

ONYX

Age 30 • Percheron/Morgan

Onyx is one of Carlisle Academy's long-time therapy horses, arriving at age 13 in 2005 when the program was still young. Her steady presence through those years helped the staff and students build a strong foundation that has stood the test of time. Soulful and sweet describe this quiet queen of the herd, with those ever watchful, soft eyes that find her students each week as they arrive at the farm. Despite her advanced years, she is young in spirit and is happiest with a job, useful in any aspect of Carlisle's programs from hippotherapy to para-equestrian to adaptive sports. Onyx has done it all, seen it all, and still loves it all. Carlisle's proverbial "heart horse" is indeed Onyx, the inspiration behind the *Horse Stewardship Fund*.

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