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CAMP EBERHART OUTDOOR EDUCATION

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Dear Students,

Pretty soon your teachers will be bringing you out to YMCA Camp Eberhart for an Outdoor Education experience. We're really looking forward to seeing you here. We'd like to take this opportunity to answer a few questions that you may have. Your teachers will be able to answer other questions for you too.



Is it like Summer Camp?

Not really. It's called "Outdoor Education" which means it's like school in the outdoors. We have classes planned for you, so you'll be spending a lot of time outside -- exploring the woods, hiking trails and using all five of your senses learning about the natural world.



Who will teach us?

Camp Eberhart has a great number of very capable instructors who are ready to show you a fantastic time. Camp's instructors are well versed in many topics you can choose from.



Where do we stay at night?

You will stay in lodges with your classmates, teachers and/or parent chaperones. Your bathrooms will be either inside your lodge or very near it.



What do we eat?

Your teachers have chosen the menu for you. Each meal is served buffet-style, and each student is responsible for helping to clean the dining hall after one of the meals.



Will we have some free time?

You'll be really busy with all the activities we have planned for you, but we'll find some time for soccer, baseball, basketball, volleyball or just hanging out.



Can someone on medication, with special needs or dietary restrictions come to Camp?

Sure! None of those things can stop you from having a great experience at Camp. Your teachers will make any special arrangements with us before you get here.



Will I be with my friends?

Most of the activities are done in groups of 10-18 students which are split up by your teachers. At night, though, we do a lot of activities as a whole group.



What kinds of activities will we do?

Your teachers have chosen activities that fit in well with the other stuff you're already working on in the classroom. You may be canoeing, or using a compass to avoid getting lost in the woods, or playing a game of 'predator and prey' tag out in the forest.



What should I bring?

Your teachers can give you an idea of what you'll need and what you should leave at home. Our activities will go ahead in almost ANY weather, so be prepared, but remember that you'll be responsible for carrying your stuff, so don't bring more than you can handle on your own! It's a good idea not to bring your best clothes -- you'll be spending a lot of time in the woods!



Will it be fun?

Your few days of Outdoor Education will be some of the best fun you'll ever have in your life! You'll probably remember it for years!