



The horses are a big part of our summer program at The Farm! Every camper participates in horsemanship classes throughout the week. It is our intent to offer instruction at your camper's riding level to help them:

1. Develop themselves (character growth, etc.).
2. Understand biblical truth through the teaching tool of the horse.
3. Improve at horsemanship.

We understand that some campers want to improve their horsemanship skill and advance to the next level of horsemanship and others are content to simply spend a week at camp with the animals and just enjoy it. Either approach to horsemanship classes at the Farm is OK. Those who want to really stretch themselves and improve their horsemanship skills while at camp might want to order the CHA (Certified Horsemanship Association) manual that is appropriate for their riding level before camp begins (beginners start with Level 1). This is not required or expected, but is always an option for campers who want to "study" the material in their riding level before camp starts. At the end of each camp week, campers are evaluated in their horsemanship skill. This evaluation requires the successful completion of both riding and written criteria in order to advance to the next riding level. Oral evaluations can be given instead of written evaluations if this is a problem for your youngster.

The evaluations are meant to affirm the rider's knowledge and skill in order to determine placement for future lessons. Many of the levels of horsemanship as defined by the Certified Horsemanship Association require the mastery of more skills and knowledge than a camper can learn in one week of camp. Please do not be concerned if your child does not advance in one week. The important issue is that your child is receiving lessons that are appropriate to where they are at, so that they will experience growth, enjoyment and success. Horsemanship should be first and foremost fun! We are committed to providing high quality horsemanship training with caring personal attention on good, sound, friendly horses. Please call if you have any questions about the horsemanship program at Marmon Valley Farm or to order a manual!

Marmon Valley Farm Camper Link Summer Photo Gallery

Dear Camper Parents,

Marmon Valley Farm is proud to offer CamperLink at no charge again this summer. CamperLink is our online photo gallery for camper families and friends available only at www.marmonvalley.com. CamperLink is your virtual backstage pass to the fun and excitement of summer camp. View action photos from camp daily all summer long! One way email will also be offered directly from our website at no cost. Only messages sent from this online form (available on the homepage of marmonvalley.com) will be delivered to campers. Campers will receive a printed copy of the message, but they will not be able to reply via email.

CamperLink is a password protected service of Marmon Valley Farm designed to enable you to view photos of campers busy playing, learning, smiling and growing. While photos are updated almost daily, we cannot guarantee all campers will be photographed. We will attempt to maintain a good variety of quality photos each day that represent a cross section of the excitement of camp. The photo galleries are hosted by myphotoalbum.com, who also make it possible to purchase photos online if you wish to do so. Should you need technical assistance, the galleries and the photo printing services are supported by the support team at myphotoalbum.com. Basic usage questions or access issues with CamperLink can be reported to us at support@marmonvalley.com. We will attempt to resolve as issues as soon as possible. We cannot provide support for unrelated computer problems.

Getting Started: (camperlink registration may not be available for the new season until May)

1. Go to www.marmonvalley.com on any web browser.
2. Click the "CamperLink" button located on the menu bar at the top of the screen.
3. Complete the Registration Form and click the "Submit" button. In the field marked User Name enter the following value in lowercase letters with no spaces:

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4. Once the form has been successfully submitted, your password will display immediately.
5. Now click the [Enter PHOTO GALLERY] link and you will be taken to the CamperLink Gallery at myphotoalbum.com. Enter the same username and password and you're in. Further instructions are available at marmonvalley.com when you click on the CamperLink icon.



After you register, you will be able to visit our online community all year long!! You do not need to register again. If other friends or family members would like to log in, you may share this *username* with them, so they can register, too (steps 1-5). Please keep in mind only those who have been given this information will be able to access this site. We password protect our CamperLink photo gallery to protect our camp community and to comply with the Children's Online Safety Protection Act. Remember CamperLink will not have any new pictures posted until the start of camp in June. Pictures from the previous summer remain available online, too.



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Summer Camp Packing Guide

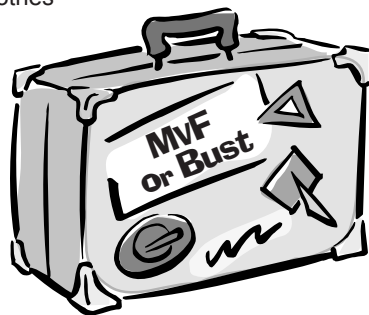
Please pack for camp according to the following guidelines of reasonable modesty. Remember conditions at camp can be muddy, dirty and all around messy... but that's part of the fun! Shirts, if sleeveless, should not be loose fitting around the arms. Please don't bring spaghetti strap tops or midriff tops. Swimsuits must be 1 piece. Shorts must be of an appropriate length, no micro-shorts please. Marmon Valley Farm reserves the right to have campers change their clothing if it is deemed to be immodest or offensive. **Label EVERYTHING with your name. Check off this list as you pack.**

Important Items

- Several jeans or riding pants
- Riding boots
- Riding Helmet (or use one of ours!)
- Sleep wear
- Under garments & socks
- Modest shorts & shirts
- Jacket or sweatshirt
- Shoes / Sandals / Flip Flops
- Modest bathing suits - 1 piece only
- Bible, paper, pencils
- Rain gear
- Sleeping bag or blankets, sheets and pillow
- Comb, brush, shampoo
- Toothbrush, toothpaste
- Other toiletries
- Soap, washcloth & several towels
- Plastic bag to take home wet clothes
- Laundry bag
- Insect repellent
- Hat for sun protection
- Sunscreen
- Flashlight & fresh batteries

Optional Items

- Disposable Camera - *Label it with your name!*
- Addressed, stamped postcard or envelope to write home
- Facial tissue, chap stick
- Rest Hour Activities: book, paper puzzles, crayons, etc. (No video games please)
- Laundry Bag



Please DO NOT Bring

Cell phones, radios, CD or MP3 players, video games, gum, candy, food, knives, matches, lighters, fireworks, firearms, and pets. And of course, tobacco products, alcohol and drugs are never permitted!

Medication

For everyone's safety, all medications must be turned in at the Nurse Station during registration. Please ensure that you have sufficient medication for your child's stay. Medications should be in the actual prescription container not a daily pill box. Most pharmacists will provide a smaller size bottle for camp if necessary. We reserve the right to turn away campers who arrive with communicable illnesses (lice, pink eye, strep throat, etc.) All camper have a quick wellness screening during registration.

Lost and Found

Marmon Valley Farm is not responsible for lost items. Please contact the office as soon as possible about lost items. Lost and found clothing and accessories will be given to charity following the summer.

Driving Directions

We're 45 minutes northwest of Columbus just off Route 33 at the State Route 292 exit. Please note that internet mapping websites like *mapquest.com* **do not** produce reliable driving directions to The Farm. Please visit www.marmonvalley.com for detailed driving directions or call the office Monday - Friday 8:00AM - 5:00PM.



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Camp Details for Campers and Parents

CAMP PACKING GUIDE
ONLINE PHOTO GALLERY INFO
HORSEMANSHIP CLASS INFO



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