

Basic Farm Rules

Farm program use requires someone being trained on farm procedures prior to initial use.

Please discuss farm visit guidelines with the youth before the farm visit.

Camper counselor ratio never exceeds 10:1 not counting farm personnel.

Animal safety is #1.

Failure to follow safety rules = entire group leaves.

We will speak with a low voice (No yelling).

Walking slowly is a must (Running not allowed around animals).

Move slowly and deliberately (don't scare the animals with sudden moves).

Animals will be treated with respect (no teasing).

Fences are for separating things not climbing.

Hay is food and not for climbing.

Feed only those animals approved by the farm manager. (Do not feed horses by hand & Do not feed any animals weird food like table scraps) The farm manager can provide you with a feeding schedule during training.

Remain outside animal pens unless given permission from Camp Tyler staff to enter (includes but is not limited to going into pastures with cows, goats, or horses; and reaching into pens with pigs or rabbits). Some animals bite and some are just dangerous by their nature.

It is the responsibility of adults to make sure all gates are returned to the proper position they were in when students arrived (some gates must remain open, others closed).

Do not intrude on others using the farm especially horsemanship classes.