

## **RMDS JR Camp Director**

Purpose: To create an environment for junior riders that are already participating or want to participate in Dressage that allows them to learn and share their love of horses with other junior riders. It is important for the riders to have fun, and hopefully create friendships with each other.

### **Camp Director:**

- The person that is directly responsible for the schedule and daily events of the camp.
- They will determine the theme for the camp.
- They will do the paperwork involved in advertising, receive camp pre-registration, and collect funds and forms.
- They are responsible for getting instructors for the riders, organize the food that will be served, setting up the groups of riders and tent assignments, figuring out fun activities that will entertain the camper and communicate with the Assistant Director as to how they can help.

During the camp they continue their leadership role with campers and parents and maintain a clear purpose for the camp. They are there with the campers and along with the assistant to organize and entertain the riders. They are there 24/7.

Last year the Jr/Yr coordinator was available to the director for the pre-camp organization and themes of the camp.

The camp coordinator is to aid in any way to make the camp a success!

### **Assistant Camp Director:**

The job of the assistant camp director (ACD) is to be the "right hand man" for the camp director by helping brainstorm and implement the direction of camp as well as finalize all details from big to small.

Before camp:

- Constant and regular meetings with the camp director to aid in any decision making as well as help form ideas for the betterment of camp.
- Decipher if separate tasks will be given to finalize between assistant and director.
- Complete all tasks decided upon to be the responsibility of assistant camp director.
- Willingness to make calls to others to get trainers to volunteer or whoever may be needed for activities.

During camp:

- Welcoming committee to campers coming in
- help them settle themselves and horses in as well as familiarize them with the facility
- receive group finished with lesson or activity
- organize and "send-off" next group to lesson or activity
- make sure any with free time are being responsible for themselves and horses
- Constant check on horses
- reinforce responsibility of cleanliness for horse, stall, tack and tack/feed stall
- organize all campers so meals are eaten together
- dissemble food/meal room
- make sure campers stick to the schedule written by camp director
- talk with campers about what they learned; ask questions to get them to go further
- organize games at night that encourage bonding and not cliques
- encourage them to help each other and support one another
- help the director in whatever he/she may need at any given time

After camp:

Sleep! :)