



Saving Grace Farm, Inc.

Operating as Saving Grace Therapeutic Programs

725 Jackson Road

Salisbury, NC 28146

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www.savinggracefarm.com



Dear Parent/Guardian or Participant,

Thank you for your interest in beginner lessons at Saving Grace Farm. If you would like to ride in our lesson program here, we simply ask that you fill out an application and liability release so that we may have all the information needed for their participation.

NOTE: If you or your dependent child are interested in our *Therapeutic Horsemanship* program for people with special needs, please download the TH Participant Application from www.savinggracefarm.com.

We look forward to meeting and working with you. Lessons are \$125/month. Lessons typically occur once a week. We do allow make-ups or credits toward another month if your instructor has to reschedule, however, just as with dance or any other after-school activity, we do not offer refunds or make-ups for lessons that you have to miss. Our beginner lessons are based on natural horsemanship techniques, balanced-seat riding, and proper horse handling skills. The horses make the lessons fun and engaging. Our instructors focus on proper skill and safety. We hope that your child, as many do, receives much more than a "riding lesson" or "pony ride" here, as there is so much more that we can learn from horses.

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

Or call ahead to bring to the farm.

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

Sincerely,

Janna Griggs

Executive Director

Lesson Application
GENERAL INFORMATION

RIDER NAME: _____

DOB: _____ Age: _____ Height: _____ Weight: _____ Gender: M F

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email _____ Alternative #: _____

Employer/School: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Parent/Legal Guardian: _____

Address (if different from above): _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Referral Source: _____

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: _____

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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

Lesson Policy

We are excited to have you join us! Before the fun begins, we have a few policies to go over to aid in our program running more smoothly. We understand that sometimes there are extenuating circumstances and we will be as considerate of your situation as possible. We ask that you be considerate of our time and programs as well.

- Riding lessons at Saving Grace Farm are \$125 per month, by appointment only. Payments due at the first lesson of the month.
- Lessons should be paid for monthly. If you need to make other arrangements, you MUST speak to the Director the month prior to any change.
- Students should arrive 5 to 10 minutes prior to lessons to ensure they are ready and prepared to begin.
- If a student is going to be late, please contact the instructor in ADVANCE so she can make arrangements to shorten or reschedule the lesson. Lessons will begin and end at their scheduled time, so being late cuts into your time with the instructor.
- If a student will be absent, please notify the instructor immediately. We ask that you give at least a one day notice if possible. If you do not let your instructor know you will not be attending, we consider this a "no show". 3 "no shows" within 6 months will result in dismissal from the lesson program.
- 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 information outside of our facility.
- Saving Grace Farm reserves the right to refuse to do business with, or ban from the property, etc. anyone who disrupts programming, does not follow farm rules, or acts unethically, illegally, or disrespectfully toward anyone on farm property.
- Family and friends are welcome to watch lessons. However, no one is allowed to handle horses, or enter arenas, paddocks, pastures or stalls without signing a liability release. Of course petting over the fence is welcome by any visitor! And the horses love treats, just ask for a bowl so they don't confuse fingers with carrots.

If a lesson is canceled by the instructor, Saving Grace will try to reschedule, or we will offer a credit toward your next month. 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 wonderful programs we have to offer here.

Thank you for your participation in the programs at Saving Grace Farm.

Janna Griggs
Director & Lead Instructor

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 Chandelle 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 _____