

Sweet Briar College Riding Program

Box 6, Sweet Briar, Virginia 24595

Agreement for Boarding Horses at Sweet Briar College **2025-2026**

The main function of the Riding Program is to serve the students of the College by providing an active teaching program with varied riding activities that offer learning experiences and good sport. The entire program is oriented toward the riding and schooling of hunter/jumper and equitation-type horses for showing, field-riding competitions, and other activities. The boarding of private horses whose riders participate in the program is a smaller part of the whole program.

ELIGIBILITY

Under the following conditions, the Riding Program of Sweet Briar College gives students the opportunity to have privately owned horses at the College:

The horse must be suitable to the rider's ability and to achieve the rider's goals within the framework of the Sweet Briar Riding Program. Most of the riding at Sweet Briar requires a horse schooled to go safely, cooperatively, and obediently in a group/class setting. Most riders should have experienced and schooled horses in order to improve their riding through instruction as well as to gain educational and enjoyable experiences in one of several areas, i.e. showing hunters, equitation, jumpers, field riding, or hacking out on our miles of trails.

Preference for space at the stable will be given to qualified upperclasswomen currently involved in the riding program who expect to have their horses at Sweet Briar for the full college year. All students who wish to board their horse must complete a boarding application annually. First-year and transfer students must also submit a short video, 10-minutes maximum, of themselves and their horse walking, trotting, cantering and jumping. It may be footage from a lesson, clinic, or competition if that is easier to obtain. All applications and videos will be reviewed in the order received and we will respond within two weeks of the date we receive the completed application and video. The Director of Riding, with input from the Stable Managers and faculty, will make the final determination as to stall space. **Upperclasswomen should apply by May 15, 2025**, to receive priority for stall space. Space is limited!

To maximize the student's experience, the Riding Program must list as generally unacceptable horses that are unsound, unsafe, mentally upset, soured, and/or rank and horses that are not part of the Riding Program's focus, e.g. upper-level dressage and gaited horses. The Riding Program will not allow stallions to be boarded at the facility. Tranquilizers are not allowed for riding purposes. Any horse that routinely requires U.S. Equestrian Federation controlled or prohibited medications to appear sound for regular work is also not acceptable. **Bits and tack considered by the Director of Riding to be unnecessarily severe or abusive may not be used. Side reins, draw reins, gag bits, elevator bits, other severe bits and the like are generally not permitted for use by students without permission of**

their instructor. A smooth snaffle and/or a short shank Pelham are generally recommended. The Stable Manager may consult with the horse's regular veterinarian on questions regarding past health records. Approved, capable riders who have proven that they will devote time to consistent schooling during a six-day week will be given permission to bring green and/or young horses to the College. The establishment of these minimum standards is in the best interest of the majority of students who use the riding spaces and participate in the program.

Board and Fees

The program offers board with additional options and services available a la carte. Board is charged per academic semester and is billed at the beginning of the term for the entire semester. Payment for board is due upon receipt of the bill. Fall semester board covers approximately August 19, 2025 through December 16, 2025. Spring semester board covers approximately January 10 through May 16, 2026. Horses who remain at the Harriet Rogers Riding Center for the holiday break, December 17, 2024 through January 9, 2026, will be billed a single charge of \$924.00 on December 18, 2023. Full board is the only boarding option available during the holiday break.

We offer two types of board. The difference in the type of board is that Full Board horses are stalled in the Howell Lykes Colton Stable aisles of the main barn. Hunter Board horses are housed in either the hunter or cottage barns. All have 12' x 12' stalls. The main barn has Nelson Automatic Waterers.

Full Board for Fall 2025 is \$4981.00 and for Spring 2026 is \$5142.00, and includes SBC feed, daily stall cleaning, checking for injury and picking of feet daily, turning the horse out daily (hand walking or lunging in bad weather), minor medical care, blanketing, and supervision. Board **does not** include veterinary fees, equine dentist, worming, shoeing, nursing care beyond five days, grooming, clipping, mane pulling, body clipping or braiding, special feeds or supplements, supplies and instruction.

Hunter Board for Fall 2025 is \$3704.00 and Spring 2026 is \$3823.00, and includes SBC feed, daily stall cleaning, checking for injury and picking of feet daily, turning the horse out daily (hand walking or lunging in bad weather), minor medical care, blanketing, and supervision. Board **does not** include veterinary fees, equine dentist, worming, shoeing, nursing care beyond five days, grooming, clipping, mane pulling, body clipping or braiding, special feeds or supplements, supplies and instruction.

RDPR 169 Basic Horse Care(BHC), a lecture course on horse care, is **STRONGLY** recommended to be taken by each student with a horse at Sweet Briar.

The number of stalls on Hunter Board is limited, if space allows, new students in their first semester are eligible to apply for hunter board. They will be required to take the BHC course or exempt the course during that first semester. If the student is unable to be exempt or doesn't pass the course they will be switched to Full Board for the following semester. The Basic Horse Care Course is taught each fall and an exemption test is offered generally at the beginning of each semester as well.

The following services are available for an additional a la carte fee.

- Special Feeds \$50 plus both the cost of the feed (if available at Farmville Co-Op), \$50 and purchased and supplied by the student if unavailable from the Farmville Co-Op.
- Turnout - Long Day – 4 Hours \$50 a month or Night Turnout - \$65 a month (a limited number of paddocks are available for of these options on a first come / first serve basis)

Instructional fees are the same for all riders whether they are boarding a horse on campus or riding an SBC horse. Please see the college catalog for those fees. **Students who board a horse but require an SBC horse for lessons due to their horse being injured or unavailable to ride for other reasons (i.e. missing shoe), will be charged a horse use fee of \$25 every time after the first day. This use of an SBC horse is not guaranteed but when we are able to mount the student there will be a \$25 fee.**

Board, medications, transportation, and the options for long day and night turnout, grooming, tack cleaning and special feed will be billed to the student each month. We reserve the right to add a surcharge for unusual expenses i.e. bagged shavings, feeding more than twice daily, etc. Bills are to be paid to the Business Office. Horses with **UNPAID Board Bills** will not be allowed to continue boarding. In cases where the horse leaves the facility before the end of the term, no portion of the semester's board will be refunded without the approval of the Director of Riding and Business Office.

The owner assumes all responsibility and risk while the horse is boarded with the College and does not hold Sweet Briar College, the instructors, or staff responsible in case of permanent disability, death, or theft of the animal. It is recommended that the owner provide her own insurance coverage since the College insurance program does not cover privately owned horses, tack, or equipment. The student must send all insurance information to the Riding Center before the horse arrives. Please complete the "hold-harmless" agreement attached.

If a student's horse is accepted into the program, a deposit in the amount of \$600 is required to confirm and hold your stall. This deposit is non-refundable, but it will be applied toward your semester's board. Deposits are due by July 1, 2025. Please send this check made out to "Sweet Briar College" to the following address with Board deposit listed in the memo area of the check: Sweet Briar College, % Rogers Riding Center, PO Box 6, Sweet Briar, VA 24595.

Student Responsibilities

The student must know and obey the rules and regulations of the Riding Program. In the interest of safety, humane treatment of the animal and the other students in the program, a student is expected to cooperate and to contribute to the Riding Program as a whole and to work her horse under the supervision of an instructor. **Any student receiving two warnings for infractions of the rules and regulations will be asked to remove her horse from the Riding Center.** Students must be enrolled in a riding activity course. She should be of at least Hacker rank and should take every opportunity to prepare for and take the Hacker's test as soon as possible. **The student must be able to pass her Hacker's level test on her own horse by the end of her first semester boarding at Sweet Briar, or her horse will be ineligible to remain at Sweet Briar without special permission from the Director of Riding.** The student, if qualified, may show, hack out, and participate in other riding activities with the College with permission of her instructor and the Director of Riding.

The Riding Program participates in competitive and other riding events off campus. Interested students sign up for each event, and the instructor makes the final decision as to who will go. On special occasions, a student may transport a horse kept at Sweet Briar College herself, provided the student's legal guardian, the owner of the vehicle and the owner of the horse (if different from the legal guardian) give specific written permission and the Director of Riding also gives special permission. We want students to have safe travel arrangements, i.e. daylight and a "back-up" plan.

Riding, training, or teaching by non-Sweet Briar instructors, professionals or buyers is ordinarily not allowed while your horse is on Sweet Briar property. Any exceptions must be cleared with the Director of Riding several weeks in advance. The Riding Program arranges guest instructors and clinicians.

The student is expected to follow a regular schedule of health maintenance for her horse, including shoeing, worming, and dental care. In the event of an emergency, stable staff will attempt to contact the student or owner. If the student or owner is unavailable, the stable staff will contact a veterinarian and care for the horse as if it was college owned to ensure the horse is properly treated. The student or owner is responsible for all related fees and should budget accordingly. The care and welfare of the horse is our top priority. If we feel the horse's care is compromised in any way you may be asked to remove the horse from the facility. **All veterinary, farrier and dentist bills should be paid directly to the professional contractor in a timely fashion. Having a credit card and/or blank check on file with our professionals may be required if bills are not paid promptly.**

If a student's horse is injured or ill and needs nursing care that requires 20 or more minutes daily for more than five days, the student is responsible for providing this care. If the student is unable to care for her horse, the stable manager will arrange for a staff member or student assistant to provide this care and the owner will be billed \$10.00 daily. Examples of this type of care include but are not limited to cold hosing, poulticing, and wrapping one or more legs daily in addition to hand walking the horse.

The student may only be at the stable during posted stable hours. Stable hours during the week are 7 AM to 7 PM Monday thru Thursday and 7 AM to 6 PM on Friday, Saturday and Sunday during classes. After stable hours, the alarm system in the stable is turned on. For their own safety, students are not allowed to ride or visit their horse after hours in the stables, paddocks or fields. Over breaks and holidays, the stable hours are 7 AM to 4 PM Monday through Sunday.

Changes in services: The student MUST leave a note in writing or send an email to the Stable Managers for any changes in turnout, grain amounts, shoeing dates, blanketing, veterinary services, medications dispensed, etc. Changes cannot be made without written permission from the student.

The student is expected to regularly exercise her horse, especially the day before each class, and to be responsible for coordinating its exercise and feed. The owner understands that no other student may ride or lunge a privately owned horse unless enrolled in the Riding Program and then only with the consent of her instructor and a signed blue permission slip for each time.

Tack rooms and Storage: All tack for each boarded horse MUST be supplied by the owner and clearly labeled. This includes saddle, bridle, nylon or leather halter with nameplate, cotton lead shank, bandages, and saddle pads, etc. The owner assumes all responsibility for repairing and accounting for her equipment. Tack rooms and tack trunks must be kept organized. Each Private horse owner will have room for one trunk per horse in the West storage room. Trunks need to have your name on them. Extra items must be kept in your trunk or in a storage container placed on top of your trunk.

Those who have a horse boarded in the hunter barn, may keep 1 **small** tack trunk in your assigned area of the tack room. The trunk cannot be larger than 37" x 23" x 23".

Each boarder will have one saddle rack and one bridle rack per horse. Tack should be cleaned daily. Your laundry must be stored in your trunk. Please remember that your laundry and having clean tack is your responsibility. As a private horse owner, you may do your own laundry at the hunter barn within the stable hours using your own detergent. You must be present while the laundry is being done.

Boots and Blankets: Boots for your horse for turnout must be kept on the horse's stall. Boots for riding must be kept in your tack trunk. Every student-owned horse is required to have a waterproof turnout blanket and a waterproof turnout sheet. Horses will not be turned out in stable blankets or stable sheets. You may have, at any given time, a MAXIMUM of THREE blankets on your stall for your horse. Any more than three is unsafe for the horse and confusing for the staff. The student is responsible for any blanket repairs that may need to be done. For the safety of the horse, horses will not be turned out in blankets that are not in good repair or overnight in blankets that are not made for this use. Blankets need to be labeled clearly. **Dress sheets, coolers, scrim sheets, etc. must be stored in trunks.**

Shipping, including arrival and departure, is the full responsibility of the owner. The College assumes no responsibility for loading, unloading, or vaning arrangements. The Riding Program will help coordinate shipping at the end of each college year. No horse may be removed from the stable until all outstanding bills including board, blacksmith, veterinary and horse- related college bills have been paid.

All boarded horses will be on a trial period for their first semester. The Riding Faculty, Stable Managers, and Director of Riding will review all boarding contracts at the end of the term. Sweet Briar College reserves the right to send home any horse deemed unsuitable during this trial period. During the Fall semester, the student will be notified on or before the commencement of Thanksgiving Break if other arrangements must be made because of unsuitability of the horse. If during the spring semester a horse is deemed unsuitable to come back to campus for the upcoming fall, the owner will be notified on or before the beginning of the spring three-week session.

Summer Boarding: If interested in summer Boarding please see the Director of Riding by April 1st to discuss options.

Stable Management Information

Feed: Horses are fed in the morning and evening with Nutrena Safe Choice All Life Stages (14% Protein, 8% Fat, 15% Fiber, 16% Starch, 4% Sugar), Nutrena Safe Choice Senior (14% Protein, 8% Fat, 16% Fiber, 12% Starch, 6% Sugar), Nutrena Safe Choice Special Care (14% Protein, 7% Fat, 21% Fiber, 7% Starch, 3% Sugar), Empower Topline Balance 30% Protein, 5% Fat, 8% Fiber, 9% Starch, 5% Sugar), Triumph Complete (12% Protein, 3.5% Fat, 25% Fiber, 16% Starch, 6% Sugar) a forage replacement, and Alfalfa Pellets.

- An extra grain feeding at midday or as a late night meal is available only in special cases and in consultation with the Stable Managers.
- If you want your horse on a special feed (any feed different from the Nutrena Safe Choice All Life Stages, Safe Choice Senior, Safe Choice Special Care, Empower Topline Balance, Triumph Complete, and Alfalfa Pellets) that will incur a \$50 Special Feed charge per month for storage in addition to the student being billed for the cost of the special feed and any delivery costs. We strongly suggest that feeds be easily available from the Farmville Co-Op
- We recommend using SmartPaks if they offer your supplements. If your horse gets more than one supplement, and they aren't offered by Smartpak, we require students to portion them out and replenish them in a timely manner.

Turnout: Weather and footing permitting, horses are normally turned out individually for one to two hours per day by stable staff. Horses on this type of turnout will be checked and have their feet picked out after they are brought in. Turnout for 1-2 hours during the day is included in the cost of board. Other turnout options are based on a first come, first served basis – so please turn in your forms early. Weather and footing permitting, a long day turnout option of four hours is available for a limited number of boarders at a charge of \$50 per month. A limited number of boarders

may request night turnout, weather and footing permitting, for an extra charge of \$65 per month. Turnout with a buddy is permitted with permission from a Stable Manager and a signed consent form from the owners.

Grooming and care: The student is expected to groom her horse, and clean her own tack. **Inoculations** must be kept up to date while at SBC. Private horse owners are required to have the vet booster their horses for Influenza and Rhinopneumonitis when Sweet Briar horses are done, usually in late August, December, and March. Flu/Rhino vaccine is required to be given every six months. **Annual vaccinations should be planned so that your veterinarian at home does them before coming to Sweet Briar.** We strongly recommend that you plan your horse's vaccination schedule so that it does not receive all of these vaccines at one time or just prior to shipping. Prior to arrival at Sweet Briar College, we require a current veterinary certificate of:

1. Strangles (*required annually after initial and booster shots*) **If your horse is receiving this vaccine for the first time, the horse will not be allowed to arrive on campus until after they have received their 3-week booster. For this reason, we remind students that horses should receive their first strangles vaccine a minimum of three weeks in advance of planned travel to SBC.*
2. Influenza vaccine and booster (*required every 6 months*) *Serial# and Expiration Date*
3. Rhinopneumonitis vaccine and booster (*required every 6 months*) *Serial# and Expiration Date*
4. Tetanus vaccine and booster (*required annually*)
5. Eastern and Western Encephalitis vaccine and booster (*required annually*)
6. Rabies vaccine and booster (*required annually*)
7. Potomac Fever vaccine and booster (*required annually; required semiannually under high alert*)
8. West Nile vaccine and booster (*required annually*)
9. Proof of a negative Coggins test **that is valid for the entire academic year**

Please send a copy of your Coggins and proof of vaccinations to the Riding Center by **July 1, 2025**. Horses without a negative Coggins on file or without up to date inoculations will not be allowed in the stable.

Worming: All private horses will be wormed during the academic year according to the following schedule: March – Quest Plus- as needed based on fecal results
June – Zimecterin Gold
September – Strongid-as needed based on fecal results
November – Equimax

A notice will be posted on the board and you will be notified by email prior to each worming with the type of worm medicine. The Stable Manager should be notified in writing of any exceptions for your horse at that time. This schedule has been recommended by our veterinarian to ensure the best health for our horses and the least interruption of your riding schedule. If you would like to alter this plan, please see the Stable Manager.

The College uses the services of several competent professionals (farrier, equine dentist, veterinarian, etc.) for the care of SBC horses and makes these services available to private horse owners as well. Please refer to the attached biographical information for professionals currently used by Sweet Briar College. The student is also welcome to choose her own care provider, providing that the student makes arrangements for the visit with the Stable Manager in advance, the appointment is scheduled during regular stable hours, and the student is at the stable to hold her horse.

Shoeing: Horses are ordinarily shod every four to six weeks. The staff will be pleased to help you in making shoeing decisions and learning about foot care. The student should meet with the Stable Manager at the beginning of the year to discuss her horse's shoeing schedule. The Stable Manager will then add her horse to the master-shoeing list. Any changes should be discussed with the Stable Manager. Students must be available to hold their horse for the

blacksmith the first time the horse is done and on subsequent visits if necessary. If the blacksmith has a question about shoeing the horse and cannot contact the student to ask, the horse will be returned to its stall and shod at a later date, when the owner is present. Special instructions or problems should be discussed with an instructor, a Stable Manager, and the blacksmith, and then entered in the horse's individual file. Blacksmith fees are expected to be paid directly to the blacksmith at the time of shoeing. **All horses must be shod one to two weeks prior to arrival at Sweet Briar, as it is difficult for us to schedule your horse for shoes in the first two weeks of classes.**

Veterinarian Care:

Sweet Briar Staff Veterinarian:

Alyson Ainsworth, DVM- Dr. Ainsworth comes to us with 13 years of equine veterinary experience. She is equipped with a motorized dental float, digital X-ray machine, ultrasound, and upper airway endoscope. She was certified in 2022 by the International Animal Chiropractic Association to perform chiropractic adjustments. She provides the veterinary care for all of Sweet Briar's horses and is available by appointment to look at student horses. All exams, procedures and prescription medications will be billed separately through her business, Afton Mountain Equine. Unless the student is responsible for payment, the parent must be notified prior to any elective work being done by Dr. Ainsworth. Vaccinations and Coggins will be performed at the owner's expense in order to keep them current while they're stabled at Sweet Briar. Dental floats are performed on the second Wednesday of every month. If you would like your horse floated by Dr Ainsworth please contact her or Beverly Tipps directly. Written estimates for elective work are available upon request. In an emergency situation, the best interest of the horse will always be prioritized. If you have any questions please contact Dr. Ainsworth at aainsworth@sbc.edu.

The owner may have any Veterinarian of their choice for treatment or consultation at any time. Owners must make a request for an appointment time with a veterinarian, other than the Sweet Briar Staff Veterinarian, through the stable manager. Appointments with the SBC Veterinarian can be made directly with Dr. Ainsworth at aainsworth@sbc.edu

Veterinary bills should be paid directly to that veterinarian's office in a timely fashion. Having a credit card and/or blank check on file with our professionals may be required if bills are not paid promptly.

Veterinary Care by stable staff and/or students:

If a student's horse is injured or ill and requires a period of nursing care of 20 minutes or more daily **for more than five days**, the student is responsible for providing this care or arranging for SBC staff to care for the horse. There will be a fee charged for veterinary care by Sweet Briar College staff. For non-emergency situations, any medication must be provided for the horse by the student. If SBC supplies are used for a day or so while the student acquires their own supplies, the student will be billed for these supplies/items. If the student providing the treatment for their horse is not able to carry out the treatment or isn't following the schedule correctly, then the stable manager will arrange for a staff member to provide this care and the owner will be billed \$10.00 a day.

Sweet Briar stable staff, only in certain situations, will administer internal medications as needed under veterinary supervision/direction, unless an owner specifically requests in writing on this form that only a veterinarian may administer internal medications. Any medications given by the owner must be disclosed each time through dated and signed documentation (Green Sheet) given to the Stable Manager. All medications also must be prescribed by a veterinarian and a copy of the prescription should be on file with the stable manager before a horse may receive them.

Veterinary Emergencies:

In cases where emergency attention to a sick, lame, or injured horse is deemed necessary, the stable staff is instructed to call the SBC Veterinarian at the owner's expense, give immediate pre-vet treatment, contact the Stable Manager and the Director of Riding as well as try to contact the student. It is recommended that the stable office be given the number where the owner might be reached. The Stable Manager reserves the right to have any horse examined by a licensed Veterinarian. An attempt to tell the owner/student will be made prior to the examination.

Dr. Ainsworth participates in an on-call share agreement with James River Equine Services and Keswick Equine Veterinary Clinic. If she is out of town, the on-call veterinarian from one of these practices will be called at the owner's expense. Billing will be performed through the practice that performs the call.

PLEASE KEEP PAGES 1 THROUGH 8 FOR YOUR REFERENCE

Agreement for Boarding Horses at Sweet Briar College

Please read, sign and return the following pages.

STUDENT NAME:

STUDENT CELL PHONE NUMBER:

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Owner Information (if different than student):

Owner Name:

Owner's Cell Phone Number:

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Boarding Request Type:

FULL

HUNTER

General Information:

Horse Show Name:

Horse Barn Name:

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Gender (Mare or Gelding)

Age

Color

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Height

Breed

How long have you owned?

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Trainer Name

Phone Number

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Please describe your horse's current level of experience:

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Please describe any schooling issues your horse may currently be working through:

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What are your plans with your horse while riding at Sweet Briar?

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Does your horse have any soundness issues?

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Does your horse get monthly prescribed injections (examples: Adequan, Depo, Glucosamine, Legends)? If so, how often and who administers these injections?

Does your horse receive treatments such as: joint injections, chiropractic, magnawave? If so, how often?

Does your horse show on any medications such as: Bute, Banamine, Robaxin?

Please include any other information about your horse you would like us to know:

Is your horse insured:	Yes	NO
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Name of Insurance Company:	Phone Number:
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Policy Number:

What type of feed does your horse eat?	How many quarts do they receive each feeding?
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We feed Nutrena Safe Choice All Life Stages, Safe Choice Senior, Safe Choice Special Care, Empower Topline Balance, Triumph Complete, Alfalfa Pellets.

Do you want your horse on our regular feed? YES NO

Which feed would you want your horse on?

If you want your horse on a special feed that will incur a \$50 Special Feed charge per month for storage in addition to the student being billed for the cost of the special feed and any delivery costs. We strongly suggest that feeds be easily available from Farmville Co-op

What special feed would you like your horse on and how many quarts per feeding?

What Type of Turnout would you prefer? (Circle One)

Regular (1-2 hours per day)

Long Day (4 hours per day) Limited Availability - \$50/month

Night Turnout (6PM – 7AM) Limited Availability - \$65/month

Does your horse wear any boots or special equipment during turnout?

Does your horse have any special turnout habits? (Runs, plays over the fence, hard to catch?)

When the weather isn't sunny, we do turn our horses out in light precipitation and some mud. Would you want your horses turned out in rain or mud? YES NO (night turnout is not an option for no rain/mud horses)

Most student owned horses get turned out alone. Sometimes buddy turnout is wanted. We can't guarantee a buddy for turnout but we would like to know if this is an option you might want or need.

Do you want your horse turned out alone or with a buddy? Alone With a buddy

What kind of shoes does your horse wear?

Will your horse stand quietly on crossties for the farrier? YES NO

What supplements (if any) does your horse receive in their feed?

(We recommend using SmartPaks if they offer your supplements. If your horse gets more than one supplement, and they aren't offered by Smartpak, we require students to portion them out and replenish them in a timely manner.)

If yes, please explain:

If yes, please explain:

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Does your horse crosstie?	YES	NO
Can your horse be next to a mare? In a Stall	YES	NO
Can your horse be next to a mare? In a Pasture	YES	NO
May your horse have a chain over his nose if necessary?	YES	NO
Does your horse crib?	YES	NO
Does your horse kick or bite?	YES	NO

Any special handling issues, i.e. need prescribed tranquilizer for clipping? Need prescribed tranquilizer or to be held for shoes? **YES** **NO**

Any special shipping problems (does not load easily, etc)	YES	NO
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I agree to the above choices I have made regarding options and services and understand that I must make any change from the above choice in writing (email) to the Stable Manager.

Student Signature _____

Parent Signature (if student is a minor)

Owner Signature (if other than student or parent)

PLEASE READ, SIGN AND RETURN THIS PAGE

Student Name: _____ **Horse Name:** _____

Vaccinations: Your horse is required to be on the same vaccination schedule as all SBC horses as outlined in your boarding agreement. Fall shots must be given prior to your horse's arrival (including boosters) and spring shots will be given by our attending veterinarian in March. Please acknowledge that you accept this requirement and give permission for the SBC attending veterinarian to give your horse any vaccinations required by signing below.

Yes Owner Signature: _____

Medications: I give permission to the Sweet Briar College staff to give medications (including injections) to my horse under the advice and direction of a veterinarian.

Yes Owner Signature: _____

No Owner Signature: _____

Lunging: I give permission to the Sweet Briar College staff to lunge my horse for exercise in bad weather or no-turnout situations.

Yes Owner Signature: _____

No Owner Signature: _____

Turnout: I give permission to Sweet Briar College staff to turn my horse out in any weather (including mud and rain). I will be responsible for any injury sustained during wet turnout conditions.

Yes Owner Signature: _____

No Owner Signature: _____

Group Turnout: I give permission for my horse to be turned out in a paddock with one other horse belonging to a Sweet Briar student. I understand the risks involved in group turnout, and I will be responsible for any injury sustained during a group turnout situation.

Yes Owner Signature: _____

No Owner Signature: _____

If you would like us to discuss your horse's needs with your current trainer, farrier, vet or another professional please provide their name, phone number, and email address plus any pertinent information in the space provided.

Name & their profession _____

Phone Number _____

Email Address _____

Information we should discuss:

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PLEASE READ, SIGN AND RETURN THIS PAGE

Student Name: _____ Horse Name: _____

I would like to have the horse described above at Sweet Briar College during the 2025-2026 school year. If permission is granted, the horse will arrive at Sweet Briar on approximately August 19, 2025 and will leave on approximately May 16, 2026.

The student/owner agrees to be responsible for assigned stall space for this period.

I understand that on receipt of the acceptance letter for my horse, I will make a non-refundable deposit of \$600 to guarantee my stall reservation. This deposit is due by July 1, 2025 and will be applied toward my board for that semester.

Student Name: _____ Birth Date: _____

Home Address: _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____

Parent(s) or Guardian Name (if student is a minor): _____

Home Address: _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____

Horse Owner (if different than student):

Owner Name: _____

Owner Home Address: _____

Owner Telephone: _____ Owner E-mail: _____

The owner assumes all responsibility and risk while the horse is boarded with the College and does not hold Sweet Briar College, the instructors, or staff responsible in case of permanent disability, death, or theft of the animal. It is recommended that the owner provide her own insurance coverage since the College insurance program does not cover privately owned horses, tack, or equipment. The student must send all insurance information to the Riding Center before the horse arrives. Please complete the "hold-harmless" agreement attached.

I have read the above statement and the preceding policies of this contract and agree to uphold them. I understand that my horse must arrive with a negative Coggins test valid for the entire school year, proof of appropriate shots, and labeled equipment. I fully understand that if I fail to comply with the above, or if my horse is considered unsuitable, I forfeit the privilege of keeping a horse at Sweet Briar. My signature indicates my agreement to be responsible for the assigned stall space for the entire academic year. I understand that if I choose to move my horse prior to the end of the academic year, I must notify the Director of Riding two weeks prior to my horse's removal and that I will be responsible for the boarding fee for the remainder of the semester.

Student signature: _____ Date: _____

Co-signed: _____ Date: _____

(Parent or Guardian) _____ Date: _____

Signed: _____

(Owner/Co-Owner, if not above)

PLEASE READ AND SIGN THIS PAGE
Shipping Release Form

Shipping done by Sweet Briar:

I give the Sweet Briar College Riding Program, its employees, representatives, or agents permission to ship my horse for planned activities and in case of an emergency. I assume all risk of, and agree to hold harmless Sweet Briar College from and against any and all loss, damage, injury, or death to person, animal, or property, by whatever cause, including any vehicle failure, act or omission, negligent or otherwise on the part of Sweet Briar College, its employees, representatives, or agents, or on the part of any other person arising from the loading, transport, and unloading of my horse during the period of this agreement.

Please sign that you agree with the above statement.

Participant: Signature: _____ Print Name: _____ Birth Date: _____ (Date Signed) _____	Parent(s) or Guardian(s): Signature: _____ Print Name: _____ Relationship To Student: _____ (Date Signed) _____
	Signature: _____ Print Name: _____ Relationship To Student: _____ (Date Signed) _____

Shipping done by the horse owner and/or student:

I understand that if I independently ship my own horse to and from the SBC Riding Center that I do so of my own free will. I will not be under the supervision of the SBC Riding Center faculty and staff if a problem should occur.

Participant: Signature: _____ Print Name: _____ Birth Date: _____ (Date Signed) _____	Parent(s) or Guardian(s): Signature: _____ Print Name: _____ Relationship To Student: _____ (Date Signed) _____
	Owner (if different from Student) Signature: _____ Print Name: _____ Date Signed: _____

PLEASE READ AND SIGN THIS PAGE

**EQUINE ACTIVITY RELEASE / WAIVER,
ASSUMPTION OF RISKS AND INDEMNIFICATION
AGREEMENT (the "Agreement")**

I, as participant or parent or guardian of participant, acknowledge that equine activities are athletic activities that pose potentially serious risk of injuries or death to participants in equine activities. I acknowledge that there are certain intrinsic dangers or conditions that are an integral part of equine activities, including but not limited to, (i) the propensity of equines to behave in ways that may result in injury, harm, or death to persons on or around them; (ii) the unpredictability of an equine's reaction to such things as sounds, sudden movement, and unfamiliar objects, persons, or other animals; (iii) certain hazards such as surface and subsurface conditions; (iv) collisions with other animals or objects; and (v) the potential of a participant acting in a negligent manner that may contribute to injury to the participant or others, such as failing to maintain control over the equine or not acting within the participant's ability (collectively, "Intrinsic Dangers of Equine Activities"). I understand that participants in equine activities may be injured or killed as a result of their own negligence, the negligence of others or through no fault of participant or anyone else.

In consideration of Sweet Briar College (the "College") allowing participant to participate in equine activities at the College, on behalf of myself and my heirs, successors, and assigns I hereby release and waive any rights to make any claim against the College, its employees, agents and representatives for any loss, damage, injury, or death to person or property sustained by participant in equine activities by any cause whatsoever, including but not limited to, (i) the Intrinsic Dangers of Equine Activities; (ii) the experience level of any participant; (iii) a known or unknown health condition of any participant; and/or (iv) the condition and age of equipment or tack. I hereby acknowledge and assume all of the foregoing risks and any other risks inherent in equine activities and accept complete responsibility for making any and all examinations or inspections relating to those risks and any other potential risks of recreational activities, and I agree and understand that Sweet Briar College shall have no responsibility whatsoever to make any such examination or inspection. I further assume all risk of participating in equine activities, and agree to indemnify and hold harmless Sweet Briar College, its employees, representatives and agents from and against, all of the foregoing claims and any and all loss, damage, injury, or death to person or property by whatever cause including any act or omission negligent or otherwise, on the part of the College, its employees, representatives or agents, or on the part of any other person, arising from or related to my participation in equine activities.

With this waiver, I accept notice of the provisions of the Virginia Equine Activity Liability Act, Va. Code §§ 3.1-796.130 through 133. This waiver shall remain valid unless and until revoked in writing by the participant or the parent or guardian of any minor signing below, with receipt acknowledged by the College.

I hereby certify that the statements and representations in this Agreement are being made by me knowingly, freely, and voluntarily, and I understand that the College is expressly relying upon the foregoing statements and representations in permitting my/my child's participation in any equine activities.

Participant: Signature: _____ Print Name: _____ Birth Date: _____ (Date Signed) _____	Parent(s) or Guardian(s): Signature: _____ Print Name: _____ Relationship To Student: _____ (Date Signed) _____
	Signature: _____ Print Name: _____ Relationship To Student: _____ (Date Signed) _____

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PARENT OR GUARDIAN RELEASE, WAIVER AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL AUTHORIZATION

I am the parent or guardian of _____, a minor. On the behalf of myself, the minor, and all other parents or guardians of minor, and the respective heirs, successors, and assigns of each, I accept, acknowledge, and agree to the release, indemnification and waiver of liability contained in this Agreement as inducement for allowing my child, or this minor, to participate in equine activities at or through Sweet Briar College ("the College") and I execute this Agreement on behalf of the participant and my own behalf.

In the event that participant is injured while participating in equine activities at the College, I hereby give my permission to any physician and any health care facility to render any appropriate medical care to the participant, including but not limited to hospitalization, tests, medication, anesthesia and surgery. A copy (including facsimile) of this Authorization shall have the same effect as the original.

Participant: Signature: _____ Print Name: _____ Birth Date: _____ Date Signed) _____	Parent(s) or Guardian(s): Signature: _____ Print Name: _____ Relationship To Student: _____ (Date Signed) _____
	Signature: _____ Print Name: _____ Relationship To Student: _____ (Date Signed) _____

ADULT EMERGENCY MEDICAL AUTHORIZATION

In the event that I am rendered unable to communicate by an emergency or accident while participating in equine activities at the College, I hereby give my permission to any physician and any health care facility to render any appropriate medical care to me including but not limited to hospitalization, tests, medication, anesthesia and surgery. A copy (including facsimile) of this Authorization shall have the same effect as the original.

Participant: Signature: _____ Print Name: _____ Birth Date: _____ (Date Signed:) _____
