

2016  
Summer Riding Camp  
Music City Riding Academy  
2950 Hwy 41A North  
Shelbyville, TN 37160

Thank you for your interest in the Music City Riding Academy Summer Riding Camp program. Our camp has been operating for 20+ yrs. We are the 2<sup>nd</sup> longest operating horseback riding camp in the area. We believe in being safe and having fun. We try to develop responsibility, determination, and the desire to learn. We only have 8 campers per week. Campers must be 7 yrs of age. Camp runs 8 am – 2 pm daily. Aftercare is available 2 pm – 6 pm for an additional cost.

Campers have riding lessons on our well schooled horses in the round pens and the arenas. Helmets are worn at all times when handling/riding the horses. This includes in the grooming and washes areas. Campers also learn about feeding the horses, they will see veterinary procedures and farrier work. They will also learn about barn/stable maintenance. During lunch we will have discussions about careers with horses, the horse in the world of art and sporting events with horses.

Campers need to wear jeans or riding breeches. Again, riding helmets are required-----bicycle helmets are not allowed. We do have several helmets available for campers to use or you may purchase one.\* Bug spray and sunscreen are also necessary. Campers bring their lunch and we provide lots of water and Gatorade. We do not provide sodas (and discourage them).

I know you may have questions so feel free to contact me at 615-495-7346 or email me [nashfad@aol.com](mailto:nashfad@aol.com). Our website [www.musiccityridingacademy.com](http://www.musiccityridingacademy.com)

Rebekah Hall

\*I feel I must address behavior. Children come in here excited and anxious. This is a large noisy place with lots going on every day. The children are anxious, nervous and excited. This is normal. We take our time here and each child works a his/her own pace. We do not have to get from A - Z in “X” amount of time. If at any time there is a behavior issue, a discussion will be had with the parents immediately and we will go from there. And by

“behavior issue”, for example; running away, physical abuse and bullying, and creating an unsafe/unhealthy atmosphere for the other campers. (have only had 1 “issue” in 30 yrs)

Our daily schedule is as follows:

Monday: Children arrive and we tour the facility and meet the camp horses. We go over the safety rules. We learn how to safely handle our horses from the ground (leading, walking, whoa, etc). We go over putting the halter on our horse. The children are introduced to their equipment and we go over grooming and tacking our horse. In the arena on Monday, we go over mounting the horse correctly and safely. All of the above is repeated over and over on Monday. We usually break for lunch around noon so make sure your child does eat a good breakfast. After lunch, campers take care of their horses from the morning activities (un-tack, feed, groom) and put their equipment up.

As each day goes by, your child becomes more confident and self reliant. We get to ride a bit more each day because the group as a whole is functioning better. Before each riding session, I encourage campers to go to the restroom. Once we are on the horses, it is very difficult to get 1 child off the horse and take him/her to the restroom. (We will if absolutely necessary) So please speak to your child about this. Children under 10 are escorted to the restroom by a camp counselor-----no one will go into the restroom with your child but will stand outside the door and wait for them. This way we know they get to and from the restroom safely.

The camp counselors are some of my award winning junior riders. These girls know the ropes on safety and are great with the campers.

If you have any questions, pls contact me via email or 615-495-7346

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Weeks available:

May 23 – 27

July 11 - 15

May 30 – June 3

July 18 - 22

June 6 – 10

July 27 – July 1

June 13 – 17

June 20 – 24

June 27 – July 1

## Summer Camp Application

Child Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mother \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Cell

Work

Father \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone#(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Cell

Work

Week(s) desired (see dates above) \_\_\_\_\_

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\$100 non refundable deposit required with application to hold place in camp.  
Balance of \$150 to be paid first day of camp.

Checks should be made out to Rebekah Hall

Mail to: 2950 Hwy 41A North Shelbyville TN 37160

Bring lunch----we have cold storage. Bring shorts to put on after riding if desired. Campers must wear jeans/riding pants when on the horse. We provide ASTM/SEI approved riding helmets. Bring sunscreen and bug spray if desired. **CAMPERS NEED TO EAT A GOOD BREAKFAST.**

Aftercare available 2 pm- 6 pm for \$30/day.....please give us 2 week notice if after care is needed.

Anything special we need to know? Inhalers? Allergies? Food allergies?

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Feel free to contact me with questions/concerns. 615-495-7346

