

# Muddy Brook Farm



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## 2018 Summer Vacation Programs

**HORSES! HORSES! HORSES!**

**THE TOTAL EQUINE EXPERIENCE**

**"Rookie Riders" Program: Offered Mon through Fri 8:30 - 3:30 for Ages 6-14**  
**"Blue Ribbon Riders" Program: Offered Mon through Fri 8:30 - 4:30**

Muddy Brook Farm offers a great opportunity for children to spend the entire day with horses in a warm and friendly atmosphere. Our goal is to teach riding and horsemanship skills in a safe, supportive environment. Children will have an experience they will long remember and parents will be thrilled with the growth in skills, self-confidence and responsibility their young riders will demonstrate. The number of children is limited in each session in order to provide individualized attention.

**Our Summer Equestrian Program will offer the following sessions:**

The **"Rookie Rider" Program** is designed for ages 6-14 and is offered Monday - Friday from 8:30 – 3:30. Open to all levels of riders (• Beginners with no riding experience, • Walk/trot riders, • Walk/trot/beginning to canter riders and • Walk/trot/canter, beginning to jump riders) that are then grouped according to ability. Riders will learn how to keep themselves and their horses safe. In addition to riding in lessons each day (usually 2 mounted times per day), riders will learn horsemanship skills and have an opportunity to engage in other horse related activities. They will learn how to properly catch, halter, lead and groom their horses, as well as saddling and bridling. They will also participate in various aspects of Barn Management, Horse Science Activities and Art Projects. Students often work in pairs to promote teamwork.

Cost per week (M-F) 8:30 – 3:30 is \$395.

(Option for late day pick-up at an additional cost of \$10 per day)

Jump into the “**Blue Ribbon Rider**” Program. This is a special program designed for riders who are interested in learning more advanced skills and want to become more versatile riders. They will ride twice a day. Over the course of the week riders will work with the farms 50+ horses. Muddy Brook Farm has an impressive group of horses which offers our riders the opportunity to ride several horses in their lessons during the week. Riders will have a busy week which will include lessons, hands-on learning in the barn, education on stable management, horse care, nutrition, basic medical care, horse show preparation, etc. Lessons will be in a group format. For Blue Ribbon Riders there is a dress code for lessons which includes proper riding boots, breeches with belt and a collared polo shirt. **PLEASE NOTE:** Riders in this program **MUST** be able to tack their own horse, be able to walk, trot and canter and jump cross rails.

Cost per week (M-F) 8:30 – 4:30 is \$375

Attached you will find a registration form for our summer programs. The fee for each session is clearly noted on the registration form. To register, please fill out the attached form and include payment. Please keep in mind that enrollment is limited and the sessions fill quickly. In order to reserve space, the session fee MUST be paid in full upon registration. All sessions are offered on a first-come, first-served basis.

**Registration Confirmation:** Upon receipt of your registration you will receive a Confirmation Package with forms that must be completed and returned along with a checklist of what each rider needs to bring to the summer program. Each child should come dressed appropriately and bring a lunch and/or snacks.

If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Kathy – 413-537-7262 or Email: MuddyBrookFarm@comcast.net

We look forward to seeing you this summer!

## Also offered this summer:

### Group Lessons & Private lessons

Lessons offered for all age children and adults of all levels

### The “Barn Buddies” Program

(one week half day program specifically geared to ages 4, 5, and 6 yr olds)

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### Horse Shows and Show Teams

### Lease Horse Options