



JUNE 1-5, 2026

# BOOK & BARN

## A LITERACY-BASED EQUINE SUMMER CAMP

*Where stories come alive in the saddle and the barn*





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Book & Barn is a unique literacy-focused summer camp that blends the **magic of horses** with **purposeful reading and hands-on experiences**.

Each day encourages curiosity, creativity, and a deeper love of reading, all while building responsibility, empathy, and self-confidence alongside our equine partners.

At Book & Barn, campers don't just read stories- they live them.

## Who, When, & Where:

- Who: Ages 8-10
- When: Monday through Friday, 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM
- Where: Chastain Horse Park, 4371 Powers Ferry Road NW, Atlanta, GA 30327

## Camp Goals include:

- **Strengthening reading fluency and comprehension** through interactive, barn-based literacy activities
- **Expanding vocabulary and sentence-building skills** through creative storytelling and journaling inspired by horse care and riding experiences
- **Fostering confidence and communication** as campers connect with horses, peers, and instructors in a supportive setting

## Important Details:

- Meet your instructor: Whitney Phippen, MS SpEd, Equine Learning Specialist
- Camp Fee: \$650 per session
- Sign-Up Deadline: There are only ten spots currently available!
- Payment: Due in full at the time of registration, non-refundable

**What to Bring Daily:** A snack, lunch, water bottle, and closed-toe shoes are a must!

**Ready to register:** Complete registration form and return to [therapeutic.lessons@chastainhorsepark.org](mailto:therapeutic.lessons@chastainhorsepark.org)





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## MEET WHITNEY PHIPPEN

Equine Specialist in Mental Health & Learning

Whitney was born and raised in Southern California. After receiving her teaching credential at Cal State San Marcos in 2007, she began her career as an educator. Shortly after moving to Atlanta with her husband in 2009, she discovered her passion for working with and advocating for disabled students and their families.

In 2012, Whitney received her **MA in Special Education and Behavior Analysis**. It was during that time she was introduced to the world of hippotherapy which soon led her to volunteering at Chastain Horse Park. Volunteering at CHP gave Whitney a first hand look at the countless ways in which the therapeutic nature of horses paired with the unique needs of any student, can create life changing results. In 2024, Whitney added to her list of credentials adding Equine Specialist in Mental Health and Learning,

Whitney has served in a variety of learning support roles including Lead Teacher at a Title 1 public school, Inclusion Specialist for those with developmental disabilities, Learning Specialist for students with a variety of learning disabilities, **Orton Gillingham certified classroom educator**, and **Board of Directors at International Dyslexia Association of Georgia**. Outside of CHP, Whitney likes to travel with her family, see live music, practice yoga, and read.





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## BOOK & BARN REGISTRATION SUMMER 2026

STUDENT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_\_ GENDER: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY/STATE: \_\_\_\_\_

ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT(S) AND/OR GUARDIAN(S): \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE 1: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE 2: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE 3: \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL ADDRESS(ES): \_\_\_\_\_

PARTICIPANT'S SCHOOL: \_\_\_\_\_

RISING GRADE, FALL 2026: \_\_\_\_\_

HAS THE STUDENT HAD PRIOR EXPERIENCE WITH HORSES, UNMOUNTED OR MOUNTED? YES / NO IF SO, WHEN AND WHERE? \_\_\_\_\_

### IN CASE OF EMERGENCY PLEASE CONTACT:

CONTACT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ RELATION: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ RELATION: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE INDICATE ANY ALLERGIES: \_\_\_\_\_

### PAYMENT INFORMATION:

CREDIT CARD INFO—INFORMATION BELOW MUST BE COMPLETED IN FULL BY CARDHOLDER:

MASTERCARD  VISA  AMERICAN EXPRESS

CARD NO.: \_\_\_\_\_ EXPIRATION DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

CVC CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME ON CARD: \_\_\_\_\_

BILLING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

I AUTHORIZE CHASTAIN HORSE PARK TO WITHDRAW BOOK & BARN REGISTRATION DUE FROM MY ABOVE ACCOUNT.

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

\*IF PAYING VIA CREDIT CARD, A 3% CONVENIENCE FEE WILL BE APPLIED. IF YOU PREFER TO AVOID CONVENIENCE FEES, PLEASE PAY VIA ACH BY RECEIVING THE FORM FROM OUR BILLING DEPARTMENT AT [BILLING@CHASTAINHORSEPARK.ORG](mailto:BILLING@CHASTAINHORSEPARK.ORG)