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Pony Club Mission Statement

The United States Pony Clubs, Inc. is an educational organization which builds the foundations of teamwork and sportsmanship through riding, mounted sports, and care of horses and ponies, while developing and enhancing leadership, confidence, responsibility, and a sense of community in its youth and adult members.

Pony Club Core Values

Horsemanship with respect to healthcare; nutrition; stable management; and handling and riding a mount safely, correctly, and with confidence.

Organized teamwork, including cooperation, communication, responsibility, leadership, mentoring, teaching, and fostering a supportive, yet competitive, environment.

Respect for the horse and self through horsemanship, for land through land conservation, and for others through service and teamwork.

Service by providing an opportunity for members, parents, and others to support the Pony Club program locally, regionally, and nationally through volunteerism.

Education at an individual pace to achieve personal goals and expand knowledge through teaching others.

The Pony Club Pledge

"As a member of the United States Pony Clubs, I stand for the best in sportsmanship, as well as in horsemanship.

I shall compete for the enjoyment of the game well played and take winning or losing in stride, remembering that without good manners and good temper, sport loses its cause for being.

I shall endeavor to maintain the best tradition of the ancient and noble skill of horsemanship, always treating my horse with consideration due a partner."



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The United States Pony Clubs, Inc. is a non-profit equestrian educational organization which serves all ages of membership and allows Pony Club education to continue for a lifetime. The foundation of Pony Club education, both in and out of the barn, is safety, horsemanship, sportsmanship, leadership, stewardship and fun. Members learn riding, mounted sports, and the care of horses. The skills and values instilled through Pony Club teamwork and horsemanship apply to every aspect of life.

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2024 REGIONAL CHALLENGE RESULTS



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Regional Challenge Top Five

In a very close competition, the following regions raised the most funds during the Regional Challenge:

1. Great Lakes Region
2. Old Dominion Region
3. Northwest Region
4. Midsouth Region
5. Virginia Region

This online fundraising campaign ran from September 17 through December 6, 2024, challenging all Pony Club regions to participate in raising funds and awareness for the Annual Fund. Regions competed to earn money and prizes for their region, while supporting the USPC Annual Fund. Each Pony Club region received 10% back of the total amount raised by their region during the Challenge.

Ride iQ

As winners of the 2024 Regional Challenge, the Great Lakes Region was awarded an exclusive Zoom party with top equestrian coaches provided by Ride iQ.

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