

# HORSE CAMP FAQ

**COWPOKE HORSE CAMP: COMPLETED GRADES 3-6**

**RANCH HAND & COWBOY HORSE CAMPS: COMPLETED GRADES 6-9**

## WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN COWPOKE, COWBOY, AND RANCH HAND?

The main differences are the age group, the amount of ranch time, and the skill focus.

Cowpoke Camp (3rd–6th grade) is the introductory option, with 1.5 hours at the ranch each day that includes a riding lesson and a basic ground lesson in horsemanship. Campers also take part in a cabin trail ride and a horse-drawn wagon ride.

Cowboy Camp (6th–9th grade) includes 3 hours at the ranch each morning and is centered on trail riding, rodeo-style games, and group horseback activities.

Ranch Hand Camp (6th–9th grade) also includes 3 hours each morning, and places more focus on horsemanship development, including horse care, handling, and individual riding skill progression.

## WHAT EXTRA ITEMS SHOULD MY HORSE CAMPER PACK?

Campers should pack closed-toe shoes and long pants for each day at the ranch, as both are required for riding and horse activities. Clothing should be appropriate for outdoor conditions and may get dusty or dirty. Helmets are provided by camp and are required for all riders.

## WHAT IS THE OVERNIGHT OUTPOST HORSE CAMPING EXPERIENCE?

Campers in Cowboy and Ranch Hand participate in an overnight horseback camping experience to the Outpost Campsite on Camp Shamineau property. During this experience, campers ride out with their group, stay overnight in tents, cook meals over an open fire, and return the next day. This trip is built into the camp schedule and is intended to extend the ranch experience beyond daily riding time.

## SAMPLE COWPOKE SCHEDULE

**8:00** Wake up & Breakfast

**8:30** Morning Devos

**9:00** Riding Lesson

**9:45** Ground Lesson

**10:30** Cabin Time Activity

**12:00** Lunch

**(1 Afternoon Trail Ride)**

**\*Join Trailblazers for rest of the day**

## SAMPLE RANCH HAND & COWBOY SCHEDULE

**8:00** Wake up & Morning Devos

**8:30** Breakfast

**9:00** Riding Lesson

**10:30** Ground Lesson

**12:00** Lunch

**(1 Overnight Horse Camping Experience!)**

**\*Join Voyagers for rest of the day**

*\*Schedule subject to change*

