



Sacred Earth Foundation

Ekone Ranch...a place for children of all ages

Ekone Summer Camp Intern Information

Ekone Summer Camp depends on many wonderful camp interns to help camp run smoothly. Most of our interns have attended camp for a few seasons and are ready to take on more responsibility. Here are a few things you should know before submitting your application.

Interns are ages 13-18, with priority given to returning interns and campers who have proven themselves hard working, positive, and ready to take on some responsibility.

Being an Intern is work! We ask our interns for lots of help each day. You will be assigned to a staff member to work with, who will provide you with direction, guidance, support, and supervision. Typical intern responsibilities may include:

- Helping your staff member lead a chore crew
- Running errands, delivering messages, etc
- Washing kitchen laundry
- Planning and supervising evening games and activities for the campers
- Helping with craft projects
- Assisting in the riding arena—helping riders keep their horses straight and safe in the line, managing the waiting area, etc

We expect you to be an excellent example. One of the greatest benefits to having you as an intern is knowing that you will help show other campers what being a “top hand wrangler” is all about. It means constantly looking for ways that you can help, encouraging everyone to be where they are supposed to be when they are supposed to be there, keeping a positive, energetic and enthusiastic attitude, and helping make camp a place where ALL campers are supported, everyone looks out for each other, gossip and cliques aren’t tolerated, and we have tons of fun living, working and playing together.

Interns are not staff. You will be given some responsibility and be asked to show leadership, but in general, you do not have authority over other campers. It takes maturity to find this balance, and we will help you learn to be a good leader.

Interns sometimes grow up to run the place! Caitlin, Liz, Shonie, Shannon, Julia, and “little” Caitlin (and many others!) all started as campers, then became interns, then junior staff, and are now leading the summer camp program and other aspects of Ekone. We’re excited to cultivate leadership in our interns, and look forward to watching some of you take over our jobs and have a life-changing impact on the *next* generation of Ekone kids!

We offer a \$200 tuition discount to Interns. Internships are one way that we can help make camp more affordable, BUT, please don’t apply to become an intern ONLY to get the discount. If you need more financial assistance than this, please ask us about applying for scholarship funds. Alternatively, if your family is able to afford the full tuition, we would happily apply your tuition discount to another deserving camper.

Intern Application

Date of application _____

Personal Information

Name _____ Gender _____ Age _____

Street address _____

City _____ State _____ Zipcode _____

Homephone _____

E-mail _____

Have you served as an Intern in the past? No ___ Yes ___ Years _____

Have you attended Ekone Summer Camp? No ___ Yes ___ Years _____

Why do you want to be an Ekone Camp Intern?

Do you have any specific skills, talents or interests will you be excited to share with the campers?

Does your family need the Intern tuition discount, or would you like us to apply those funds towards another camper?

Please tell us your preference of sessions, with 1 being your top pick. (Do not rate sessions that you are not available for or interested in.)

___ Session 1, Horse Camp (ages 8-18)

___ Session 2, Horse Camp (ages 8-18)

___ Session 3, Horse Camp (ages 8-18)

___ Session 4, Passage for Girls, a Wilderness Journey in Nature (ages 12-19)

___ Session 5, Horse Camp (ages 8-18)

___ Session 6, Wrangler Camp (for riders with experience, ages 12-18)

___ Session 7, Wilderness Week (ages 12-18)

Please send your completed application to summercamp@ekone.org or 401 Ekone Rd, Goldendale, WA 98620. Thanks for your interest in helping make it a great summer!!