



HORSE WARRIORS™

Masked Riders & Muddy Days!



Veterinary Instruction

Our riders are learning just about everything there is to know about horses.

Rainy days, sunny days - the weather never keeps us from having fun learning together. From veterinary treatments, to horse assessment, to tack cleaning, the barn is as important as the arena for learning how to be kind, aware, horse stewards. Students learn about different medications and their application, then get to actually treat some of the minor pasture injuries.

COVID-19 Can't Stop US!

Saddle fitting is critical for the horse's comfort. Students learn about proper saddle placement and fitting. Here one of the girls gets a chance to feel a saddle that is too tight for the horse, and the students get to see his clear reaction to the discomfort (ears back). We make sure the saddles fit both the horse and the rider before finalizing tack assignments.



Personalized Tack Fitting **Every Back Is Different**

This year's students are cheerful no matter what!

COVID-19 has affected everyone, but our students are undaunted. They share their gratitude every day for being out with the horses, rain or shine. We've had to be flexible with locale, scheduling and health concerns, and they have risen to all occasions with positive attitudes and willingness to do whatever it takes to continue the program. **We are proud of all of them!**

Community Service hours are a little different with a many businesses and organizations being closed. Students are being creative in figuring out ways to help, and we've reduced the number of required hours from 30 to 20 for this year. They're helping so much at the Diamondfly this summer - since we have reduced staff and volunteers - that they're getting plenty of opportunities to make a difference.

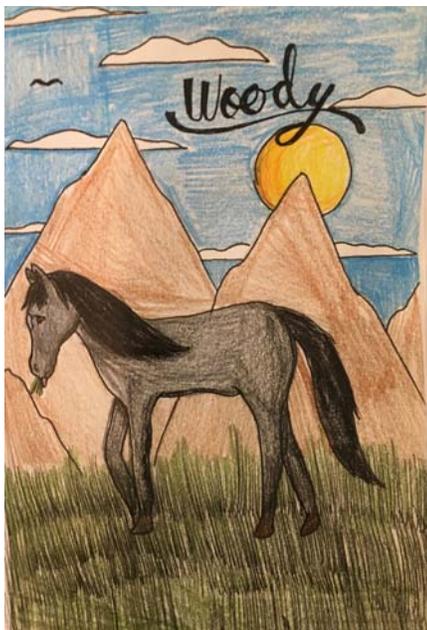
If you have a need for help with a project please let us know. We can help pair you with a student, and they can get credit for their (unpaid) community service hours.



And speaking of community, we're ready for Old Bill's - it's coming up soon!! Please remember us!



(Thanks again to Hapi Trails for donating this wonderful horse!)



**Field Journaling pages -
Part of our daily programs**



ART:

Art is a focal point of all the programs. Students spend time each day writing and drawing in their journals, either at the ranch or out on the trail. Art instruction is provided by staff and visiting professional artists.

Because Art supports our students in social skill development, perception, confidence building, awareness of self and others, this year our fundraiser is an online

ART AUCTION!

that will be held in October.

If you are an artist and would like to help us continue our excellent programming, please consider a donation of an original piece of art that we will auction off.

We are grateful for the generosity of the many artists who have already made a commitment to help us -
THANK YOU!!!



Visiting university professor, Alex Schechter, taught a session on observational drawing that was challenging and rewarding. From portraits to weird still lifes, the students tackled new perspectives all afternoon!

