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## **Boarding a Horse at Arrowhead** (A branch ministry of Beartooth Mountain Christian Ranch)

**Cost:** \$50 per month (not including vet bills, vaccinations, or wormers) to be paid in lump sum with tuition, or arranged in advance to pay per month.

**Arrival:** Must come with current negative Coggins test. If coming across state lines, you must check with the state of Montana for other restrictions and requirements before you cross into Montana (if you do not, it could result in fines).

### **Facilities**

- BMCR is set up more like a ranch than a boarding facility, so there will be a lot more responsibility placed on the horse owner to care for his/her horse.
- *Structures:*
  - 20-by-30 foot tack barn
  - 60-by-80 outdoor arena
  - 50-by-40 foot hitching area that can be used as a small arena
  - 20-foot diameter panel round-pen
- *Fences:* We use a combination of barbwire and high tinsel fencing throughout our 220 acre property. We are not responsible for any injuries a horse may acquire from these fences.
- *Main Campus:* This is the only section of the property that is not used as pasture for the horses. It accounts for about 15 of the 220 acres and is completely fenced off with gates and one cattle guard at the main entrance.
- *Cattle guards:* In Montana, most landowners use cattle guards to keep stock on or off their property. They are more practical than gates. We have two: one for BMCR's property entrance, and one for the entrance into Main Campus.
- *Stalls or Paddocks?* There are no stalls or individual paddocks. All of the horses run in one large herd with the exception of seriously injured horses which stay in the outdoor arena.

Again, BMCR is not responsible for any scrapes, cuts, or bites that are inevitable when horses are in a social environment.

### **Medications, Vaccinations & Veterinary Expenses:**

- *Wormer:* The horse owner can provide his/her own, but must administer it the same week as the rest of the herd.
- The horse owner can also order wormer with BMCR and we will charge him/her per horse, or per tube, whichever he/she prefers.
- *Vaccinations:* The head wrangler administers vaccinations in the spring. We purchase a 5-way and the West Nile vaccinations through the veterinary office. The horse owner can either purchase these on his/her own or order with BMCR, but all vaccinations are to be administered at the same time.
- *Veterinary Expenses:* BMCR/Arrowhead is not responsible for scrapes, cuts, injuries, or death of the individual's horse.
- We can provide a stock trailer and pickup truck free of charge, if a trip to the vet's office is necessary, but all expenses (fuel for the pickup, vet visit, etc.) are charged to the horse owner.

The horse owner is also responsible for any costs if it is necessary for the vet to make a barn call.

**Tack** (saddles, bridles, blankets, etc.)

- You may bring whatever tack you wish, but are responsible for personal storage containers in the tack room. There is limited space in the barn, so be selective in what you bring.
- We will provide one saddle rack with limited storage below and above that saddle rack. This can be adjusted on a case-by-case basis.

**No Stallions!** We have a higher percentage of geldings and a few mares and there are inherently higher risks of injury and property damage when there are stallions present. We do not have the facilities to properly contain and monitor a stallion.

**We reserve the right to ask a horse owner to find new boarding arrangements if the horse is causing excessive damage to the property and/or the other horses. This will be at the discretion of the Head Wrangler.**

**Students wishing to board a horse will need to complete a separate contract and submit it with their application for admission.**