2025 CAMP FAQS

Rangers & Trailblazers



WHAT IS THE RANGER PROGRAM?

The Ranger Program is a week-long, in-person opportunity for those who have aged out of the traditional resident camp program. This year, Flying Horse Farms will offer up to 3 different Ranger sessions. The program will consist of leadership development opportunities, community building, self-reflection, and creating camp magic!

While the Ranger Program contains elements of traditional camp programming, Rangers will also contribute to service projects around camp such as serving meals, camp beautification with our Facilities team, and leading activity stations at Color Olympics. Additionally, Rangers will engage in mindfulness activities, community-building with peers, reflective journaling, completing the Ranger Wall and opportunities for mentorship with younger campers.

WHAT IS TRAILBLAZER CAMP?

Trailblazer Camp is a weekend-long, in-person camp experience designed for campers who have aged out of traditional camp programming (ages 16-21. In 2025, Trailblazer weekend will be August 8-10 and will focus on camp activities, life skills, and transitioning into adulthood. Trailblazer Camp is open to all developmental levels and medical and mental health diagnoses currently being served by FHF.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

New in 2025! Campers are eligible to apply to attend both Ranger and Trailblazer programming if they choose. They are no longer asked to choose one path or the other. All applications will go through standard FHF screening processes, and applicants should meet the following requirements:

Ranger applicants should meet the following requirements:

- 16 or 17 years old at the time of programming (summer 2025)
- Returning FHF camper with a qualifying diagnosis
- Has not attended more than one previous year of Ranger Programming

Ranger applicants should have a desire to serve others, a sense of independence, a strong work ethic, a desire to learn a new role at camp and a willingness to deepen relationships with campers, peers and staff.

Trailblazer applicants should meet the following requirements:

- 16-21 years-old at the time of programming (August 2025)
- New or returning FHF camper with a qualifying diagnosis

Trailblazer applicants should have a desire to develop life skills that will help successfully transition them into adulthood and have an interest in joining a community of other young adults navigating this transition.

WHAT IS THE APPLICATION PROCESS?

In addition to the full camper application on Campsite (completed by parent/caregiver), first-year Rangers are asked to complete a brief Microsoft Form application and Video Essay in which they can share more about themselves with the team. A link to the form and instructions for the video will be provided after a Campsite application is started.

Click <u>here</u> to start your family's camp application. To start, create a new account or use your previously used log-in if you are a returning family. FHF considers applications throughout the camp season. Submitting all forms by our priority

paperwork deadline ensures our team has adequate time to review your application. Applications received after the priority deadline may be placed onto our wait list. Priority deadline for Summer 2025 sessions is:



Summer Camp: March 17, 2025

All required forms can be found in "Forms" page on Campsite. To be considered for camp, applicants must complete an application for each family member wishing to attend and submit all required paperwork. Our Admissions Team is available to address any questions regarding the application process through email at campers@flyinghorsefarms.org or by calling 567-200-4820.

WHAT DO WE NEED TO BRING TO CAMP?

Prior to camp, you will receive an email with a confirmation packet that will include a packing list!

WHAT IF SOMETHING IS MISSING FROM MY APPLICATION?

If you have any questions regarding missing requirements, please contact our Admissions Team at campers@flyinghorsefarms.org

HOW WILL I KNOW IF MY CAMPER HAS BEEN ACCEPTED?

Your family will be notified as soon as possible if you have been placed into a session. You can expect to hear from us in late April about summer sessions. If you have any questions about your placement, contact <u>campers@flyinghorsefarms.org</u>.

DOES CAMP PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION?

Unfortunately, camp is unable to support with transportation at this time. If transportation is a barrier for your child or family to attend camp, please contact our team. We are happy to provide outside resources that may be able to help.

CAN SIBLINGS GO TO CAMP?

Yes! Sibling campers of established campers with a qualifying diagnosis are eligible to attend Ranger and Trailblazer programming. If you have questions, please contact <u>campers@flyinghorsefarms.org</u>.