



Camp  
STARR  
Info Packet

June 14-17

2011

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Please Remember... your student will NOT have access to their cell phones. Emergency contact information will be provided at Camp STARR Orientation.



## Camp STARR Short Itinerary

### **Tuesday, June 14, 2011**

- 12:00 pm Departure Diversity Center  
(3645 Warrensville Center Road, Shaker Heights OH 44122)
- 5:00 pm Arrival at JOEC
- 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm Dinner, Welcome, Overview and Get to Know you activities

### **Wednesday, June 15, 2011**

- 8:30 am Breakfast\*\* All meals will be in the south lounge
- 9:00 am – 5:00 pm Freedom Center
- 6:00 pm Dinner
- 7:00 pm Movie
- 9:00 pm Campfire/Smores

### **Thursday, June 16, 2011**

- 8:30 am Breakfast
- 9:00 am – 1200 pm JOEC Teambuilding and Leadership Development
- 12:00 pm Lunch
- 1:00 pm Diversity Center Programming
- 3:00pm – 5:00pm Free Time (Games, Swimming)
- 5:00pm – 6:00pm Dinner
- 6:00pm – 9:00pm Underground Rail Road Living History Simulation

### **Friday, June 17, 2011**

- 8:30 am Breakfast
- 9:00 am -10:00 am Evaluations & Closing
- 10:30 am Students Board Bus & Depart to Kings Island
- 6:30 pm Depart Kings Island
- 10:30 pm Arrive @ The Diversity Center

# Camp STARR - Packing List

**TAKE NOTE!!!**

**YOU WILL BE OUTSIDE  
SO PLEASE DRESS APPROPRIATELY**

The events are both indoors and outdoors rain or shine.

**DRESS IS CASUAL:** jeans, T-shirts, shorts, etc... The emphasis is on comfort as opposed to style. (Ladies leave the high heels at home!) Our outdoor-physical challenge events can be fairly rigorous & we suggest clothes that can stand up to dirt & sweat! **Make sure to bring one appropriate outfit for the trip to the Underground Railroad Museum.** Also check the weather report before you pack. We're outside rain or shine, pack for all possible conditions.

**The cabin beds have mattresses, but NO pillows, linens, or towels.** Students should bring their own pillows, sheets, towels and blankets or sleeping bags. Each cabin does have air conditioning, an electrical outlet, light, & bathroom.

**\*\*\*A suggested packing list includes:**

Jeans/ Shorts

Light Jacket/ Sweatshirt (we'll be having some evening outside activities)

Sturdy Sneakers

Rain gear (ponchos/rain jacket with hood); We're outside rain or shine!

**Sheets, towels, pillow, blankets or sleeping bags (There are no extra of these)**

Personal gear: toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, shampoo, deodorant etc..

**Appropriate outfit for the trip to the Underground Railroad Museum**

Flashlight with fresh batteries

Notebook, pencil, pens

Alarm clock

Sunglasses

Camera

Swimwear (for Kings Island)

Sunscreen

Insect repellent

**LABEL EVERYTHING WITH YOUR NAME.**

**NOTE: CELL PHONES, PAGERS, MP3 PLAYERS/ or IPODS, GAMEBOYS OR PORTABLE DVD PLAYERS WILL ONLY BE ALLOWED ON THE BUS!! IF SEEN IN USE DURING THE TRIP, THEY WILL BE TAKEN AWAY FOR THE DURATION OF THE RETREAT AND RETURNED UPON BOARDING THE BUS TO RETURN HOME. IF YOU NEED TO USE A PHONE, A MEMBER OF THE STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU.**



Dear Participant and or Parent,

Greetings from Joy Outdoor Education Center, LLC! We are pleased that you will soon participate in our Youth & Community Leadership Program.

**JOY OUTDOOR EDUCATION CENTER, LLC:** Joy is a private, non-profit organization. Our Mission is, “Helping people grow and succeed through life long experience based learning.” Joy is the recognized leader in providing experiential learning to children, families and organizations throughout Ohio, Kentucky, and Indiana. We are a year-round facility providing high quality programs in the following areas:

- Camp Joy - A traditional summer camp for inner city, at-risk youth of Cincinnati.
- Outdoor School Program - Outdoor Education.
- Venture Out! - Helping organizations reach their full potential.
- Youth & Community Leadership Program – Helping young adults in leadership.

The **Youth & Community Leadership Program** helps students grow and succeed in areas of personal and group development. It uses experiential teaching techniques and a philosophy of “challenge by choice” and Adventure Education to encourage students to challenge themselves and their group.

**FACILITIES:** Joy Outdoor Education Center, LLC is located on 315 acres of forests and fields, with the Todd's Fork scenic river running along the east and south boundaries. Facilities include: nine modern cabins with showers and bathrooms, each sleeping a maximum of 24 students and 2 chaperones; a kitchen serving balanced, family and buffet style meals in our main dining hall; and indoor classroom space. Joy's facilities also include a farm; an 1805 log cabin; a nature center; ten adventure ropes courses; and three group initiative courses.

**SUPERVISION:** The JOY teaching staff is responsible for facilitating the programming for each group. Our expectations for behavior and discipline are clearly defined by JOY staff at the beginning of each program. Joy Outdoor Education Center, LLC reserves the right to send any group or individual home because of severe behavior. The teachers and chaperones share supervisory responsibilities during the day and are responsible for overnight supervision. School teachers are responsible for dispensing medications. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact JOY or the coordinating school/organization.

**PREPARING FOR YOUR VISIT:** Please be prepared for this exciting educational program.

- Remember that Joy Outdoor Education Center has high expectations for group participation and individual behavior for our guests.
- Our Adventure programs are operated on a “**challenge by choice**” philosophy, which means that you will set your own goals for each event, and only positive support is acceptable.
- The health information and parental authorization form **must** be completed for each participant. The visiting organization is responsible for dispensing medication, and notifying the Joy staff of particular medical conditions. Participating chaperones and teachers must also complete the health form

**(NOTE: No one may participate in any activity at Joy without this form and all necessary medication, (i.e. inhaler, Ritalin)).**

**MEDICAL ASSISTANCE:** JOY facilitators are Red Cross certified in First Aid & CPR and are on duty 24 hours each day. In case of sickness or accident, parents will be notified as soon as possible. Emergency service is provided by the Clarksville Volunteer Fire Department; Clinton Memorial Hospital is located in Wilmington, just 12 miles away.

**PHONE CALLS:** Only emergency calls will be accepted at the center. Between 9:00 AM- 5:00 PM, call 1-800-300-7094. After 5:00 PM call our on-call staff at 1-937-725-4036. At the tone, enter the phone number where the Joy Staff can call you back and they will do so as soon as possible.

**VISITORS:** We discourage visitors during our program so that the participant may have an independent experience.

**LOCATION:** JOY is located just off the intersection of State Route 22/3 and State Route 350 on Old 3-C Highway, 1.5 miles west of Clarksville, OH.

**MAIL:** Participant mail should be addressed as follows:

Participant's Name—Participant's Organization  
JOY Outdoor Education Center, LLC  
PO Box 157  
Clarksville, OH 45113  
Fax: 937-289-3179

We are looking forward to your group's visit. Please contact us if you have any questions or concerns.

Respectfully,  
Elliott Blodgett  
Associate Program Director  
Youth & Community Leadership Program