



VOLUNTEER APPRENTICE

Job Description

Gunstock Ranch's Volunteer Apprentice program is designed to teach people interested in horses and the horse industry through hands-on experience. Volunteer Apprentices will learn to basic horse husbandry, health and care, facility maintenance, and be introduced to riding.

The Volunteer Apprentice program is 16 weeks long. At the end of 16 weeks, the volunteer will be able to properly handle a horse, know basic care and feeding, and have the basic skills to control a horse both from the ground and in the saddle.

Job Requirements

- q Must be at least 15 years of age
- q **Must have a desire to learn about horses and horsemanship**
- q **Must be able to dedicate at least 8 hours per week to volunteering at the ranch**
- q Must be able to lift 50 pounds
- q Must wear proper attire - jeans, boots or covered shoes, and shirt with sleeves (short or long)
- q Must follow Gunstock Ranch safety policies and procedures
- q Must have a strong work ethic
- q Must have good attendance
- q Exhibit a genuine concern for safety while working around horses

Compensation

Volunteer / Unpaid

Employment / Hiring Policies

Ranch employment is fun and fulfilling work. It is also very hard work. We search for staff members that are mature, self-starting, have strong communications skills, team players, appreciate nature, and have a strong desire to learn more about horses and horsemanship. Staff members must be flexible in their work responsibilities at Gunstock Ranch. Every staff member will be expected to help in every area of ranch operations at some time or another such as mucking stalls/paddocks, feeding, grooming, and other misc. chores.

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