



Adventure Club Parent Guide 2020-2021

Thank you for choosing Adventure Club! We are an after school program located at Columbus Youth Camp in western Bartholomew County (12454 W Youth Camp Rd) that provides traditional outdoor recreation and adventure activities in the after school hours. At Adventure Club it is our goal to create a safe, positive, and fun environment for your child. We have provided this informational guide to answer some of your questions concerning camp specifics. If you have additional questions please contact us at cyc@columbusyouthcamp.com.

Child Pick Up:

- Southside Elementary at school dismissal
- Mt. Healthy Elementary at school dismissal

Parent Pick Up:

- CYC by 5:30pm
OR
- Southside between 6:00 and 6:30

How to Contact Adventure Club:

- Registering, transferring, cancelling weekly registrations, and payments (*see policy guidelines*):
 - Call Customer Service at (812)348-4558 x 1
 - Monday - Friday 9:00am-5:00pm, Saturday 10:30am-12:00pm (subject to change)
- Adventure Club program staff:
 - Email: cyc@columbusyouthcamp.com
 - 812-348-4558 X 401
 - Monday - Friday 10:00am-5:00pm
 - Emergency Number
 - 812-348-4558 x 401 (*The cell phone numbers of directing staff are released on an as-needed basis*)

Weather Policy: In the event of *weather exceptions ALL registered Adventure Club members will be taken directly to the Foundation for Youth and parents/guardians will be notified immediately. Those registered for Adventure Club will then partake in the Boys & Girls Club activities. All members must be picked up by 6:30pm at the Foundation for Youth. No other pick up locations will be available. In the event of a BCSC issued Snow Day or early dismissal, Adventure Club will be canceled and no transportation will be provided.*

Registration and Payment Policies:

- Weekly **ONLINE** registration and payment is required at the latest by Sunday 12:00 pm before your child attends for the following week. A \$5.00 late registration/billing fee per child will be added if registration is not made on time.
 - “How to” register information sheet included in this packet.
 - For more assistance email info@foundationforyouth.com

Membership Fee for the After School Program:

- \$30.00 per child with additional discounts for the following.
- \$10.00 discount if child has a current 2020 SOE Break Membership o \$5.00 discount for the 2nd sibling being registered
- \$10.00 discount for the 3+ sibling being registered

Adventure Club weekly fee:

- \$35 per child per week (*Sliding fee scale available for those who qualify*).
 - You must bring in proof of TOTAL household income (see membership form for approved document list. The best discounts are received from your most recent tax returns and need to be brought to the Customer Service Desk at the Foundation For Youth to apply for the sliding fee scale.
 - Qualified discounts will be honored for future enrollments once correct documentation has been received (and will not be applied “to past charges”).

Camp Hours, Member Pick Up and Parent Pick Up: Adventure Club program hours are from 2:35pm - 6:00pm Monday-Friday during the school year, excluding: breaks, snow days, and early release days. Adventure Club staff will pick up your child at one of two sites that you must register for: Southside Elementary and Mt. Healthy. Upon pick up your child will travel to Columbus Youth Camp to partake in activities. If your child is being picked up from Southside Elementary or Mt. Healthy Elementary they will go to the car rider line and be picked up by our CYC Van or Activity bus.

Parent pick up: Columbus Youth Camp until 5:30pm or Southside Elementary from 5:45-6:15pm. (*Please note: If you have not contacted the Adventure Club staff by 5:30pm your child will be taken to Southside Elementary.*)

What to send with your child & how to dress for Adventure Club: Please send your camper with these items to camp every day and put your camper's name on all of their belongings in permanent marker (first and last name please)! Campers who are not prepared may not be able to participate in all activities. Please note that we are an indoor and outdoor facility so when the weather is nice we will spend our time outside. Your child will be hiking and may get dirty or muddy shoes and or pants. We try our best to avoid muddy or wet areas as we know your child will be wearing school clothes. Please also make sure to check the weather every day and send your child with the appropriate clothing for the weather *jackets, coats, gloves, hats, rain coat, etc.*)

- Refillable water bottle
- Closed toed shoes and socks
- Extra pair of "play" shoes or shoes that can get dirty
- Swimsuit and towel (*August and September only*)
- *Mask (disposable or reusable)*

Activities at Camp: Adventure Club is meant to offer traditional outdoor recreation and adventure activities in the after school hours. These activities are built around exploring, discovering, and learning. Activities include but are not limited to: *(Please note that not all activities listed may be completed in the same week).*

- Hiking
- Archery
- Play Scape *(a playground made of natural materials)*
- Canoeing and Kayaking
- Swimming *(in August and September only)*
- Fishing
- Beach play
- Sports or team activities
- Crafts such as weaving, painting, holiday themed, etc.
- Board games and card games
- Field Games
- GaGa Ball
- Pottery
- Shelter Building
- Mountain biking *(for members 8 years and older)*
- BMX biking *(for members 8 years and older)*

Areas of Camp we utilize: Columbus Youth Camp encompasses 137 beautiful acres, which 15 are developed. Adventure Club utilizes seven miles of trails and various areas around Camp. The main buildings we use are The Reeves *(heated & air conditioned)*, Yucca Center *(heated & air conditioned)*, Noblitt Shelter & Dining Hall *(heated)*, Upper and Lower Bathhouse *(heated & air conditioned)*, Welcome Center, and boat house. We also use areas such as shelter houses, our playscape, lake, volleyball and basketball courts, trails, and clear areas around Camp. Pictures available on the last page of this document.

***Weather Exceptions:** A weather exception is a weather event that causes the trip to Columbus Youth Camp or the time spent at Columbus Youth Camp to be deemed unsafe. An example of a weather exception that could cause the cancellation of Adventure Club is unsafe road conditions due to snow and/or ice. In the event of a weather exception ALL registered Adventure Club members will be taken directly to the Foundation for Youth and parents/guardians will be notified immediately. Those registered for Adventure Club will then partake in the Boys & Girls Club activities. All members must be picked up by 6:30pm at the Foundation for Youth. No other pick up locations will be available.

***BCSC School Closings:** In the event of a BCSC issued Snow Day or early dismissal, Adventure Club will be canceled and no transportation will be provided. The Boys & Girls Club of Foundation For Youth offers all day BCSC snow day care from 7:30am - 5:30pm at no additional charge for those registered for Adventure Club. The Boys & Girls Club of Foundation for Youth is located at 405 Hope Ave, Columbus, IN 47201.

Adventure Club Staff: Our staff is mainly composed of high school and college students, who have education or experience in camp activities, youth work, or programming for children. Our van and minibus drivers are all 18 or over, have a valid driver's license, and must undergo an additional driving test facilitated by an FFY Director. The Foundation for Youth and Columbus Youth Camp employs staff who are CPR and First Aid certified. Columbus Youth Camp also employs certified lifeguards who are present at all swimming and canoeing activities. Our staff that lead archery are also certified Range Masters. Directors and lead staff are either CYCC (Child and Youth Care Credential) certified or are on their way to become certified. Please, Be sure to sign up for the Remind app for all comments, questions, and concerts. Also, please follow our Adventures on social media! [@ffycolumbus](#)