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VOLUNTEER APPLICATION FORM

_____ Check here if volunteer is younger than 18 years of age

CONTACT

Name of Volunteer _____

Parents names (if a minor) _____

Date of Birth _____

Email address _____

Complete Address _____

Best number to reach volunteer _____

SCHEDULE

Please let us know the days of the week and times you would like to volunteer.

PLEASE INDICATE THE FOLLOWING

Specific areas of interest: Please check all that apply. We will try and accommodate your interests. Due to the different needs at the farm, we cannot always guarantee that you will get a task for which you have checked.

_____ Gardening/Landscaping

_____ Hay Management

_____ Building/Construction Projects

_____ Staining/Painting

_____ Office Work

_____ Anything and Everything

____ Photography

____ Music

____ Arts/Crafts

SKILLS

As a volunteer, what are your strengths?

How did you hear about de la Cruz Farms?

Why would you like to be a de la Cruz Farm volunteer?

What message would you like to convey, while volunteering, to children and families who utilize the farm?

Tell us about yourself if you would like.....interests, hobbies, funny stories, achievements, etc.

OUR MISSION AND CORE VALUES

Our mission here at the farm is to provide a safe, interactive experience for children and families to share and grow in Jesus Christ. Our three core values are to share Jesus Christ, Disciple Child and Family and Nurture God's Creation.

Do you have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ? Yes or No or Would like to discuss _____

Will you agree to abide by, honor and respect the statement of faith, by laws, policies, rules and activities of de la Cruz Farms?

Do you have any questions about this application?

REFERENCES

PLEASE LIST 3 PEOPLE—NOT RELATIVES WHO KNOW YOU WELL WHOM WE MAY CONTACT. INCLUDE NAME, COMPLETE ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE. PLEASE INCLUDE:

1. A person in ministry
2. Someone who attends your church
3. One other person of your choice (adult)

- A. AGREEMENT SCOPE AND TERRITORY AND DEFINITIONS: This agreement shall be legally binding upon me the registered volunteer, my heirs, estate, assigns, including all minor children, and personal representatives; and it shall be interpreted according to the laws of the state and county of This Farm’s physical location. This agreement is intended to be valid and binding at all times now and in the future when This Farm permits me (directly or indirectly) to enter This Farm’s property, be on this This Farm’s property, be near any horse, receive horse activity instruction or guidance from its associates and/or when I am near horses on or off of This Farm’s property. Any disputes by the volunteer shall be litigated in, and venue shall be the county in which This Farm’s physically located. This agreement is intended to be as broad and inclusive as the law permits. If any clause, phrase or word is in conflict with state law, then that single part is null and void. The terms “Horse” and “Equine” herein shall refer to all equine species. The terms, “I”, “We”, “Me”, “My” shall herein refer to the above registered volunteer and the parents or legal guardians thereof if a minor.
- B. INHERENT RISKS/ASSUMPTION OF RISKS: I/We acknowledge that: Risks, conditions, and dangers are inherent in horse/equine/animal/bee activities, regardless of all feasible safety measures which can be taken, and I agree to assume them. The inherent risks include, but are not limited to any of the following: The possibility of an animal to behave in ways that may result in injury, harm, death, or loss to persons on or around the animal; The unpredictability of

an equine's reaction to sounds, sudden movement, unfamiliar objects, persons, or other animals; Hazards, including, but not limited to, surface or subsurface conditions; A collision, encounter and /or confrontation with another equine, another animal, a person or an object; The potential of an equine activity volunteer to act in a negligent manner that may contribute in injury, harm, death, or loss to the volunteer or to other persons, including but not limited to, failing to maintain control over an equine and/or failing to act within the ability of the volunteer. Horses are 5 to 15 times larger, 20 to 40 times, more powerful, and 3 to 4 times faster than a human. If a rider falls from a horse to the ground it will generally be at a distance of from 3 ½ to 5 ½ feet, and the impact may result in harm to the rider. Horse activities in which one much smaller, weaker predator animal (the human) tries to impose its will on, and become one unit of movement with, another much larger, stronger prey animal that has a mind of its own (the horse) and each has a limited understanding of the other. If a horse is frightened or provoked it may divert from its training and act according to its natural survival instincts which may include,, but are not limited to: Stopping short; Spinning around; Changing directions and/or speed at will; Shifting its weight; Bucking; Rearing; Kicking; Biting; and/or Running from danger. I also acknowledge that these are just some of the risks and I agree to assume others not mentioned above. I am not relying on This Farm to list all possible risks for me.

- C. CONDITIONS OF NATURE WARNING. UNFAMILIAR AND SUDDEN SIGHTS, SOUNDS AND MOVEMENTS WARNING AND INSPECTION OF PREMISES: I/We acknowledge that: This Farm is NOT responsible for total or partial acts, occurrences, or elements of nature and/or sudden and/or unfamiliar sights, sounds and/or sudden movements that can scare a horse, cause it to fall, or react in some other unsafe way. SOME EXAMPLES ARE: Thunder, lightning, rain, wind, wild and domestic animals, insects, reptiles, which may walk, run, or fly near, or bite or sting a horse or person; and irregular footing on out-of-door groomed or wild land which is subject to constant change in condition according to weather, temperature, and natural and man-made changes in landscape. I also understand that these are just some of the risks and I agree to assume others not mentioned above. I am not relying on This Farm to list all possible conditions for me. The volunteer or parent or legal guardian have inspected This Farm's facilities and are satisfied that all premise conditions are reasonably safe for this volunteer's intended purpose to monitor my compliance with this suggestion at any time now or in the future.
- D. LIABILITY RELEASE: I/We agree that: If a minor, at least one parent or legal guardian agrees to remain on The Farm facility while volunteer is participating in activities and monitor the activities from a distance and to immediately notify The Farm staff of any behavior or activities that may be potentially unsafe for Volunteer. In consideration of This Farm allowing my participation in this activity, under the terms set forth herein, I, the volunteer, for myself and on behalf of my child and /or legal ward, heirs, administrators, personal representatives or assigns, do agree to release, hold harmless, and discharge This Farm, its owners, agents, employees, officers, directors, representatives, volunteers, assigns, members, owners of premises and trails, affiliated organizations, and insurers, and others activating on their behalf (hereinafter, collectively referred to as "Associates"), of and from all claims, demands, causes of action and legal liability, whether the same be known or unknown, anticipated or unanticipated, due to This Farm's and/or its Associates ordinary negligence or legal liability; and I do further agree that

