

**GHF Farm Camp 2010
Camper Information Form**

Please return within three weeks. Thanks!

Camper Name: _____ **DateOfBirth:** _____ **Age:** _____

Camp Name and Date: _____

Home Address: _____

Home Phone: : _____

Parent/Guardian Information

1. Parent/Guardian Name: _____ relationship: _____

Home Address: _____ Work Address: _____

Phone (home) _____ (work) _____ (cell) _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____ relationship: _____

Home Address: _____ Work Address: _____

Phone (home) _____ (work) _____ (cell) _____

Emergency Contact Information

2. Emergency Contact Name: _____ relationship: _____

Phone (home) _____ (work) _____ (cell) _____

Medical Information

Doctor name: _____ phone: _____

Dentist name: _____ phone: _____

Health Insurance Carrier: _____

Date of last Tetanus shot: _____

Are your immunizations up to date? _____ If not, will they be by the start of camp? _____

Current Medications/Allergies/Dietary Restrictions: _____

Are there any current or past physical, mental or psychological conditions requiring treatment or medication, hospitalization or other special restrictions or considerations that we need to be aware of? _____

Are there any health considerations we should be aware of that may exempt your child from any activities? Are there any specific activities you think your child should be exempt from?

Medical Treatment Authorization: I give permission to Gorman Heritage Farm to provide routine health care or first aid to my child. In the event of emergency, I hereby give permission to Gorman Heritage Farm to transport my child to the nearest hospital for medical treatment.

Parent or legal guardian

date

(over)

Daily Sign-in/Sign-out

Each day, campers will need to be signed in and out of camp by a designated adult. Because it may be too difficult to foresee all the names of possible family members, childcare providers, or carpooling parents who *are* authorized to pick up your child from camp, please list the name(s) of specific individual(s) who should *NOT* be permitted to pick your child up from camp:

Group Assignments

Name of friend or sibling (of same age group) that camper would prefer to be grouped with*:

**We make every effort to group campers with friends or siblings when requested. However, please note that occasionally such requests cannot be granted.*

Working with Animals

Programs at Gorman Heritage Farm are led by experienced and nationally recruited staff. Gorman Heritage Farm provides extensive staff training including first aid, CPR, holistic group management, child safety, and child abuse awareness and prevention. However, due to the active nature of our programs and by working closely with animals, unavoidable accidents have the potential to occur. Safe and appropriate behavior will be taught and emphasized during camp. Please also reinforce the following farm etiquette at home with your camper:

- Keep hands to yourself until invited by GHF staff or volunteer to greet an animal.
- Never enter an animal pen unless accompanied by GHF staff or appropriate volunteer.
- Never feed animals unless a GHF staff member says it is OK.
- Respect animals by keeping voices low and acting calmly.

A parent or guardian of each child participating in Gorman Heritage Farm Day Camp must agree to and sign the following statement. The undersigned is aware that there are inherent risks involved when working with animals and participating in hands-on activities. In order to help promote the safest, most enjoyable experience for my child, I agree to discuss, enforce, and model the farm etiquette rules listed above with my camper.

Legal parent or guardian

date

Media Release

I hereby grant permission to Gorman Heritage Farm staff to photograph or video my child engaged in Gorman Heritage Farm programming. It is my understanding that the resulting photographs or video may be used in Gorman Heritage Farm publicity materials. My child will not be identified by name. I understand that I will not receive any form of compensation for such use of photographic or video images.

Legal parent or guardian

date

Please complete this form and return it *at least three weeks before* your child's camp session to:

Camp Director
Gorman Heritage Farm
10052 Reading Road
Cincinnati, OH 45241



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(513) 563-6663

Dear Camp Parent,

We are so excited to have your child joining us for Farm Camp at Gorman Heritage Farm. The summer promises to be full of opportunities for your “farm kid” to explore, learn, create, and care for the farm’s animals and plants while developing an appreciation for the natural world. We provide age and ability-appropriate activities to ensure challenges and successes for each camper.

A few things to keep in mind:

- The enclosed **Camper Information Form** must be completed and returned to GHF within *three weeks*. Your child cannot be admitted to camp without this completed form. Please take the time to fill it out now, and send it back promptly. All information will be kept confidential but will be available to camp staff to help them provide the best care possible for your child.
- **Days and Hours of Operation** for GHF Farm Camp are Monday through Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Please drop your camper off no earlier than 10 minutes prior to the start of camp and pick them up no later than 10 minutes after the end of camp. If you are going to be delayed at drop-off or pick-up time, or if your child is going to be absent, please notify the camp director at (513)563-6663.
- Your child’s safety is of utmost importance to us. Accordingly, please adhere to the following **drop-off and pick-up procedures**. Please park your car and accompany your camper to the lobby of the Interpretive Center each morning for check-in. You will be asked to sign your child in and list the name of the person who will be picking your child up in the afternoon. If there is anyone who should not be allowed to pick up your child, please indicate their name on the Camper Information Form. To pick up your child, please park your car, come to the building, and sign your camper out from their group.
- Families are invited to celebrate their child’s camp experience by attending an end of the week **“Farm Tour.”** On **Friday afternoon at 2:00 p.m.**, please sign your child out as usual, and then allow him or her to guide you around the farm and barnyard. Campers love to introduce parents to their favorite animals and places around the farm. Please allow 1 hour to 1 ½ hours for the tour.
- **Directions to Gorman Heritage Farm:**
Gorman Heritage Farm is located 12 miles north of Cincinnati in the Village of Evendale. We are directly off of Reading Road, about a 1/4 mile north of Cooper Road and 1/2 mile south of Glendale-Milford Road. We are easily accessed from I-75 or I-71.

From I-75: From I-75 North or South, take exit 14, Evendale exit. At the exit, go east (right) toward Evendale on Glendale-Milford Road. Continue on Glendale-Milford Road for about one mile. Turn right at Reading Road and go south for about ½ mile. At the third stop light

(across from the Formica Corporation) turn left at the entrance to Gorman Heritage Farm. Follow the short driveway to the parking lot and James A. Gorman Interpretive Center.

From I-71: From I-71 North or South, take the Pfeiffer Road exit, exit 15. At the exit, go west toward Blue Ash. Continue on Pfeiffer Road through Blue Ash and into Evendale for a total of about 3 miles. Pfeiffer Road becomes Glendale-Milford Road in Evendale. Turn left at Reading Road and head south for about ½ mile. At the third stop light (across from the Formica Corporation) turn left at the entrance to Gorman Heritage Farm. Follow the short driveway to the parking lot and James A. Gorman Interpretive Center.

- **What to bring to camp each day** (please clearly label each item with your camper's name):
 - packed lunch - should not require refrigeration or heating. We encourage ecologically responsible practices and will recognize each camper packing a no-waste lunch. Reusable/recyclable food containers are preferred.
 - refillable water bottle
 - shade hat and sun block
 - small towel
 - comfortable close-toed footwear (boots preferred) that can get dirty; **no** sandals, crocs, flip-flops, or shoes without backs
 - comfortable clothing that can get dirty
 - backpack on Thursday for our hike

- **What to leave at home:**
 - valuables, excessive jewelry, toys, cards, games, cameras
 - all electronics (cell phones, iPods, game boys, pagers, etc.)

- **Further info as required by the state of Ohio**
 - We are registered as a day camp by the state of Ohio.
 - The rules governing camp are available for review upon request.
 - The maximum number of campers per camp staff member is eleven.
 - The administrator and each person of our camp are required by law to report any suspicions or knowledge of child abuse or child neglect.
 - At least fifty per cent of structured and unstructured active activities will be outdoors (except in inclement weather) and be balanced between active and quiet activities.
 - Any custodial parent, custodian or guardian of a camper enrolled in a camp shall be permitted unlimited access to the camp during its hours of operation for the purposes of contacting their children or evaluating the premises. Upon entering the premises, the custodial parent, custodian, or guardian shall notify the administrator of his presence.

We are looking forward to making the most of your child's camp experience this summer. Please do not hesitate to contact us at (513)563-6663 with any questions. Thank you again for selecting the Farm Camp program at Gorman Heritage Farm. It's going to be a great summer!

Sincerely,



Mike Roman
Camp Director