



Great Escape Mustang Collaborative 2024 Youth Trainer Program Application

Please note that for the GEMs Youth program, all competitors will showcase In Hand and be between that age of 10-17 years of age. All applications, along with two letters of recommendation from 1 horse professional and 1 professional that has supervised the youth trainer in school, work, activities, etc needs to be submitted via email to info@greatescapemustangs.org by May 3rd, 2024.

Youth Trainer Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home #: _____ Cell #: _____ Email: _____

Age: _____. Birthdate: _____

Parent or Guardian #1

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home #: _____ Cell #: _____ Email: _____

Drivers License: _____ State: _____

Employment Status: Yes/No, By Whom: _____

Parent or Guardian #2

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home #: _____ Cell #: _____

Drivers License: _____ State: _____

Employment Status: Yes/No, By Whom: _____

Emergency Contact #1 (if different than parent/guardian)

Name : _____

Phone #1 : _____ Phone #2: _____

Emergency Contact #2 (if different than parent/guardian)

Name : _____

Phone #1 : _____ Phone #2: _____

Questionnaire:

All questions must be completed. Please feel free to use additional pages if necessary.

1. How many years have you worked with horses? _____

2. What discipline do you favor? _____

3. Have you ever been accused or convicted of animal or human abuse/neglect/cruelty? _____

4. Are you a professional or have you received compensation for training? _____

5. Have you trained "unhandled" mustangs, if so, how many? _____

6. Do you have any equine related licenses or certifications? _____

7. Do you compete in horse related events, if so, which disciplines/breeds do you compete in?

8. Have you won awards and/or recognition in these disciplines?

9. Will you be participating in any other Mustang events this summer?

10. Do you own a riding helmet? Y/N If yes, please provide which brand.

11. What equine trainers have you worked with in the past? Are you currently working with a trainer, if so, who?

12. Which equine trainers' techniques have you researched or adapted as your own?

13. If you are selected for our program, where will you house your horse? Please be specific in regards to physical address, size of pen, loafing shed, other animals on property etc. Please also provide information on your trailer type (ramp or no ramp; stock trailer, straight load, slant load etc).

14. Do you have a veterinarian and farrier? If so, please provide their names and respective phone numbers.

15. Please submit a youth trainer bio + photo (may be used in part for promotional purposes) with an explanation as to why you think we should select you as a trainer for the GEMs Youth Trainer Program.

The GEMs Youth Program selection committee may request a phone call/video chat/Zoom with the applicant prior to final selection decision. An adult will be requested to be present for this call if applicable.

By signing below, I am stating that I am aware and in agreement that participation in this event is by juried selection; therefore, the Great Escape, Inc. has the unqualified right to determine eligibility and can, at any time, remove a contestant

from Great Escape Mustang Collaborative Youth Program and competition for any reason. I am also stating that all application questions have been answered honestly by the trainer applying for this competition.

1. You agree to provide the Equine(s) with a good home and proper treatment and care, including appropriate shelter, food, water and medical attention and shall comply with all federal, state, and local laws and regulations related to the care of the equine. You further agree to provide the Equine(s) with safe and adequate shelter, turnout area, adequate and safe fencing, and appropriate and regular exercise.
2. You agree you will assume all responsibility for the care and well-being of the mustang provided. You agree to pay all normal and necessary expenses for the care of said horse consistent with the practices of good animal husbandry, including but not limited to board, worming, veterinary expenses, shoeing, trimming, and hauling.
3. While we at Great Escape try our best to get to know the animals under our care and predict the way they will adjust to a facility under various circumstances, it is impossible to predict any animal's behavior with certainty.
4. Great Escape is leasing for temporary guardianship of the Mustang in Training to the youth trainer/guardian parent. Under no circumstances shall you abandon the Equine(s), breed the Equine(s), or sell or transfer the Equine(s). The Equine(s) may never be sent to auction, sold to a horse dealer or kill buyer or be offered "for free" on any advertising system. The Mustang in Training will be returned to Great Escape after the completion of the competition(s).
5. You understand that Great Escape will provide support, if needed, and has the right to monitor progress through video, phone calls, videos, etc, to check on the progress of the Equine(s). We encourage you to contact Great Escape with any questions you may have or just to let us know how your Equine(s) is doing.
6. You agree to notify Great Escape immediately if Equine becomes ill, colics, is injured or dies. Youth trainer agrees not to euthanize Equine until Great Escape approves such euthanasia, unless it is clear that the Equine will not recover from the injury or illness it has sustained.
7. You agree to attempt to contact Great Escape within a reasonable amount of time, should you feel that medical treatment is needed for Equine, however, if you are unable to contact Great Escape, you are then authorized to secure emergency care required for the health and well-being of said Equine. All costs of such care incurred will be covered by the youth trainer while the Equine is in your care.
8. Great Escape does not guarantee the health of any animal and is not responsible for the medical needs of any animal.
9. Great Escape, its past, present and future officers, directors, agents and employees shall not be held responsible for any defects and/or illness which the Equine may have or may develop or for any damage or injury to any person or property that may be caused by the Equine(s). You agree to release and indemnify and hold harmless Great Escape, its past, present and future officers, directors, agents, and employees from and against any and all liability, claims, suits, actions, judgments, costs, fees, including reasonable attorneys' fees and damages for any damage or injury to any person or property that may be caused by the animal and/or arising out of and/or in connection with the Equine(s).
10. You agree that Great Escape may use or authorize the use of any photographs or video of the youth trainer and the Equine(s) in any way it deems appropriate to support its mission, including, but not limited to, fundraising purposes.
11. Non-participation will be determined by the Great Escape Mustang Collaborative after advice from a Veterinarian, Medical Professional, or Mustang Training Expert.

By signing below I hereby WAIVE, RELEASE and DISCHARGE Great Escape Mustang Collaborative, and their representatives and employees of and from all liability, and any and all possible causes of action in law or equity that may result from an injury to me (including death). I further agree to INDEMNIFY and HOLD HARMLESS Great Escape Mustang Collaborative and their representatives and employees for damages, attorney fees and expenses resulting from an injury to me including death), my facilities, or anyone in my care, even if such injury or damage is caused or claimed to be

caused by the negligence or other actionable conduct Great Escape Mustang Collaborative or their representatives or employees.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent or Guardian Name and Signature:

Name(s): _____

Signature(s): _____ Date: _____