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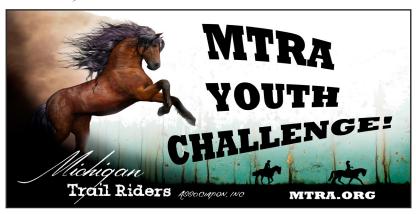

MTRA VIRTUAL YOUTH ACTIVITY CHALLENGE

The MTRA is reaching out to young horse lovers under the age of 18 in the USA to join our virtual Youth Activity Challenge. This challenge starts June 1st and ends the last day of August of each year. The cost is $20.00 to join. *(Membership is not required but encouraged.)*
When you spend time working with your horse you can earn prizes. Whether you're assisting and learning the activity or doing it yourself...We will award prizes after August according to the goals achieved. Our goal as an organization is to welcome new families who are interested in riding and camping with us.
The MTRA has seven rides throughout the year, four rides are Shore to Shore trophy rides.
We welcome interested trail riding families who want a challenge to join our group.

For more information ***log on to mtra.org.***

Prizes Awarded

When you register and submit your application and fee for this youth challenge, we will text/e-mail you a confirmation number that will help us keep track of your activity time for the challenge. There are two age groups to enter; Pre-teen and Teen. When you earn the first goal according to your age group, you will get a Youth Challenge Bumper Sticker for your horse trailer, truck or even your lap top if you want. When you earn the next Goal # 2 you will earn your Youth Challenge T-shirt. The person from each age group accumulating the most hours earned (Goal #3) will get a free one year (family) membership to the MTRA for the following year.

Goal #1
Bumber Sticker

Take the Challenge!

Goal #2
Cotton T-shirt

How it Works / Who is Eligible!

Anyone under the age of 18 who has access to a horse can sign up for this challenge. There are many activities listed below that you can do! Read the list and decide how you want to participate. Do the task and fill in your time and activity on your **Log-in Sheet** for the challenge. *You don't have to be an MTRA member to participate.*

Age Group and Goal Chart

Pre-teen is any child 12 years or younger - #1 Goal = 30 hours - Sticker / #2 Goal = 60 hours - T-shirt
Teen is any youth from 13 to 17 years of age - #1 Goal =50 hours - Sticker / #2 Goal = 100 hours - T-shirt
One person from each age group accumulating the most hours / #3 Goal = One year family membership.

~ Time reported in at least 15 minute increments   ~
~ Time can also be reported for assisting someone with maintenance and tack activities ~

Maintenance Activity
1. Wash Your Horse
2. Muck Stall
3. Groom Horse, Brush
4. Clean Tack Room
5. Cleaning Hoofs with Hoof Pick
6. Clean Horse Cart or Carriage
7. Clean Tack
8. Feeding Your Horse
9. Giving Medicine or Applying Aid to Your Horse

Tack Horse
1. Blanket and Saddle
2. Breast Collar/ Crupper
3. Bridle and Reins
4. Harness a Horse

Ground work
1. Rope leading
2. Lunging
3. Desensitizing
4. Teaching Respect
5. Ground Driving
6. Trick Training/ Explain Trick
7. Other Related Activities/ Write in on the log

Riding and Training Your Horse
1. Trail Ride
2. Jumping
3. Herding
4 Barrel Racing
5. Roping from Horse
6. Training
7. Dressage
8. Showing Your Horse
9. Barrel Racing
10. Cow Sorting
12. Obstacles
13. Driving Cart or Carriage
14. Other Related Activities/ Write in on the log

Participation/Membership in Horse-related Clubs or Competitions. (One hour value for membership plus activity time)
1. 4-H
2. County Fair
3. Any Official Horse Club/ List club name

Participation in any MTRA Trail Rides (Report hours working or riding plus membership)
1. MTRA Membership for Parents- (One hour value)
1. Non Trophy Ride
2. Trophy Ride
3. Participate in any MTRA youth activity
4. Participate in any MTRA Work Bee
5, Attend MTRA Banquet (One hour value)
6. Recruit a friend to join the Challenge. (Two hour value)

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MTRA Virtual Youth Challenge
Registration Form

Name of Challenger_____ Age of Challenger _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Parent's Phone (cell)_____and E-mail_____

Horse's Name and info _____Shirt Size_____

Please read over the Youth Challenge information sheet. To enter the challenge you must pay a $20 registration fee. MTRA Membership is encouraged ($35 - Application is online at *mtra.org*) but membership is not required to receive prizes. Parental consent is required. (If mailing application, make checks out to the MTRA or order online and e-mail the application to *mtrayouthchallenge@gmail.com* (online payments include a Pay Pal or STRIPE fees.)

Time is recorded on the Youth Challenge Log Sheet by posting a picture of the sheet by E-mail or Snail Mail. E-mail to: *mtrayouthchallenge@gmail.com/ Mail to: Kathy Kruch, 2515 Gardner St. Alger, MI 48610*. Upon registration, your name will be entered in our log and you will be e-mailed a conformation number. **(You MUST include your parents e-mail/phone # on the application)** Your time can be submitted through out the challenge or submit them by September 15th, 2024. Successful applicants will receive their earned prize by mail. We ask permission below to use photos of your activities to post on our website "Youth Activities" page to inspire other kids. *(Pictures will not be used on any other social media so we ask that you e-mail them directly for website only)*
I have read the rules for entering and except this challenge:

Youth Signature_____ Date_____

Parent or Guardian please circle the appropriate answer:
I give permission for my child to enter the MTRA Youth Program **(Yes / No).**
I give the MTRA permission to post pictures of my child on the MTRA Youth Activity Page on the
mtra.org website **(Yes / No).** *Pictures can be e-mailed along with your time log information. Pictures are not required, but encouraged for this challenge. We ask that the recorded time is as accurate as possible since it is on the honor system, parental assistance is appreciated for the younger participants.*

Parent or Guardian Consent_____Date_____

The MTRA is not responsible for participant injury, accident or death. WARNING: Under the Michigan Equine Activity Liability Act, an equine Association is not liable for an injury to or the death of a participant or horse in an equine activity resulting from an inherent risk from this equine activity challenge.

MTRA Virtual Youth Activity log (Only one (1) child per log)

Name_____ Horse(s) Name_____MTRA #_____

Date & Location	Activity	Hours / Minutes

Use 15 min. Increments. Take a picture and e-mail your results or send it in before September 15th 2024. Mail to: Kathy Kruch 2525 Gardner St. Alger, MI 48610/ or E-mail to: mtrayouthchallenge@gmail.com

SHEET TOTAL	