BRINGING YOUR HORSE TO CAMP-INFORMATION & GUIDELINES

Houghton University Equestrian Center 9823 School Farm Road, Houghton, NY 14744

- You may bring your horse to the Houghton Equestrian Center AFTER 3:00pm on Sunday of check-in. Staff will be there to assist you and show you where your horse will be staying for the week. Once your horse is settled, you can join the rest of the campers down in Gillette Hall for camper registration.
- Be sure your horse is up-to-date on Coggins test, rabies inoculation, & a 5 way vaccine (EEE/WEE, Flu/Rhino, Tetanus. Must bring photocopy of certificates/vet paperwork with you.
- Pack your horse's grain in labeled zip-lock bags with amount of grain and any supplements or medications pre-measured and included in the appropriate meals so staff know exactly what your horse receives for each feeding. EXAMPLE: MONDAY AM: Star, Suzy Jones, MONDAY PM: Star, Suzy Jones, etc.
- Bring your saddle with fittings, bridle, halter and lead rope, and any splint boots, etc. you normally use with your horse. Bring several saddle pads, so you have dry or fresh saddle pads for your lessons. (We do have washer and dryer at the barn, to launder saddle pads, but cannot get 18 to 36 pads washed and dried EVERY day). It is strongly recommended that you have everything labeled with your name, so it does not get mixed up with other campers' gear!
- Bring a couple of bales of hay, to keep your horse munching happily during times he/she is in a stall.
- Bring 2 water buckets and a feed bucket for your horse.
- Bring fly-spray and/or a fly mask for your horse.
- Each stall at the Houghton University Equestrian Center has a horizontal clear plastic sleeve for a stall sign. We will have one made for you but feel free to make a horizontal paper sign (standard typing paper size) with photos and information about your horse to go on the front of the stall! That will help the other campers and the camp staff get to know your horse.
- Be sure your horse's feet are in good shape, appropriately shod or trimmed and ready for work. He or she will get ridden 10 or more times during your week at camp, and you don't want your horse to be unable to keep up because of tender feet!
- There is parking space at the equestrian center for trailers to be left during the week of camp, if desired.
- Picking forks, wheelbarrows, and shovels are available at the equestrian center, as is sawdust/pellet bedding. You do not need to bring those with you.
- There are paddocks for limited turnout available, so your horse can nibble grass and blow off steam.