

## WELCOME TO 4-H HORSE CAMP AT SCENIC FORT ROBINSON.

Set in the beautiful Pine Ridge region of western Nebraska, Ft. Robinson provides the ideal setting to enjoy one of the greatest outdoor experiences of a lifetime. - horseback riding!

The camp's goal is to improve your skills as a horseman, build a greater bond between horse and rider, and provide useful information to enhance your expertise as a horse enthusiast.

The clinicians are seasoned veterans who will be offering hands-on activities and sage advice to increase your knowledge and equine skills.

4-H Horse Camp promises to be a memorable adventure of fun, laughter, and learning.



### Housing & Vehicle Details for Ft. Robinson Information 308-665-2900

- ◆ All motor vehicles entering Ft. Robinson must have a Park Entry Permit (\$7/day or \$54.50/annual - NE vehicles) (\$14/day or \$107/annual—Non Residents)
- ◆ A camping permit is required for overnight guests. There are limited full-hook ups, electric only, and primitive camping at the Mare Barn Complex.
- ◆ All permits are available at the lodge as you enter Ft. Robinson State Park.
- ◆ Reservation website:  
<http://nebraskastateparks.reserveamerica.com/>

### 2026 FORT ROBINSON HORSE CAMP CLINICIANS:

Robin Scherbarth

Ann Larson

Taylor Christensen

Tom Walters

Desirae Bruner

### Code of Conduct and Responsibility:

The 4-H code of conduct will be in effect. Parents and leaders are welcome to attend and may be asked to help as volunteers. Campers out of compliance with the 4-H Code will be dismissed.

### 2026 FORT ROBINSON HORSE CAMP COMMITTEE:

Desirae Bruner

Kelsey Rasmussen

Geneice & Tom Walters

Anthony Walters

Taylor Christensen

Chad Smith

Tessa Reece, Extension Staff

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# 4-H HORSE CAMP

## JUNE 11-13, 2026



## FORT ROBINSON STATE PARK CRAWFORD, NE

*“THROUGH THESE DOORS  
HAVE WALKED SOME  
OF THE WORLD’S  
FINEST HORSEMEN.”*



## Registration Information

**Deadline - May 8, 2026**

**Youth Camper Fee** \$75 (ages 8-18)  
**Adult Camper Fee** \$75 (individual)  
\$65 (with paid youth camper)

*Paid camper fees include all activities, insurance, stall for two nights/one horse at Mare Barn or Stables, craft ticket, Country Cookout, and Country Style Breakfast. Extra craft tickets and Country Cookout tickets may be purchased for \$15; Extra breakfast tickets may be purchased for \$5.*

- ◆ **Make checks payable to Nebraska Extension**  
Return Registration Form and Fee(s) to:  
Nebraska Extension Dawes County  
250 Main St., Suite 8 Chadron, NE 69337
- ◆ **Nebraska 4-H Participant Permission and Health Forms are required of ALL Youth participants.**  
Nebraska 4-H'ers may use a copy of their online enrollment permission/health questionnaire.
- ◆ While horse health papers are not required, all campers are advised to have properly vaccinated their animals and not bring an equine exhibiting signs of illness. A camp veterinarian will be on hand for inspection and will request unhealthy animals be removed from the premises.
- ◆ **What to bring:** Hay/feed for horses, shavings for stall, buckets, feed pans, bed rolls, towels, tents, toiletries, campers, all-weather boots, clothing (wet/dry, cold/hot), flashlight, a smile, baling wire, thingamajig, rope, hammer, camera, helmet, pitchfork, and a horse you can handle.  
*Swimming available at Crawford and Ft. Robinson.*
- ◆ **Participants are responsible for most of their own meals and all lodging arrangements on Thursday and Friday. A meal will be provided Friday night and Saturday morning.**
- ◆ Please remember you must purchase a camp spot to sleep in a trailer or a tent. These can be purchased from Fort Robinson.

## Thursday, June 11

**8:00 - 9:30 am** - Camp Registration/Check In  
*Mare Barn Meeting Room*

**9:45 am** - Camp Introductions & Announcements

### Sessions rotated by age division

- ◆ Senior/Adult (14 and up)
- ◆ Intermediate (11-13)
- ◆ Junior (8-10)

### Sessions:

**Riding Games**—An exciting riding games session where campers build skills, confidence, and teamwork through fun, horse-based challenges and activities.

*Ann Larson*

Location: East of Mare Barn

**Horsemanship Basics/Stretching**—Session focused on horsemanship basics, learn to better understand your horse while improving flexibility and balance through horse-inspired stretching and “horse pilates” exercises.

*Taylor Christensen*

Location: East of Arena

**Working Cow Horse**— Learn the basics of tracking, controlling, and working cattle while building confidence, precision, and partnership with their horse.

*Robin Scherbarth*

Location: Arena

**10:00 am - 11:30 am**

Junior: Riding Games  
Intermediate: Horsemanship Basics  
Senior/Adult: Working Cow Horse

**11:30 - 1:00 pm LUNCH ON YOUR OWN**

**1:00 - 2:30 pm**

Junior: Working Cow Horse  
Intermediate: Riding Games  
Senior/Adult: Horsemanship Basics

**2:30 - 3:00 pm BREAK**

**3:00 - 4:30 pm**

Junior: Horsemanship Basics  
Intermediate: Working Cow Horse  
Senior/Adult: Riding Games

**DINNER ON YOUR OWN**

Enjoy the scenery of beautiful Fort Rob or take a dive in their swimming pool, courtesy of 4-H Horse Camp.

## Friday, June 12

**6:30 am** - Care, feeding & exercise with safety.

**BREAKFAST ON YOUR OWN**

**8:00 am Hit the Riggs / Walters Trail**  
**Starting at the Fort, ending at the Fort**

*\*1 route will be offered—campers can not split off due to liability.\**

*Tom Walters & Desirae Bruner*

**11:00 - 1:00 pm LUNCH ON YOUR OWN**

### CRAFT - Rope Halter

1:00 - 3:00 pm Seniors & Intermediates

3:00 pm-5:00 pm Adults & Juniors

Location: Mare Barn Office

*Tom Walters, Desirae Bruner*

### Mane & Tail Care & Clipping

2:00 –2:30 pm Adults & Juniors

3:00-3:30 pm Intermediate & Seniors

Location: West of Mare Barn

*Taylor Christensen*

### Photography Contest

Open: 1:00-4:00 pm

*Camp Staff*

*Take pictures—share with Tessa or Melissa during camp. Pictures will be voted on during meal. Fan favorite gets a prize.*

**6:00 pm Country Cookout**

Play yard games and enjoy a catered meal at Mare Barn Complex.

## Saturday, June 13

**7:00 am - Country-Style Breakfast**  
*Courtesy of Danette Hudson.*

*Served by camp staff at Mare Barn Office*

**8:30 am - Trail Ride**

**Starting at the Fort, ending at the Fort**