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PonyUp4Kids Equine Education School Program

Teacher Handout

Program Overview

The PonyUp4Kids Foundation brings an interactive, hands-on equine education experience directly into the classroom. Students explore the world of horses through real equipment, models, and demonstrations that teach humane care, animal science, and career awareness.

This program supports New York State Education Law § 809 by promoting kindness, responsibility, and humane treatment of animals through experiential learning.

What We Bring to Your Classroom

Students engage with real tools and models used by equine professionals, including:

- **Tack & Riding Equipment** Saddles, bridles, bits, halters, reins, and more.
- **Equine Nutrition Station** Grain samples, hay types, and a scale to learn how horses are fed and why nutrition matters.
- **Life-Sized Horse Head Model** Students identify parts of the horse and practice fitting a halter or bridle safely.
- **Grooming Tools** Brushes, combs, and supplies to learn proper grooming techniques and daily care routines.
- **Horse Skeleton Model** A hands-on look at equine anatomy, movement, and how veterinarians, farriers, and trainers use this knowledge.

Learning Objectives

Students will:

- Understand the basics of humane animal care
- Learn safe handling and communication around horses
- Explore equine anatomy, nutrition, and behavior
- Practice hands-on skills using real equipment

- Discover career pathways in:
 - Veterinary care
 - Farrier work
 - Training & instruction
 - Barn management
 - Equine nutrition
 - Equine wellness & bodywork
 - Agricultural and animal-care fields

How This Supports NYS Education Law § 809

This program fulfills the law's requirements by teaching:

- Humane treatment and responsible care of animals
- Respect, empathy, and safety around living creatures
- Understanding of animals' physical and emotional needs
- Real-world examples of careers rooted in humane education

Program Length

45–60 minutes, adaptable to class periods or assemblies.

Ideal For

- Elementary, middle, and high school classrooms
- Agriculture, science, FFA, and career-exploration programs
- After-school and enrichment programs

Contact & Booking

To schedule a visit or learn more about our school programs, visit: www.ponyup4kids.com, email info@ponyup4kids.com or call (845) 724-7128