



GIRL SCOUTS OF EASTERN IOWA & WESTERN ILLINOIS RANCH HAND PROGRAM



A ranch hand is a girl who helps with the weekend troop horseback riding and other horse events at Camp Conestoga. Girls are selected through a personal interview and a riding skill demonstration.

TO APPLY:

1. Complete the ranch hand application by deadline date.
2. Once the Horse Riding Instructor has received the completed application, she will contact each applicant to arrange for an interview and a riding skill demonstration.
3. Selection will be based on application information, personal interview, and riding skill demonstration.
4. If selected, applicant must attend ranch hand training.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- ◆ Registered Girl Scout – currently 7th grade or above
- ◆ Saddle and bridle independently
- ◆ Halter and lead a horse
- ◆ Independently mount and dismount a horse
- ◆ Handle and control a horse at all gaits in the open
- ◆ Positive attitude to work and help younger Girl Scouts ride
- ◆ Emotional maturity

INTERVIEW AND RIDING DEMONSTRATION:

- ◆ The interview and demonstration will be held at Camp Conestoga Equestrian Facility.
- ◆ The riding demonstration will include all of the above mentioned qualifications.
- ◆ Interview and riding demonstration will require about 30-60 minutes.
- ◆ Arrive dressed to ride.

INTERVIEW DATES

You will be contacted for your interview date.

TRAINING DATES

We have training in the spring each year at Camp Conestoga Equestrian Facility. Fee for training is \$35.00

The attached application must be mailed one month prior to training to: **Joanne Dumar**
Ranch Hand Program
2011 2nd Ave
Rock Island, IL 61201

If you have any questions, contact Joanne Dumar, Equestrian Program Manager at 563-349-6149 or joanned@gseiwi.org.

