



# CLYDEHURST CHRISTIAN RANCH

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Dear CCR Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in Clydehurst Christian Ranch. Before completing the application, we would like to introduce you to our ministry.

Clydehurst Christian Ranch began in 1945. However, the original ranch began as Blakely's homestead sometime in the late 1800's. Eventually, a man named Clyde Bowen bought the homestead around 1930. Shortly thereafter, Mr. Bowen was killed in a car accident and so Mrs. Bowen renamed the ranch, Clydehurst-on-the-Boulder. The word "hurst" means "woods" and so Clydehurst means, "Clyde's Woods." In 1945, Clydehurst was sold to the Church of the Air of Billings, Montana. The ranch then became Clydehurst Christian Ranch and has been a ministry serving youth and families ever since!

Our summer program consists of ten weeks, which is broken into two parts: youth and family camps. After a week of training, there are four weeks of youth camps (3rd/4th, 5th/6th, Junior, and Senior High). The last five weeks consist of family camps. All positions are paid, including meals (while on the grounds) and lodging. There is approximately one day off each week (about noon on Saturday to noon on Sunday) for the staff to enjoy an outing and then attend a chapel service on Sunday morning. The camp also carries accident insurance for staff and guests.

The staff is divided into three groups: high school, college age (counselors), and operational staff. High school staff boys focus on grounds upkeep and the girls focus on laundry and kitchen service. Counselors (at least one year of college or work experience required) focus on the youth and family programs. The operational staff consists of leadership positions, wranglers, and cooks. Regardless of position, each individual is an integral part of the ministry!

The staff will spend the first week training and preparing for youth camps. This includes sessions on camp operations, preparing Bible studies, leading youth to Christ, getting acquainted with staff, and other activities. The last five weeks of family camps, counselors will experience a change in their duties, while the rest of the staff will not experience a change. New counselor responsibilities include leading hikes, baby sitting, leading chapels and programs, cleaning cabins (once a week), and other tasks.

We strongly emphasize that we are looking for people with Godly character above all else. It is also important that you have a desire to serve youth and adults and to minister to their needs. You will need to be emotionally, physically, and spiritually strong to serve Christ in this ministry. If you love kids, are looking for an opportunity to serve Christ,

and want to grow closer to God, this is the place to be! The time demands are often great, however the rewards are extreme. Each summer is filled with many great experiences for both new and returning staff. You will walk away from camp changed with many wonderful and new friendships.

If you have any questions please contact us at (406) 294-0394, fax (406) 294-0395, or email us at [contact@clydehurst.com](mailto:contact@clydehurst.com). You can also visit our website at [www.clydehurst.com](http://www.clydehurst.com).

Please be prayerfully considering your possible service at Clydehurst this summer (June 5- August 13). We will start the hiring process in January and hope to have the staff hired by April 1st. You may still apply after April 1st since not every position may be filled at that time. Thank you and we look forward to receiving you application!

God bless,

Scott Brownson