



## Saving Grace Farm, Inc.

Saving Grace Therapeutic Programs

725 Jackson Road

Salisbury, NC 28146

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www.savinggracefarm.com



Dear Parent/Guardian or Participant,

This is basically a weekly Horsemanship lesson for Horse Crazy boys and girls who want to learn all about horses and enjoy spending time with them, but perhaps cannot commit to standard lessons. It is a great way to help your child decide if horses are for them and to allow them to learn valuable life lessons involving responsibility, empathy, respect, boundaries, communication, and more

Ages: 7-14

Cost: \$50/month Due the 1st of each month

Mondays - During Daylight Savings Time: August -May 5:00-6:30 (Standard Time November - February Club will meet 4:00-5:30)

In Horse Lovers Club your child will learn all types of horsey stuff like:

- Grooming
- Tacking (putting the equipment on)
- Leading
- Round penning (training/exercising them in a round pen)
- Lunging (training/exercising them on a lunge line)
- Riding (everyone will ride once a month barring weather issues)
- Breeds
- Colors (yes, horses have unique color names)
- Disciplines (riding styles)
- Health
- Care and Upkeep
- Injuries and Illness
- Feeding
- And More!

No credits or makeups will be given for missed meetings. Meetings held rain or shine. Cancellations for inclement weather will be posted on our Facebook page. Please check there for updates.

\*\*For individuals with special needs or disabilities, please use our [Therapeutic Riding Application](#). Club attendees must be able to participate in group activities, follow directions, ride and work without one on one assistance, and communicate their needs for their safety in this activity. If you have a child with special needs that likes horses or that wants to ride, please check out our [Therapeutic Riding Program](#). Horsemanship teaches characteristics of communication, cooperation, respect, trust, leadership, assertiveness, equality, relationship building, empathy, responsibility, empowerment, and so much more.

Please return this application by mail to :

Attn: Director  
Saving Grace Farm  
725 Jackson Road  
Salisbury, NC 28146

Or call ahead to bring to the farm.

If you have any questions please feel free to call the director at 704-798-5955. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Janna Griggs  
Executive Director

**“Horse Club” Lesson Application**

## GENERAL INFORMATION

RIDER NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

DOB: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Height: \_\_\_\_\_ Weight: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: M F

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_ Alternative #: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Legal Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Address (if different from above): \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Primary Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about the program? \_\_\_\_\_

### PHOTO/VIDEO RELEASE

DO

DO NOT

consent to and authorize the use and reproduction by Saving Grace Farm of any and all photographs and any other audio/visual materials taken of me for promotional material, educational activities, exhibitions or for any other use for the benefit of the program. I understand that upon consent the material will only be used in a respectful manner and only by the center named above.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Client, Parent or Legal Guardian

In the event of an emergency, contact:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relation: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relation: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relation: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

In the event emergency medical aid/treatment is required due to illness or injury during the process of receiving services, or while being on the property of the agency, Saving Grace Farm will:

1. Secure and retain medical treatment and transportation if needed. (i.e. providing First Aid or for major concerns callings 911)
2. Release client records upon request to the authorized individual or agency involved in the medical emergency treatment.



# Liability Release Form

CLIENT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ AGE: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING

- A. I UNDERSTAND THAT Saving Grace Farm and Saving Grace Therapeutic Programs (SGTR) are in an outdoor location in nature with various hazards including, but not limited to: ponds, ditches, steep inclines, animals, insects, poison oak/ivy, snakes, etc. and that there are inherent risks always present in such a location. Knowing these risks, I will be responsible for myself, my children and our own safety.
- B. I UNDERSTAND THAT horseback riding and horse activities are classified as a rugged recreational sport activity, and that there are numerous obvious and non-obvious inherent risks always present in such activity despite all safety precautions. I further understand that no horse is completely predictable, and that even well trained horses can become frightened and spook, may divert from its training and act according to its natural survival instincts which may include, but are not limited to: sudden stopping, stopping short, changing directions or speed at will, shifting its weight, bucking, rearing, kicking, biting, or running from danger.
- C. I UNDERSTAND THAT Saving Grace Farm or SGTR are not responsible for total or partial acts, occurrences, or elements of nature that can scare a horse, cause it to fall, or react in some other unsafe way. Some examples are: Thunder, lightening, rain, wind, water, wild or domestic animals, insects, and reptiles.
- D. I UNDERSTAND THAT participants must not carry loose items around horses which may fall, blow away, flap in the wind, bounce, or make sharp noises, possibly scaring a horse. Some examples are cameras, hats not securely fastened under chin, toys. Riders should not make sharp, loud noises, such as screaming or yelling, which may scare a horse.
- E. I AGREE THAT should emergency medical treatment be required, I and/or my own accidental/medical insurance company **shall pay for all** such incurred expenses. My accidental/medical insurance company is \_\_\_\_\_.
- F. I UNDERSTAND THAT all riders must wear protective headgear.
- G. **I AGREE THAT** pursuant to the General Statutes of North Carolina, Chapter 99E, Special Liability Provisions, Article 1, Equine Liability Activity Liability, and under the terms set forth herein, I, the participant (or parent if under 18), and on behalf of my child and/or legal ward, heirs, administrators, personal representatives or assigns, do agree to hold harmless, release, and discharge Saving Grace Farm or SGTR, their owners, agents, employees, volunteers, officers, directors and all others acting on their behalf, of and, from all claims, demands, causes of action and legal liability, whether the same be known or unknown, anticipated or unanticipated, due to Saving Grace Farm or SGTR's and their associates ordinary negligence, and I do further agree that except in the event of Saving Grace Farm' or SGTR's gross negligence and willful and wanton misconduct, I shall not bring any claims, demands, legal actions and causes of action, against this stable and its associates as stated above in this clause, or any economic and non-economic losses due to bodily injury, death, property damage, sustained by me and /or my minor child and/or legal ward in relation to the premises and operations of this control of Saving Grace Farm or SGTR, whether on or off the premises of this stable.

**WARNING**

Under North Carolina Law, an equine activity sponsor or equine professional is not liable for an injury to or the death of a participant in equine activities resulting exclusively from the inherent risks of equine activities. Chapter 99E of the North Carolina General Statutes.

**I/WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE FOREGOING AGREEMENT, WARNINGS, RELEASE , AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature of Participant if over 18** (Parent/Guardian if under 18) \_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Home Phone                      Business Phone                      Mobile Phone                      Email address**

## Saving Grace Farm ~ "Horse Club" Lesson Policies

- **Cost:** \$50/month. Payment is due the last lesson of the previous month or by the 1st. Payments may be made online. Payments made after the 5th of the month will incur a \$5 late fee.
- **Discontinuing Lessons:** a two week notice is required to terminate your relationship with Saving Grace Farm.
- Students should arrive 5 to 10 minutes prior to lessons to ensure they are ready and prepared to begin.
- **Tardiness:** Lessons will begin and end at their scheduled time, so being late cuts into your time in the lesson.
- **Attire:** We recommend pants and weather appropriate clothing. Sturdy, closed-toed shoes that stay on securely are REQUIRED. No crocs, sandals, flip flops, dress flats, etc. We have helmets available or you may purchase your own.
- **Absence:** No discounts will be given for absences. Occasional makeup times will be offered for the group when the schedule allows and your child may sign up for those makeups if they have missed weeks prior.
- **Privacy:** Saving Grace also offers Therapeutic Programs to people with special needs and disabilities. Please respect the rights and privacy of these participants. If you overhear information about these participants or you observe their lessons, please do not share their names/information outside of our facility.
- Saving Grace Farm reserves the right to refuse service to, or ban from the property, etc. anyone who disrupts programming, does not follow farm rules, or acts unethically, illegally, or disrespectfully to ANYONE on the premises.
- Family and friends should not enter areas with horses and should wait in designated areas if staying onsite. Children should be supervised at all times unless under direct supervision of the instructor.
- **Our Curriculum:** In Horsemanship there is much more to learn about horses than just riding. A good Equestrian knows how to lead, feed, groom, bathe, give first aid, care for the equipment, etc. Groundwork teaches responsibility, empathy, respect, and other valuable information that is useful in horse ownership and in life. It also helps with empowering the student, managing a horse safely from the ground, earning the horse's respect, and teaching the student how to safely interact with the animal, etc. Ground lessons are a part of our curriculum here and will be given on the weeks between your student's designated ride times.

At Saving Grace Farm, we try to emulate mutual respect and trust, and we hope that you will see this, as you participate in the programs we have to offer here. Thank you for your participation in the programs at Saving Grace Farm.

Janna Griggs  
Executive Director

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Please detach and return, keep policies for your records

I/We, the undersigned, have received, read and understand the Lesson Policy for Saving Grace Farm and I/We do hereby agree to adhere by these policies. We also understand that Saving Grace Farm has the right to refuse service if we do not follow, within reason, the policies listed.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of rider/guardian if client is under 18

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Name of Rider \_\_\_\_\_

DOB \_\_\_\_\_