

# Youth Outdoor Adventure Program

Cheyenne Community Recreation & Events **Recreation Division** 

# PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The City of Cheyenne Recreation Division is excited to announce the 13th year of the Outdoor Adventure Program! This program includes weekly adventure activities for the youth of Cheyenne spanning from June to August.

This program is for those seeking to get outside and explore as each week will have different outdoor adventure opportunities! Our staff will safely show the ins and outs of all that Wyoming and Colorado have to offer as they lead trips to a variety of beautiful destinations, including Curt Gowdy State Park, Vedauwoo, Horsetooth Reservoir, and others. Along the way, the program will provide participants with the tools necessary to enjoy activities safely and ethically as we teach recreational and survival skills along with environmental sustainability.

The Outdoor Adventure Program (OAP) is designed to be a cost-effective way to get the youth to enjoy nature's adventure. We believe that we live in one of the most amazing areas in the country. It is our mission to get individuals outside where they can experience all there is to offer in our local range and gain an appreciation for the outdoor lifestyle.

For additional information, please call the Recreation Division at (307) 773-1039.

## PLEASE NOTE:

You can choose to adventure on either Thursday or Friday of each week. depending on what fits your schedule best.

Spots are limited, so sign up early! Registration deadlines for each event are the Tuesday prior to the event. Be aware that because of weather and other unforeseen circumstances, some events may be altered, or in rare cases, canceled.



# REQUIRED MATERIALS

- Appropriate clothing for each activity This will include warm clothes in case of unexpected weather changes. Remember, layering is key, bring multiple lightweight layers to fit any situation. Hiking shoes (ones that can and will get dirty!)
- Rain Gear Afternoon rainstorms are extremely likely in the mountains.
- Water bottle(s) These need to be durable and leakproof (we recommend 32 oz.). This is very important!
- Most of these activities will be full-day excursions, so bring a sack lunch and plenty of high-energy snacks (nothing that requires a microwave). Good examples are fruit, granola, jerky, and peanut butter & jelly sandwiches.
- Any medication the participant is currently taking, with dosage instructions, to be held by the program leaders, not the youth, (i.e., inhalers, allergy meds, EpiPen, etc.).
- Our number one goal is SAFETY. The listening skills of the participants and the mature ability to follow directions of the OAP leaders are essential. Please read the Code of Conduct, and ensure participants meet the program's expectations.
- A good breakfast! This is very important. We start off very active and your children need fuel in the tank! Lunch will not be provided!
- Bring a backpack to hold all your personal items during the trip. The City of Cheyenne is not responsible for any lost or stolen items. Keep valuables at home.
- The program will always begin and end at the BEAST (2900 Sunflower Rd, Cheyenne, WY)
- Parents are responsible for picking up the child either before or after we reach our destination if the participant gets sick or doesn't want to participate.
   No special arrangements will be made.

# PROGRAM FAQS

Where and when do we meet in the morning? Participants will meet at 7:45 a.m. and leave at 8 a.m. sharp. The BEAST will be the starting place for every activity. (2900 Sunflower Rd)

What ages is this program designed for?

Due to the activity levels and types of events, the Youth

Outdoor Adventure Program is reserved for ages 10-15

years old.

## How will a participant get to and from the various destinations?

The Outdoor Adventure Program will provide all transportation to each week's destination. Just show up at the BEAST and we will take it from there.

## When do we pick our participant up from the BEAST?

Due to the nature of our program, it is nearly impossible to predict when we are going to be done with an activity. As a general rule, be prepared to pick your participant up anywhere from 3 p.m. - 5 p.m. If there is inclement weather, this may be much earlier. We will have participants call their rides when we are heading back to the BEAST.

## How many leaders will be present at any given activity?

Every activity will have at least two leaders present, with additional leaders and volunteers added when deemed appropriate by the Outdoor Adventure Program staff. No more than 12 participants allowed each day. Ratio: 1:6.

What if a participant is injured during an activity? The Outdoor Adventure Program staff is trained in First Aid, CPR & other lifesaving skills. If an injury occurs, proper response(s) will be executed, and guardian(s) will be notified.

I signed up for a program but may have to miss the activity. Will I get a refund for that activity?

Sadly, due to initial program costs, no. If you are going to miss the activity, please contact us asap so we aren't waiting for you to show. Additionally, monies are non-transferable.

#### Will food be provided?

We will have extra water for emergency situations, but generally be prepared to provide your own breakfast, lunch, snacks, and water.

# YOUTH OUTDOOR **ADVENTURE ACTIVITIES**

#### **Activity 1: Hike and Cookout**

Get your cook on! Participants will have the opportunity to scramble around the unique rock formations in the Vedauwoo area. They will spend the afternoon learning about outdoor cooking methods and enjoying tasty wilderness cuisine. Meals for this activity are provided. Welcome to bring your own lunch.

Location: Vedauwoo \_Activity #268041.01 : Thursday, June 12, 8am - 4pm Activity #268041.02 : Friday, June 13, 8am - 4pm **Fee:** \$60

#### **Activity 2: Rock Climbing**

Get ready to climb to new heights! Participants will head to Whetstone Climbing for an exciting day of rock climbing. Experienced instructors will guide the group, teaching essential climbing techniques and safety skills. After learning the ropes, participants will have time for fun and games. After climbing, the adventure continues with a visit to Twin Silo Park—a unique and engaging park featuring creative play areas.

Location: Whetstone Climbing and Twin Silo Park (Fort Collins, CO) \_\_\_Activity #268041.03 : Thursday, June 19, 8am - 4pm \_Activity #268041.04 : Friday, June 20, 8am - 4pm

#### **Activity 3: Fishing**

Join us for a beginner-friendly fishing adventure at Curt Gowdy State Park! Its tranquil lakes and streams make it the perfect setting for those new to fishing. Learn the basics of casting and reeling in your first catch! Surrounded by stunning scenery, it's sure to be a day of fun and relaxation in nature that you'll never forget! Equipment will be provided.

\* 15-year-olds must register in person at the Kiwanis Community House and show a valid fishing license.

Location: Curt Gowdy State Park \_Activity #268041.05 : Thursday, June 26, 8am - 4pm Fee: \$60

#### **Activity 3: Archery**

Cheyenne Field Archers (CFA) will provide instruction for firsttime and experienced archers. These professionals will cover safety, technique, and overall skill. Equipment will be provided. Participants will be able to fling arrows to their heart's content! Half-Day.

Location: Cheyenne Field Archers Arena \_\_\_Activity #268041.06 : Thursday, July 10, 8am - 12pm \_\_Activity #268041.07 : Friday, July 11, 8am - 12pm Fee: \$30 Sponsored by Cheyenne Field Archers

**Fee:** \$60

#### **Activity 5: Tundra Trek**

Embark on an unforgettable hike through the stunning Snowy Range in the Medicine Bow National Forest. This scenic journey will take participants past the crystal-clear waters of Lewis Lake and South Gap Lake, offering incredible views of the rugged, snow-capped mountains. The hike will continue up to Medicine Bow Peak, offering awesome views of Wyoming's rugged mountain scenery.

Location: Medicine Bow National Forest

\_\_\_Activity #268041.08 : Thursday, July 17,
8am - 4pm

\_\_\_Activity #268041.09 : Friday, July 18,
8am - 4pm

# Activity 6: Guernsey Hike and Swim

**Fee:** \$60

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Get ready for a day of hiking, swimming, and history at Guernsey State Park! We'll start by exploring the North Bluff Trail, where participants can enjoy scenic views and discover the natural beauty of the park. After the hike, it's time to cool off with a swim at the park's sandy beach! Along the way, we'll also check out some fascinating Oregon Trail history, offering a glimpse into the past and the pioneer spirit that shaped the region.

Location: Guernsey State Park

\_\_\_Activity #268041.10 : Thursday, July 31,
8am - 4pm

\_\_\_Activity #268041.11 : Friday, August 1,
8am - 4pm

**Activity 7: Kayaking** 

Participants will explore the beautiful inlets and granite springs of Granite Reservoir and sharpen their kayaking skills. Participants are required to wear life jackets.

Location: Curt Gowdy State Park

\_\_\_Activity #268041.12 : Thursday, August 7,
8am - 4pm

\_\_\_Activity #268041.13 : Friday, August 8,
8am - 4pm

Fee: \$60

#### **Activity 8: Stand-Up Paddleboarding**

Stand-up paddleboarding offers a fun way to play on the water, with the added benefit of a great workout. It gives you a unique vantage point of viewing what's down under the water and out on the horizon. Must have swimming skills, and comfort in the water. <u>Participants are required to wear life jackets</u>.

Location: Curt Gowdy State Park

\_\_\_Activity #268041.14 : Thursday, August 14,
8am - 4pm

\_\_\_Activity #268041.15 : Friday, August 15,
8am - 4pm

Fee: \$60

Register at the Kiwanis Community House (4603 Lions Park Drive) or online at www.CheyenneRec.org (Scan QR Code)



# **OAP - PARTICIPANT INFO FORM**

Name of Participant:		
Date of Birth:	Age:	Gender:
Does the participant have a ce	ell phone we may c	all? If so, please list:
Name of Parent(s)/Guardian(s	s):	
Parent/Guardian Email(s):		
Parent/Guardian Phone(s):		
Mailing Address:		
Please explain any medical co		
Please explain any physical, e Adventure Program staff need		rioral characteristics of the participant that the Outdoor
Who should we call first for ge	neral program info	rmation and/or in case of emergency?
	Relationship:	
Best Contact Phone Number:_		
Who will be picking up and dro		cipant (if different than #1)
Best Contact Phone Number:		

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# WAIVER, RELEASE, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

In consideration of my participation in the program, I agree that there are inherent risks of serious injury, including permanent paralysis or even death, and I fully understand and assume all associated risks. I, hereby, waive, release, and discharge for myself, my family members, heirs, administrators, personal representatives, successors, and assigns, any rights, and claims which I have, or which may accrue against the City of Cheyenne, its officers, employees, and volunteers for any and all damages which may be sustained by myself directly or indirectly as a result of my participation.

This waiver and release apply to any negligent or willful actions or the failure to act on the part of the City of Cheyenne, its officers, employees, and volunteers. I understand that I am relinquishing legal rights.

Further, I agree to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless, including paying attorney's fees, costs, and expenses, the City of Cheyenne from any and all liabilities, that may result from my participation in the program, and I agree not to initiate any legal proceeding against the City of Chevenne, its officers, employees, and volunteers.

In registering for this activity, I and/or the participant do grant permission for pictures to be used in publicity or brochures related to the Cheyenne Community Recreation and Events.

Further, I certify that I am eighteen (18) years of age or older. I certify that I have read and understand this document and sign it knowingly, willingly, and voluntarily.

Participant Printed Name	
Parent/Guardian Printed Name	Date
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Parent/Guardian Signature	Witness Signature

### OAP - CODE OF CONDUCT

To ensure that the Outdoor Adventure Program is a positive and enjoyable experience for all participants, it is necessary to establish and enforce standards of behavior. The following are conduct measures that must be adhered to during all activities; failure to do so may result in removal from the day's activity and/or Program:

- I will be courteous and respectful towards others, including staff members, volunteers, other participants, and the environment.
- I will follow the guidance and instruction of the Outdoor Adventure Program staff and volunteers.
- I will conduct myself in an appropriate manner at all times.
- I will not demonstrate any inappropriate personal display of affection.
- I will not punch, kick, hit, or engage in any form of physical violence.
- I will not engage in any form of bullying.
- I will not speak any vulgar or abusive language. This includes cursing, degrading or hateful speech, and racial slurs.
- I will not use my cell phone (or any other technology) in an improper manner. (Use of cell phones will not be tolerated during activities)

Signing below signifies that the participant understands and will adhere to the Code of Conduct. The staff will document all violations and notify the parent(s) if a participant does not adhere to any of the standards.

Parent or Guardian Signature	Date