



Scattered Acres Sport Horses LLC  
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## **APPRENTICESHIP SUMMARY**

**Length of commitment:** 6 months to 1 year. 1 year preferred, but Scattered Acres may be willing to consider a lesser commitment if applicant has ample experience at commencement of program. Opportunity to extend and turn into fully paid employment if all is going well.

**Pets:** We love animals, but unfortunately cannot accommodate pets in the living quarters.

**Stipend:** Apprentices either receive a monthly stipend of \$450 or free board for one horse. The stipend kicks in once the working student is trusted to manage the daily details of caring for the stables on their own, or leading an assistant barn hand.

**Bringing a horse:** Apprentices are welcome to bring a horse, though bringing a horse is not necessary for the fellowship program.

**Making Money:** In addition to the monthly stipend, once Apprentices are able to teach lessons at Scattered Acres, they are paid for the lessons they give starting at \$18/45 minutes. Lessons taught are in addition to normal working hours. Some fellows take a part-time outside job or train a horse for resale during their position.

**Accommodations:** Apprentices may share quarters with one other apprentice. The room is the size of a large dorm room, with an attached office and lounge with kitchen and bathroom. Utilities and living quarters are provided free of charge as part of the program.

**What we do here:** Please investigate our website at [www.scatteredacres.net](http://www.scatteredacres.net).

**What you will learn:** Advanced riding and training techniques in the disciplines of dressage, jumping, and xc, high quality horse-care, nutrition, first-aid including IM and IV injections, trailering, competition grooming, gain skills in teaching, business management, breaking young horses, retraining race horses, advanced grid and course building, field management, stable management, etc., etc.

**A typical day:** Feeding, medical care, turn-in and out, and blanket changes in the morning. In the middle of the day an array of things, including tacking and un-tacking horses, setting courses and grids, going out schooling XC, helping to train and condition horses, assisting clients, working with the vet and farrier, cleaning tack, various barn chores, and then feeding, turning in and out, medical care, and blanket changes again the evening. Apprentices will receive a lesson every working day. Other opportunities Apprentices have to help with and learn about are: HEAL programs, office work/business management, grooming at competitions, competing, going with Autumn to ride with her coaches, teaching lessons, etc.

**Schedule:** 5 days/week. ~ 9 hrs/day not including lesson time.

**HEAL (HorsePower Equine Assisted Learning):** Our partnering non-profit foundation. Please check out the website at [www.HEAL.Foundation](http://www.HEAL.Foundation)