

THE HORSEMAN'S WORD RANCH: WORKING STUDENT HORSEMANSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM INFORMATION

2018

Immerse yourself in learning and come study with us at the Horseman's Word Ranch in Uxbridge, Ontario. Students get a hands-on learning experience that focuses on horsemanship development, facility management and horse husbandry with Parelli Professionals.

Ideal candidates will bring a horse of their own and they will board on-site while they are involved in our program. This opportunity is open to all individuals, who are currently studying the Parelli Program. A minimum 2 week commitment is required (with the possibility to stay beyond 2 weeks available. This is an option after you spend your first 2 weeks on the ranch).

WORKING STUDENT HORSEMANSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Starting options begin the week of May 6th, 2018 and run through to the end of August 2018. Your weeks on the ranch are flexible based on your availability so you let us know when you would like to be on the ranch.

The only requirement is that you spend a minimum of 2 weeks on the ranch.

WORK DAY, HORSEMANSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM AND PAY

Working Horsemanship Development Students will work a **minimum 3 hours of ranch work per day for 7 days a week for a minimum 2 week commitment** on the ranch.

Rate of pay is: \$15/hr (minus the deductions)

The typical day of a working student consists of **minimum 3 hours of ranch** work (possibility for more hours of work available) and the remainder of the day is for horse husbandry and horsemanship development. There is flexibility in the number of hours you can work each day up to a **maximum of 5 hours**.

Examples of ranch work consists of ranch maintenance, grounds maintenance, horse care, assisting with clinics and clinic set-up. This is not an exhaustive list. Other types of work may be provided by Todd and/or Maureen depending upon their needs on the ranch.

There is also an opportunity for participants in this program to use their own skills to create their own work on the ranch. For example, if someone enjoys painting or gardening, then these jobs can be incorporated into the work schedule. We acknowledge that everyone brings different skills to the table so the work on the ranch can be tailored to each individual and the skills they offer and are interested in.

You must be comfortable and able to do physical labour. Training and safety equipment will be provided for use of farm equipment and machinery.

Then the remainder of your day will be spent on horsemanship development where **at least 2 hours each day MUST BE SPENT WITH YOUR HORSE WORKING ON YOUR OWN HORSEMANSHIP DEVELOPMENT.**

In addition to working on the ranch, the basic Student Horsemanship Development Program consists of:

- 4 1hr group lessons per week with additional private lessons offered at a preferred rate (see note below for information)
- Access to all ranch facilities (arenas, round pen, honeycombs, trails, riding areas and playground obstacles)
- Daily access to Todd and/or Maureen for support and feedback (outside of lessons)
- Opportunities to audit on-site clinics, to watch and learn from other Parelli students who will be on the ranch

FEES FOR HORSE AND HUMAN ACCOMMODATIONS

HUMAN ACCOMMODATIONS

Option A: Bring your own RV

Cost: Rates – see PDF document attached - **includes free Wi-Fi.**

Bring your own RV and park it on-site for the duration of your stay. Rates for utilities apply.

Includes: Free unlimited Wi-Fi, Port-A-Potties available on-site, with the use of outdoor shower with hot and cold water.

Bring your own supplies, food and anything else that you need to make yourself comfortable during your stay.

Option B: Camping – Camp Onsite on the property

For this option, you will need to bring your own shelter, supplies, food and everything you need to be comfortable camping.

Includes: Free unlimited Wi-Fi, Port-A- Potties available on-site, with the use of outdoor shower with hot and cold water.

Cost: Rates – see PDF document attached.

Option C: Billeting Off-Property

Ask us about this option. There may be people in the area who are available for you to stay with for the duration of yours stay. Rates will vary and you will need to provide your own food, supplies and anything else you need to be comfortable. Inquire further if you are interested in this option.

HORSE ACCOMMODATIONS :

Fees: \$250/per week for horse boarding (outdoor turnout – group or semi-private) (includes 4 1hr group lessons) (required to bring own hay, feed and buckets, muck out horse paddocks daily)

If you do purchase hay while your horse is living on-site the cost is \$6 per bale (price is subject to change*)

PROCEDURES FOR PAYMENT

You are REQUIRED pay for each ENTIRE week of your stay (One Week is defined as Monday-Sunday). Payment for all accommodations (horse and human) are due at the **start of your 2 week stay** and **at the beginning of each 2 week there after (if you decide to stay on the ranch longer)**

Should you decide to leave before a week is over, costs will NOT be prorated and no money refunded.

When you arrive for your orientation, you will sign an agreement stating that you acknowledge to pay all fees and that there will be no refunds if you decide to leave part way through a week.

ADDITIONAL HORSEMANSHIP LESSON INFORMATION

Your horse board each week includes 4 1 hr group lessons with Todd and/or Maureen. If you would like additional private lessons, see fees below:

Students get the “Preferred Lesson Rates” – Private \$50/lesson for any extra horsemanship lessons you would like with Todd and/or Maureen.

**** IMPORTANT NOTE FOR CONSIDERATION:**

This is not your typical summer job in that we hope that by working on the ranch it will offset much of your accommodation and board costs.

This is mainly an educational experience, offering you the opportunity to learn and develop your horsemanship and your relationship with your horse and to learn more about life on a working ranch.

I look forward to confirming the dates that you will be arriving to the ranch and look forward to meeting you!!

If you have any questions about anything, please do not hesitate to contact me anytime at hwrworkingstudent@gmail.com.

Yours in Savvy,

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