

FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT®
FOR HEALTHY LIVING
FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

# MAKING KIDS BETTER FOREVER

OUTDOOR EDUCATION AT CAMP FITCH YMCA







### **CAMP FITCH CORE VALUES**

- ★ Growth Mindset
- **★** Servant Leadership
- **★** Teamwork



## Why Outdoor Education?

- 1. Experiential learning in a nature based environment.
- 2. Supporting emotional, behavioral and intellectual development through friendship, achievement and belonging.
- 3. Developing a sense of independence, empathy, decision making and self discipline.

# Friendship Achievement Belonging









# HOW DO WE ACHIEVE THIS?

#### **ITDOOR LEARNING ENVIRONMENT**









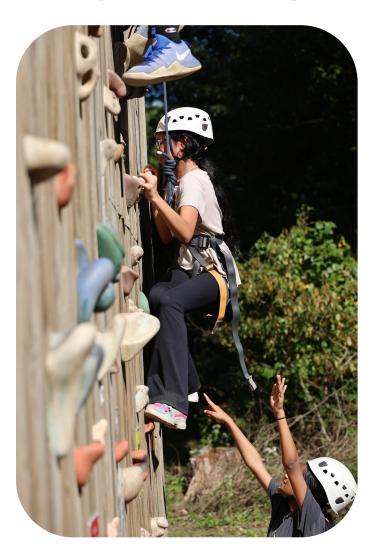
#### **CREATIVE TEACHERS**







#### PERCEIVED RISK TAKING









#### **COMMUNITY BUILDING**







#### **SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL GROWTH**







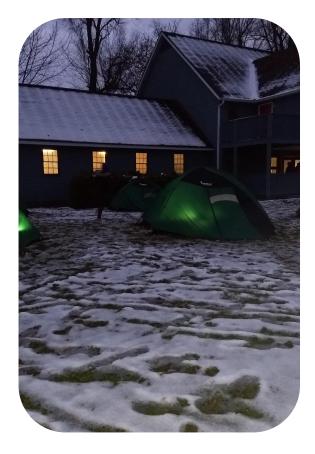
#### **EXPERIENCE NATURE**







#### **INDEPENDENT LIVING**





#### TAKE A BREAK FROM TECHNOLOGY



#### **BUILDING TRUST**

- Outdoor Education since 1977
- 65 OE Partner Schools
- Summer Camp since 1914
- Serve 15,000 people annually
- Qualified Year Round Staff
- ACA accredited













#### **DINING HALL**



#### **FOOD SERVICE**







## WHERE WE ARE



#### **OUR FACILITIES**











#### **OUR OUTDOOR PROGRAM AREAS**











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#### **OUR INDOOR PROGRAM AREAS**









#### SUPER SUPERVISION

#### High School Counselors are...

- Enthusiastic
- Flexible
- Impartial
- •Cool
- Leaders
- Spontaneous
- Hand Selected
- Part of your

Community



Fact: 16 million youth will reach age 19 without ever having a quality mentor in their life.

## **CAP Reminders**

**NO Alone Time** 

NO Inappropriate

Language

NO Inappropriate Touch

**NO Outside Contact** 

**NO Favoritism** 

Rule of Three – All campers must travel in groups of 3 at all times at camp.



#### A DAY AT CAMP

- 7:15 Get Up!
- 8:05 Flag Raising
- 8:15 Breakfast
- 9:15 Morning Duties
- 9:30-11:45 Activities
- 12:00 Lunch
- 1:00-5:00 Activities
- 5:30 Dinner
- 7:00 Evening Program
- 10:30 Lights Out

## ACTIVITY LIST

- ★ Lake Erie Studies ★ Rock Climbing

- **★** Survival
- ★ Pioneer Crafts
- ★ Pond Study

- ★ Canoeing ★ Horsemanship
- ★ Outdoor Cooking ★ Challenge Course
  - ★ Archery
  - ★ Reptiles/Amphibians
  - ★ Fitch Farm









## PREPARING FOR CAMP

- Prevent Homesickness
  - Packing List Provided
  - Function not FashionLabels!



## **SUMMER CAMP**











## KEEP IN TOUCH!

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# COME AND VISIT

Schedule a Tour... anytime!

