

MERKEL FARM

2014 SUMMER RIDING CAMP

REGISTRATION FORM

Our summer camp sessions are weeklong adventures into the world of horses! Students will learn horsemanship, riding skills, safety techniques, grooming, anatomy, breeds, show preparation and more. Students will ride every day and have an unmounted lesson daily. Crafts and other activities are included as downtime. There is a show on the Friday of each session to show families what riders have learned.

Camp Dates:

July 7—11

July 14—18

July 21—25

8:00am — 2:00 pm

(Aftercare is available)

Items needed for camp are:

- ◇ Packed lunch, snack and water bottle
- ◇ Riding helmet with a harness
- ◇ Hard-soled shoes with a 1/2 inch heel (no open toed shoes)
- ◇ Comfortable riding pants (breeches, jodhpurs, loose fitting pant)
- ◇ Change of clothes to keep COOL (and they may get wet!), and again, please no open toed shoes or sandals

Registration Instructions:

- ◇ Complete registration form below, and sign attached waiver
- ◇ Mail form, signed waiver and deposit to 9439 Merkel Rd, Bowie, MD 20715 or email completed forms and credit card information to registration@merkelfarm.net
- ◇ Camp cost: \$325, \$100 deposit is required to secure registration
- ◇ Balance due one week prior to the start of camp. Balance can be mailed, or paid via the shopping cart on Merkel Farm website: www.merkelfarm.net



Merkel Farm Equestrian Center
www.merkelfarm.net

9439 Merkel Road
Bowie, MD 20715
301.526.4205

Contact: Stephanie Serenati-Merkel
Email: stephanie@merkelfarm.net

 Rider's Name

 Rider's Age/Height/

 Address

 Emergency Contact

 Emergency Phone#

 Email Address

Summer Camp Registration

Sign up for: Deposit

July 7—11 \$100

July 14—18 \$100

July 21—25 \$100

Aftercare \$20/day (indicate how many days needed)

Method of Payment

Check

Visa

Mastercard

 Credit Card # Exp. date

 Signature

 Zip Code CVV

**MERKEL FARM HORSE CENTER
RELEASE OF LIABILITY FOR RIDER AND STUDENT**

This RELEASE of LIABILITY is made and entered into on the ____ day of _____, 20____, by and between Stephanie Serenati-Merkel and Ernest Merkel, owners of the Merkel Farm Horse Center, hereinafter designated as OWNERS, and _____, hereinafter designated as RIDER/STUDENT, and, if Rider/Student is a minor, Rider's/Student's parent or legal guardian,

_____. In consideration of the use, today and on all future dates, of the owners' horse(s), property, facilities and services (including lessons, day camps, ManeStream Therapeutic Riding Program, traveling to and from horse shows, and trail rides), the Rider/Student, his heirs, successors, assigns and legal representatives, hereby expressly agree to the following:

1. Rider/Student has inspected the property and facilities of the Owners, and understands that the property and facilities of the Owners shall be open to Rider's/Student's continued inspection for the period of this release of liability.
2. Rider/Student shall carry full and complete insurance coverage on his horse, personal property and himself.
3. RIDER/STUDENT ASSUMES ANY AND ALL RISKS INVOLVED IN OR ARISING FROM RIDER'S USE OF/OR PRESENCE UPON OWNERS' HORSE(S), PROPERTY AND FACILITIES, including without limitation, the risks of death, bodily injury, property damage, falls, kicks, bites, collisions with vehicles, horses or stationary objects, fire or explosion, the unavailability of emergency medical care, and/or the negligence or deliberate act of any person. Rider/Student fully understands that the activity of mounting, riding, boarding, feeding, or even being near a horse, involves numerous dangers and risks of injury to the Rider/Student and others.
4. Rider/Student shall hold Owners and all of Owners' heirs, successors, assigns, franchisees, affiliates, employees and agents completely harmless and not liable, and release them from any and all liability whatsoever, and AGREES NOT TO PURSUE LEGAL RECOURSE against them on account of or in connection with any claim of action, injuries, damages (including incidental or consequential damages), costs or expenses arising out of Rider's/Student's use or presence upon Owners' horse(s), property and facilities, including without limitation, those based upon death, bodily injury and/or property damage.
5. Rider/Student agrees to waive the protection afforded by any statute or law in any jurisdiction whose purpose, substance and/or effect is to provide that a general release shall not extend to claims, material or otherwise, which the person giving the release does not know or suspect to exist at the time of executing the release.
6. Rider/Student shall indemnify and defend Owners and all of Owners' heirs, successors, assigns, franchisees, affiliates, employees and agents against, and hold harmless from, any and all claims, causes of action, damages, judgments, costs or expenses, including attorney's fees, which in anyway arise from Rider's/Student's use or presence upon the Owners' horse(s), property and facilities.
7. Rider/Student shall abide by all of Owners' rules and regulations, including, but not limited to: a) Rider/Student will wear safe riding attire, including long pants, riding boots or shoes with a heel and sole that

does not contain a deep tread, and an equestrian helmet that meets or exceeds ASTM/SEI certified safety standards; b) riding in a safe manner appropriate for horse and rider's abilities and temperament, weather, terrain, visibility and ground conditions; c) not riding through occupied pastures, landscaped areas, lawns and/or planted fields; and e) not riding near house, barns, vehicles, farm equipment, traffic, pedestrians and/or farming activities.

8. If Rider/Student is using own horse, the horse shall be free from infection, contagious and/or transmissible diseases. Owners reserve the right to refuse a horse if not in proper condition and/or deemed dangerous or undesirable.

9. Owners reserve the right to restrict or terminate, without advance notice, Rider's/Student's use of and/or access to all or portions of Owners' property. For purposes of this agreement, either of the Owners may act independently upon behalf of both Owners. In addition, Owners' designated representative (i.e. their stable manager) may restrict or terminate, without advance notice, Rider's/Student's use of and/or access to all or portions of Owners' property.

10. This contract is non-assignable and non-transferable, and is made and entered into the State of Maryland, and shall be enforced and interpreted under the laws of this State. Should any clause be in conflict with the State Law, then that clause shall be modified to the minimum extent necessary to render it not in conflict with the State Law, and in its modified form, shall be enforceable and enforced. When the Owners and Rider/Student and/or his parent or legal guardian (if Rider/Student is a minor) sign this contract, it will be binding on both parties, subject to the above terms and conditions.

Stephanie Serenati-Merkel, owner Date

Rider/Student or Parent/Legal Guardian Date
Address/Telephone:

Ernest Merkel, Owner Date

