CAMP CALDECOTTE! FAQ's



For Pioneers and Trailblazers (Ages 10-15)

Q- Can my young person attend with friends?

A- Yes of course! If they sign up for the same dates and the same age groups, they will be able to enjoy the experience together! Don't worry if they are coming solo, lots of our summer campers do, and this is an excellent chance to meet new friends!

Q- What adjustments can be made for my young person's additional needs?

A- We are happy to make appropriate adjustments to accommodate for additional needs however we will need to be informed of what they are in advance for this to be possible. You can do this by sending us an email or giving us a call. Our staff have extensive training with SEN needs and our site is fully accessible.

Unfortunately, we are not able to offer 1:1 support or personal care.

Q- Are there power sockets available?

A- There will be very limited power sockets available on site. Therefore, we encourage everyone to bring a power bank/ portable charger with them. If you have a solar powered one, that would be even better.

Q- Is there WIFI?

A- There will be no WIFI available on site, however there is access to 4G and good phone signal.

Q- What food is supplied?

A- A varied menu will be provided for the camps, including three meals a day and access to hot drinks and water/ squash throughout. These will be prepared by our experienced in-house chef.

A hot breakfast will be provided consisting of items such as fruit, yogurt, cereal, toast, croissants and bacon and sausage sandwiches. Lunch there will be items such as sandwiches, sausage rolls, pasta pots, crisps, biscuit bars and fruit.

Dinners will vary and there will be at least 2 options each evening that young people can pick from, and of course, fruit and desserts.

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Q- Can dietary requirements be catered for?

A- Dietary requirements can be catered for as long as we are made aware of what they are in advance. To do this, you can either send us an email or give us a call.

Q- Will my young person be forced to do any activities?

A- We will never force anyone to take part in any activity however we will encourage everyone to challenge themselves and have a go. We want everyone to get the best out of the week!

Q-How much will the residential cost?

A- The cost of the 5-day, 4 night residentials at camp Caldecotte will be £550/per person

Q- What will the accommodation be?

A- They will be staying in festival style bell tents in our glamping village! Think fairy lights and bunting! These big tents are only a short walk to our toilets and showers which are individual enclosed cubicles. You will need to provide your own bedding and something to sleep on e.g. Sleeping bag, pillow and an air bed.

Q- Can my young person choose who they share a tent with?

A- The tents will be of between 4-6 people. Young people will be able to choose to stay with friends and make new friends! We are very accommodating so let us know before if you need a specific sleeping arrangement and we will do our best to accommodate this.

Q-What are the shower/ toilet facilities?

A- Each cubicle is its own private room, allowing privacy when showering, changing and using the facilities. These facilities are not gender specific as they are individual enclosed units.

Q - What activities will they be doing?

A- The young people will be taking part in a mix of exciting activities. There will be outdoor adventure activities such as climbing, kayaking, paddleboarding, bushcraft, archery and abseiling. We will be going on a fun day trip to Whipsnade Zoo! There will also be creative, sport and skill sessions such as a scavenger hunt, the egg drop challenge, a smoothie making session and many more exciting activities. Throughout free time there will be elective options such as arts and crafts and team sports. In the evenings we will enjoy activities such as a campfire, bouncy castles, zorbing and a final night celebration evening.

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Q- What should they wear to sleep in?

A- As they are camping it gets chilly at night, so it is very important to wrap up warm. We recommend long trousers, hoodies and lots of layers. We recommend a sleeping bag to keep you cosy.

Q- What clothing will they need to bring?

A- We recommend warm clothes for the evenings and clothes that they can take part in outdoor activities in! Once you have signed up, we will provide a full kit list with recommendations of what to bring.

Q- Will I be able to contact my young person while they are away?

A- Young people can be contacted through the Camp Leader, with an out of hours number provided for 24 hours emergency contact. Young people will be allowed to use their phones during free time, so you can reach them directly then. Any valuables are brought at your own risk.

Q- What time is drop off on the Monday and pick up on the Friday?

A- Drop off on Monday will be 9am. Pick up on Friday will be 4pm. If you require alternative hours, then please let us know.

Q- How will my young person get to the residential camp?

A- Transport to the camp is not provided. You will need to arrange the young person getting to The Caldecotte Xperience, Milton Keynes.

Q- What will the staffing structure look like?

A- There will be Camp Leader overall responsible for each age group from our core Action4Youth staff. All leaders will stay in nearby tents and on site for the duration of the camp.

All of our staff are experienced in working with young people and have first aid and safeguarding training. All staff have an enhanced DBS with bared list check. There will also be qualified instructors providing the outdoor activities and there will be a site duty manager on shift 24/7.

Q- How will the day trip to Whipsnade Zoo work?

A- Young people will get a coach with seatbelts with the camp leaders to and from the Zoo. They will explore the zoo in groups and regularly meet team leaders at the check in points.

Any further questions please contact: Campcaldecotte@action4youth.org or call us on 0300 003 2334