larger than maximum sessions may be accommodated with multiple rides.* Pick the plan that suits your budget, then call to reserve your place on the calendar.

Horse Buddy

Begin with a pet and groom session with your horse. Learn about basic care and then finish with a riding lesson in the arena. Maximum per session is 24 riders.*

2 hours, age 7+, cost is \$20

Horselover's Day Program

Spend your time at Willson grooming and saddling your horse. Hone your skills with a riding lesson in the arena, then practice those skills out on the trail for a one hour ride. Maximum per session is 18 riders.*

3 hours, age 9+, cost is \$30

Dinner Trail Ride

Saddle up for an afternoon ride to Willson's remote campsite, then kick back while our Willson Wranglers cook a mouthwatering dinner over the campfire. Relax around the fire, then finish up the evening with a ride back to the barns. A unique way to spend the evening with a group of 6-12 people.*

3 hours, age 12+, cost is \$50

Willson City Slickers

Head out and explore the 455 acres of Willson by riding to a primitive campsite and spending the night. Our Willson Wranglers will spoil you with a cowboy dinner and breakfast over the fire. After a hearty breakfast, hop back in the saddle for several more hours of riding. We'll transport all your gear, help you set up the picket line for your horse, and provide great evening entertainment for your group of 6-12 people.*

age 12+, cost is \$90

REGISTRATION FORM
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Complete and mail this form OR
register by phone with a credit card.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone (____) _____ Cell Phone (____) _____

E-mail address _____

Registration Fee \$ 149

Method of Payment

- Check/Money Order
- Visa
- MasterCard
- Discover
- American Express

Credit Card # _____ Exp. date _____

Signature _____

Cancellation Policy

100% refund in the event of cancellation due to low enrollment, illness (doctor's excuse required); 50% for other reasons. No refunds for no shows.



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The YMCA's Mission: To serve the whole community through programs expressing Judeo-Christian principles that build a healthy spirit, mind, and body.

No hour of life is wasted that is spent in the saddle. -Winston Churchill

I can always tell which is the front end of a horse, but beyond that, my art is not above the ordinary.
-Mark Twain