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## the Teenybopper Show Team 2025

We are excited to offer this partnership between the Mytalisha's Dream Teenybopper program and the LongShot Farm Show Team to bring you a unique opportunity. Participants will work with instructors from both organizations to prepare themselves and their project horse for late summer shows at Bit and Spur.

What is the show program?

Currently, the Teenyboppers program only allows for fun shows due to amount of kids we serve and our goal of making it accessible to as many as possible. However, we realize there are some kids who TRULY want to learn more and be more competitive and progress farther than just fun shows .. so we want to give you that opportunity.

The show team will only show at the Bit and Spur events, regular shows and western/ traditional dressage, depending on the kids and horses chosen. Riders will have to work for this opportunity.

We want your kids to know the sky is the limit, but it's not up to their parents or coach or anyone else... The work they put in, is what they will get out of this.

We will require one work day each week at LongShot Farm, one paid lesson per month at LongShot Farm, and continued participation in the Teenybopper program at Mytalisha's. In return we will supply weekly group lessons for the riders with their LongShot Farm show horses as well as coaches at the Bit and Spur shows (which is normally a position that most riders have to pay a trainer to attend and help them get ready to show at.)

Riders will be responsible for costs of show classes and stalls. We also can make sure we have tack and help the kids have appropriate show clothes for the shows as much as possible.

The 2025 Show Team program will run from early May through the end of August.

Instructors will help choose at least one and up to three shows that are appropriate for each horse/rider pair.

To apply to the program:

1) You must be part of the Teenyboppers program in good standing

2) For every show you show at, you must volunteer 2 hours at another Bit and Spur Event. Shows don't run themselves. They need people to help keep them going.

3) You need to have at least two years of lessons at an approved barn. You also have to have had at least two lessons with Jennifer prior to applying.

4) You have to be willing to WORK for your extra experiences. A program like this normally costs at minimum \$2000/ per season. We are offering a handful of free scholarships to those kids who truly WANT to work for what they want to accomplish.

5) Five hours of community service in addition to the teen program community service is required per month. This can be extra hours at the horse show, or helping a parent, grandparent or neighbor. We want you to look around and see something that needs to be done, and reach out and make a difference. We are volunteering our time, and we expect the kids do the same.

6) Fill out the written application (below) and provide a 1 minute video telling us why you would be a good choice for the program. Video **must** be an unlisted YouTube link.

Applications (attached below) for the Show Team open February 15th, 2025 and must be emailed to <u>jennifer@longshotfarm.net</u> no later than March 15, 2025. Only three teens will be accepted!

Applications and videos will be reviewed and the finalists will be selected and notified no later than April 1. Once the finalists are chosen, we will hold riding try in early April. The 2025 Teenybopper Show Team Riders will be announced April 12th.

This is an experience of a lifetime!! And we want kids in it that will acknowledge that and treat it as such.



True horse lover kids who are willing to put in the work to reach their goals.

If you think you are one of these kids... Please apply.



But know... If you are missing one of the qualifications, we hope that you spend this year working towards being a part of it next year!!

We will do our part to help the kids achieve their goals, but they need to be committed and want to work for them as well.



We are excited to see how far each rider will take this! -Jennifer, Kari, and Shar

## 2025 Teenybopper Show Team Application

Name:

DOB:

Address:

Parent/Guardian:

Phone number:

Email:

How long have you been a member of the Teenybopper program?

Tell us about your riding experience.... Where have you taken lessons? For how long? What is one thing you've learned well?

Have you ridden with Jennifer at least twice prior to this? Please give approximate dates

Will you be able to fulfill the volunteer requirements for this program?

Will you be able to attend weekly group show prep lessons on Fridays?

Are you able to commit to at least one paid lesson per month (June, July, and August) at LongShot Farm?

Do you have prior horse show experience? If so please describe

When you think of your own horsemanship, what is the one thing you are most proud of?

What do you think is your biggest challenge in your horsemanship?

What is one goal you have, or one thing you REALLY want to learn about with your show horse?

If you've ever watched a horse show, what's your favorite event?

Parent/Guardian signature giving permission for this applicant to participate in the 2025 Teenybopper Show Team:

date\_\_\_\_\_

Feel free to use as many pages as needed to give us your answers. Please submit your application, a brief written recommendation from a parent/guardian AND a fellow Teenybopper, and a 1 minute video telling us why you are a good choice for this unique program to jennifer@longshotfarm.net no later than March 15th, 2025. We require YouTube unlisted link for video format. We look forward to hearing from you!