



AN OVERNIGHT CAMPING PROGRAM AT YOUR RECREATION CENTER FOR AGES 8 ½ -13.

WOW INFORMATION SHEET

What is WOW? WOW is a unique program that teaches young people about camping, outdoor recreation, and environmental education through an exciting and interactive overnight camping experience. WOW activities include sleeping in a tent, fishing instruction, map reading, nature awareness, outdoor living skills, and much more. The program, meals, lodging, equipment, security, and supervision are included in one low registration fee of \$5.00. One price covers the program plus the opportunity to meet new friends.

Camper Ages: Forty-two boys and girls ages 8 – 13 are invited to participate in the WOW program. Campers sleep in tents with other young people of the same sex. Counselors sleep in the tents with their campers.

Program: Check-in is at 5:00 p.m. Friday evening and check-out is at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday. Youth must stay for entire duration of the program. No late arrivals or early departures. Parents are encouraged to attend the Welcome/Introduction Ceremony on Friday Evening and the Closing Ceremony on Saturday from 1:30 – 2:00 p.m. the Schedule of activities includes:

Friday Activities

Check-In (parents needed) 5:00 p.m.
Welcome/Introduction (parents invited)
Campsite Set-up/Dinner
Evening Activities/Campfire

Saturday Activities

Breakfast
Outdoor Education Programs & Skills Training
Clean Up & Lunch
Afternoon Activities
Community Service Activity – Tree Planting
Closing Ceremony (parents invited to attend) 1:30 p.m.
Check-Out (parents needed) 2:00 p.m.

WOW Sponsors:

Local Los Angeles Sponsors

Griffith Park Observatory
L.A. City Department of Recreation & Parks
L.A. City Dept. of Rec. & Parks Rangers
Overnight Security: General Services Dept.

National Sponsors

The Coleman Company
USDA Forest Service
USDI Bureau of Land Management
The Walt Disney Company

How to Sign Up: Registration begins on a first come first serve basis. The following materials must be turned in by the deadline date to sign up or up until the session reaches maximum capacity. Campers will not be able to participate in the program if any of the components are missing.

- **Registration Application**
Both sides of the form must be completed.
- **Health History Form**
Each camper **must** complete a health form. The card must be signed by a parent/guardian. All medications must be listed with the proper name of the medication and complete instructions for its use. All medications must be in the original containers. Only the camper named on the original prescription will be given that medication.
- **Authorized Signature Form**
We **do not** release campers to friends, neighbors or relatives and do not allow campers to leave alone without written confirmation from the parent/guardian. A parent/guardian may list the names of others who may sign-in or sign-out the camper in case of an emergency. We require an additional written note, signed by the parent/guardian to release a camper to anyone under 18 yrs old.
- **\$5 Payment** *(May be made in form of cash or check)*
L.A. City Policy for Accepting Checks
 - Make checks payable to: City of Los Angeles, Dept. of Rec. & Parks.
 - Checks must show a current imprinted address. P.O. Box or rubber stamps are not accepted.
 - A valid driver's license or CA I.D. is required. Please write the number on the check.

Cancellation Policy: The registration fee will be refunded with one week notice prior to the event.

Contacting Campers: While we realize that your child is important to you, when you choose to give your child a camping experience and entrust us with your child's care, we request that you observe the following rules to enhance that experience: Please do not call the Recreation Center to speak with a camper. If there is an emergency, please contact the Director. Parents, relatives and friends are not to visit campers at camp for the following reasons:

1. It disrupts the camp routine.
2. It takes away from the leadership position of the counselor.
3. It adds to potential homesickness of other campers
4. It reduces our ability to properly supervise all campers.

We do not allow the campers to use the telephone at camp. If there is a problem, the Director or a designated staff member will call on behalf of the camper.

Check-Out Time: Closing ceremonies begin at 1:00p.m. on Saturday. Parents are encouraged to attend. If parents do not wish to attend the closing ceremonies, they must pick up the camper by 2:00p.m. Due to the nature of the program, please do not plan on picking up your camper before 2:00p.m.