



## YMCA Adventure Guides

### YMCA of Greater Williamson County

#### Children Ages 5-12 and their parents

The YMCA has a long history of bringing parents and children together for life enriching experiences. This history has left a legacy of strengthened relationships and close bonds in many families and communities across the country.

#### What is Adventure Guides?

The elementary school years are a time of discovery and rapid learning. Children are beginning to see things differently as they grow and the YMCA wants to give parents a platform on which to stay close to their kids. We want to challenge our kids and learn new skills together, so why not do it as a family and with others?

This Parent & Child program is purposefully designed for both you and your children to grow as a family and to enjoy the great outdoors. The Adventure Guides is also a great place to make new friends with other kids and parents. It's a place for kids to be kids and for parents to play right along with them. Originally based on strong traditions of the Native American Culture, this program embraces the core values of caring, honesty, respect, responsibility, and faith.



#### Program Purpose

"To foster understanding and companionship between parent and child."

#### Program Motto *Friends Forever*

#### Program Pledge

"We, YMCA Adventure Guides and Explorers, through friendly service to each other, to our family, to this Circle (or Expedition), and to our community, seek a world pleasing to the eye of Our Creator."

## Program Aims

1. To be clean in body and pure in heart
2. To be friends forever with my dad/mom/son/daughter
3. To love the sacred circle of my family
4. To listen while others speak
5. To love my neighbor as myself
6. To respect the traditions and beliefs of all people
7. To seek and preserve the beauty of Our Creator's work in forest, field, and stream

## What do Adventure Guides do?

Families are paired together into **Circles** with existing families that are a good match in ages of children and location. These Circles contain anywhere from 4 to 9 family groups. A handful of parents volunteer to lead the group in various leadership roles. The Circle meets monthly in a member's home or at camp for fun activities including: camping skills, games, crafts, skits and competitions. Then there are **Expedition Events** where all Circles come together for: camping at State Parks, visiting Museums, doing community service projects, Swim parties and a Christmas dinner party.

## What are some benefits you can expect from Adventure Guides?

- ✓ Builds companionship and understanding among family members which can deepen relationships.
- ✓ Builds a sense of self-esteem and personal worth by doing new activities.
- ✓ Provide a framework to spend enjoyable, constructive, and quality time together.
- ✓ Enhance the quality of family time.
- ✓ Emphasize the vital role parents play in the growth and development of their children.
- ✓ Offer an important and unique opportunity to develop & enjoy volunteer leadership skills.
- ✓ Opportunity to meet other families with children the same age.

## Registration for Adventure Guides

Adventure Guides runs throughout the school year.

The Adventure Guide program registration has two parts. One is the Participant Program Fee for children and there is also an "Outfitters Package" for new people (adults included) to get the T-Shirt, Vest for event patches and a Compass patch for achievement patches. We have a YMCA Family 1 & 2 member price and a non Y Member price.

There are also separate charges for the Expedition Events which are either Campouts charged per tent or a per person charge.

As always with the YMCA, Financial Assistance is available.

**For more information contact: The YMCA Camp Office at 512-257-0709 or**

**Email; [camptwinlakes@ymcagwc.org](mailto:camptwinlakes@ymcagwc.org)**



**Y ADVENTURE GUIDES**  
**Program Registration**  
**Form 2016-2017**

**Parent 1 Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Shirt Size:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Cell** \_\_\_\_\_ **E-Mail** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent 2 Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Shirt Size:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Cell** \_\_\_\_\_ **E-Mail** \_\_\_\_\_

**Child's Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Grade** \_\_\_\_\_ **Sex** M / F; **DOB** \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_  
**School attending:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Enrollment Type (circle one)**

- |                 |                 |                   |             |
|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------|-------------|
| Father/Son      | Mother/Son      | 2 parent/son      |             |
| Father/daughter | Mother/daughter | 2 parent/daughter | other _____ |

**I was referred by:** \_\_\_\_\_

**YMCA Family 1 or 2 members (of the GWC Y) receive discounted pricing. The Participant Program FEE is charged for Children only. The "Outfitters Package" is for first time participants and includes a T-Shirt, Vest and patch. Expedition Campouts and Events are charged per campsite or per person.**

**YMCA Family 1 or 2 Members – (Check One)**

\_\_\_\_ **Participant Program Fee:**  
           \$20 per child

\_\_\_\_ **Outfitters package (for new participants):**  
           \$40 per person (includes Vest, T-shirt, Compass patch)

**NON YMCA Members – (Check One)**

\_\_\_\_ **Participant Program Fee:**  
           \$35 per child

\_\_\_\_ **Outfitters package (for new participants):**  
           \$50 per person (includes Vest, T-shirt, Compass patch)

**Parent or Guardian Acknowledgement**

\_\_\_\_ **Permission for Transportation:** The YMCA Staff has my permission to transport my child to and from program locations in the event of an emergency. I understand reasonable precaution will be taken to ensure the safety and supervision of my child.

\_\_\_\_ **Medical Waiver:** In the event that my child requires emergency medical treatment and I cannot be reached, I hereby authorize YMCA Staff to make arrangements to transport my child to the nearest hospital/emergency medical facility. I give my consent for any and all necessary medical treatment, if, in fact, my child requires the attention of a physician.

\_\_\_\_ **Waiver:** I understand that YMCA activities have inherent risks and I hereby assume all risks and hazards incident to my / my child's participation in all YMCA activities including transportation to and from said activities. I further waive, release, absolve, indemnify, and agree to hold harmless the YMCA, the organizers, volunteers, supervisors, officers, directors, participants, coaches, referees, as well as persons or parents transporting participants to or from such activities from any claims or injury sustained during my / my child's use of YMCA facilities or participation in any YMCA activity whether located on YMCA property or not.

\_\_\_\_ **Photo Release:** I give my consent for pictures taken of me / my child involved in YMCA programs to be used for future YMCA promotions or display.

**I have read and agree to the above information.**

Parents / Guardian's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Office use only: \_\_\_\_\_ Staff Initials \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Paid \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Date **1617A**



**Y ADVENTURE GUIDES**

**EXPEDITION EVENT**

**Registration Form**

**2016-2017**

**List all those attending:**

**Parent 1 Name** \_\_\_\_\_ YMCA Member No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cell \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent 2 Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cell \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

**Child's Name** \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Sex M / F  
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Campouts are sold PER TENT for both nights. Each Campsite can have 2 Tents.

**How many tents will your family need?**

\_\_\_\_\_

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>YMCA Member</u>	<u>Non Y Member</u>
__ 10/7-9/16:	INKS LAKE	\$40/ tent by 9/26.	\$45/Tent Non Y Member
__ 12/3/16:	Christmas Dinner	\$7 ea. By by 11/25.	__ Total x \$7
__ 2/25/17;	Pine Car Derby	\$10 each. By 2/17	__ Total x \$10
__ 4/7-9/17;	LOCKHART	\$40/ tent by 3/27/17	\$45/Tent Non Y Member
__ 6/3/17;	YMCA Pool party, BBQ & closing awards (by 5/26)		__ Total x \$6

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### 2016-2017 EXPEDITION EVENTS SCHEDULE

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**Expedition Events are designed for ALL of the Circles to participate and take part in planning. The Circle meetings typically happen each month with just the local group of Guides. Circle meetings are set by each group to meet their own scheduling concerns.**

CHECK REGISTRATION FORMS FOR ALL DEADLINES. KEY: YM = YMCA Family Member 1-2 NM = Non-Y Member

<b>Oct. 7-9, 2016</b>	<b>Fall Campout</b> INKS LAKE State Park	YM: \$40 per tent NM: \$45 per tent Deadline 9/26/16	Includes swimming, fishing, canoeing, hiking, and the Guide Olympics
<b>Oct. 22, Saturday</b> 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.	<b>Trailhead Adventure</b> YMCA Camp Twin Lakes	FREE	Family activities and introduction to the Adventure Guide program and a Hot Dog Dinner at 5pm
<b>November</b>	Circle Meeting		
<b>Dec. 3, 2016</b> 3:00-6:00 PM	<b>Christmas Dinner</b> YMCA Camp Twin Lakes	\$7 per person Deadline 11/25/16	Annual Christmas Party. Christmas dinner, singing and more
<b>January</b>	Circle Meeting		
<b>Feb. 25, 2017</b> 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	<b>Pine Car Derby</b> YMCA Camp Twin Lakes	\$10 per entry Deadline 2/17/17	Design and build your own car and race against others on our fast track. Trophies in several categories.
<b>March</b>	Circle Meeting		
<b>April 7-9, 2017</b>	<b>Spring Campout I</b> LOCKHART State Park	PM: \$40 per tent NM: \$45 per tent Deadline 3/27/17	The main activity is river swimming, tubing and wading as we enjoy this great park.
<b>May</b>	Circle Meeting		
<b>June 3, 2016</b>	<b>Pool Party &amp; BBQ</b> YMCA Camp Twin Lakes	\$6 per person Deadline 5/26/17	Includes BBQ lunch, swimming & awards.

<http://tpwd.state.tx.us/state-parks>

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**YMCA Camp Twin Lakes**

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