

### **EQUINE ASSISTED** PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT School Program Spring / Summer 2020







Dear Educational Professional,

We are pleased to introduce our School Ranch Program at the world famous Flying U Ranch.

Over the past 30 years, we have had the pleasure of hosting over 6000 students at the flying U as part of our educational outreach program. Our team strives to incorporate modern teaching techniques with the basic ranching program, established in 1985.

Here your students will replace their electronic devices with team building, horseback riding, canoeing, log cabins, nature walks, archery lesson and talent shows.

This is a return to life and traditional values of a century ago.The Flying U School Ranch with 110K trail system on 60,000 acres of forests ,lakes, and meadows is an unparalleled location for your school trip.

We have a few openings still remaining for our 2018 season in May and June. The following kit will provide you with all the information regarding our ranch, history and programming.

Should you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me directly,

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### Join Us for the Adventure of a Lifetime!

Over 6000 students over the past 30 years have discovered the Wild West roots of the untamed Cariboo at the Flying U Ranch, will you be next?





Live like a cowboy: learn barrel racing, roping, jumping, and rodeo tricks! With over 100 trained horses, Flying U is home to one of the biggest guest herds in Canada. Which horse will you choose?



Jump into emerald waters off our large floating dock, only steps from the Flying U front gate, or take one of our several canoes or kayaks to explore the shores of gorgeous Green Lake.



Roast marshmallows over huge bonfires, cruise the backcountry on horse-drawn hay rides, and attend a dance on your final night in our custom lodge.



Have you got what it takes to make it on the frontier? Learn the tricks of the pioneers with survival training and games.



The Flying U town has everything from theatre to jail, blacksmith shop to general store: there's so much to do, you'll never want to leave!

Ready to start your real western adventure?

Register with your teacher today!

We'll see you there partner!



What you get when you book a custom 5 day Flying U school visit:

### 1. FULL EQUINE PROGRAM:

- Riding Instruction and several hours of guided trail riding
- Tack and riding helmet provided
- Horse care and basic first aid instruction
- EAPD team building exercise
- Barrel Racing and roping clinic

### 2. EXTENSIVE WATERSPORT PROGRAM:

- Swimming dock
- Canoe and Kayaks
- Life jackets
- Optional fishing and waterski packages

### 3. WILDERNESS TRAINING PROGRAM:

- Nature hike
- · Survival games
- Shelter building challenge

### 4. EXTRACURRICULARS:

- Hayrides
- Bonfires
- Talent show
- Award presentation
- Dance in the main lodge

### 5. ACCOMMODATION:

- 28 rustic log cabins
- Outfitted with wood burning stoves
- Accommodation up to 111 people
- Separate washrooms and bath house

### 6. MEAL PLAN:

- Custom meal plan designed by executive chef
- Traditional long tables in main lodge or outdoors
- · Packed lunches for picnic

## PROGRAM OUTLINE

TIME	DAY 1	DAY 2	DAY 3	DAY 4	DAY 5
8:00 AM	Trip to Flying U Ranch	BREAKFAST	BREAKFAST	BREAKFAST	BREAKFAST
	Arrival at Ranch	<u>GROUP 1-</u> Riding instruction & horse-play <u>GROUP 2-</u> Horse care instruction& Equine workshop	<u>GROUP 1-</u> Nature hike, wilderness survival study & ranch history <u>GROUP 2-</u> Trail ride	<u>GROUP 1-</u> Trail ride to Gymkhama <u>GROUP2-</u> Bus ride to Gymkhama Gymkhama barrel races	Horse Farewells Cabin Cleaning Awards Presentation
12 noon	WELCOME SNACK	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	PACKED LUNCH
Afternoon	Cabin Assignments/ Orientation Welcome Games Horse Assignments	<u>GROUP 1-</u> Horse care instruction& Equine workshop <u>GROUP 2-</u> Riding instruction& horse-play Recreational Time (swimming, canoe, etc.)	<u>GROUP 1-</u> Trail ride <u>GROUP 2-</u> Nature hike, wilderness survival study & ranch history Recreational Time (swimming, canoe, etc.)	<u>GROUP 1-</u> Bus ride from Gymkhama <u>GROUP2-</u> Trail ride from Gymkhama Recreational Time (swimming, canoe, etc.)	Trip Home
6:00 PM	DINNER	DINNER	DINNER	DINNER	
Evening	Movie	Hayride & Bonfire	Student talent show, Pool Tournament	Dance	
	MUG-UP	MUG-UP	MUG-UP	MUG-UP	



## HISTORY OF THE FLYING U

The Flying U ranch, located in the Cariboo region of British Columbia, was established in 1849 by an initial Crown grant made by the Queen of England. It has been in operation ever since (167 years). We believe this makes the Flying U Canada's oldest continually running ranch. The property was first used as a stopover for trappers and fur traders along the Alaska trail going to and from the Yukon Territory and Alaska. A major trail used by the Cariboo Fur Brigade is the same trail our guests use to ride out of the corral today.



Around the time of the original Crown grant, several of the original log buildings buildings that remain on the property were constructed and used as roadhouse facilities. Later, vegetable and crop production commenced and continued until the turn of the century. In the late 1800's the ranch slowly evolved into a working cattle ranch.



In the early 1900's a legendary and colourful character, Jack Boyd, took over operations at the Ranch. He was to change the course of the ranch forever. Jack Boyd was a member of the family that founded the Flying U Ranch, and he developed a reputation as a maverick that spread from Western Canada to points all over the world. Jack was a champion Rodeo Cowboy, who loved to entertain people and tell tall stories of his card playing, dangerous exploits and other adventures. His good friend was Tom Mix the cowboy Hollywood star. With the financial backing and ideas of Tom Mix combined with Jack's larger then life personality the Flying U guest ranch was born. It became the first guest ranch in Canada.

Development of the guest business took place gradually from 1917 to 1930, and visitors included international guests. Most people came to learn the rancher's way in the open and wild country of the Cariboo, with its moderate summer weather and mild winters. Some came just for a chance to see Jack Boyd and his sidekicks, who to them represented a living example of the Wild West. The ranch and its traditions are a mainstay of the ranch and little has changed in over a century. Our guests today sleep in the same cabins, now 100 years old , answer to the same meal bell, relax in the saloon and ride on the same trails as Jack Boyd's guests. On a quiet summers afternoon as you ride through the trail you might still imagine the spirit of Jack Boyd riding beside you.



















