

SONSHINE EQUINE 2026 CALENDAR

SESSION TYPE	DATES	DURATION	TIMES
Clean Up Day	March 7	4 hours	9:00am-1:00pm
Orientation for new Volunteers only	March 14	2 hours	11:00am-1:00pm
Sonshine Opening Day	March 17		
SPRING SCHEDULE			
SHINE Program for girls 12-17 years old	March 10-May 26	12 weeks	4:00pm and 5:30pm
EQUINE BLOCK #1	March 17-April 18 (Tue, Thurs or Sat)	5 weeks	As scheduled
EQUINE BLOCK #2	April 21 – May 23 (Tue, Thu or Sat)	5 weeks	As scheduled
EQUINE BLOCK #3	May 26 -June 27 (Tue, Thu or Sat)	5 weeks	As scheduled
SUMMER SCHEDULE			
Pony Camp #1	July 7,8,9 (Tue -Thu)	3 days	9:00am – 2:00pm
Pony Camp #2	July 21,22,23 (Tue -Thu)	3 days	9:00am – 2:00pm
Pony Camp #3	August 4,5,6 (Tue –Thu)	3 days	9:00am – 2:00pm
Pony Camp #4	August 18,19,20 (Tue –Thu)	3 days	9:00am – 2:00pm
FALL SCHEDULE			
SHINE Program for girls 12-17 years old	September 1-November 17	12 weeks	4:00pm and 5:30pm
EQUINE BLOCK #4	September 1- October 3	5 weeks	As scheduled
EQUINE BLOCK #5	October 6-November 7	5 weeks	As scheduled
Sonshine Family Fall Festival for current participants and family	October 10 th Saturday		11am-2pm
Live Nativity	December 11th Friday	1 night only	6:00pm – 8:00pm

Equine Education introduces horsemanship by focusing on horse care and some groundwork, enabling participants to develop empathy and compassion. Equine Assisted Activities (EAA) foster social, emotional, and life skills, preparing individuals for both riding and personal growth. These activities enhance physical, emotional, and cognitive abilities—improving core strength, balance, coordination, as well as concentration and problem-solving skills. Each session includes groundwork, riding exercises, and horseback games. We except riders from 6 years on up. Programs are structured in 5-week blocks, with each session priced at \$50

Shine Program is specifically created for teens between the ages of 12 and 17. Participants join in a small group setting with up to two girls, where they can openly discuss and address challenges and questions that are common among teenagers. The program offers a safe and supportive environment for individuals to discover more about horses, themselves, and how their experiences can be connected for healing through faith. Each session includes hands-on activities with horses that are thoughtfully integrated to encourage meaningful conversations around designated topics. The program is a 12-week commitment, meeting once a week for 90 minutes per session. Tuition is \$50 per week, or families may choose to pay \$600 for the entire 12-week block.

This year, we're adding Chip and Momo—our miniature horse and pony—to guide our pony cart sessions for both riders and non-riders. Participants will learn cart driving basics, including harnessing, grooming, and safety, then practice steering and navigating simple courses with staff support. Our program aims to build confidence, practical skills, and connections with the ponies in a fun, educational setting.

Appropriate attire is required for horse activities. All riders must wear closed toed shoes, pants, no baggy clothes, no jewelry and no perfumes.

Please contact Jan Baldt at sonshineequine@gmail.com or text 302-858-1275 for camp or sessions.

If you would like to volunteer, please contact Cheri Grieshamer by email at cgrieshamer@gmail.com.

Please feel free to share this flyer with others. We are always looking for volunteers to help with the day-to-day care of the horses, summer camp, and weekly lessons.

Contact Sharon Stevens for more information on our Shine Program at 302-236-9302 or email at scjstevens@aol.com.