

TOWN'S INN HEALTH AND HERITAGE PROGRAM OUTLINE

I. Introduction

A. Assumptions

___ Experiential, interactive curricula and instruction are effective

___ Jefferson County and nearby counties contain numerous resources that provide opportunities for experiential, interactive instruction in the areas of health and history / heritage (such as the National Parks, the Appalachian Trail Conservancy, Blue Ridge Center for Environmental Stewardship, National Conservation Training Center, Two Rivers Heritage Partnership, River Riders, CraftWorks at Cool Spring, the many highly knowledgeable, skilled, and talent residents, etc.)

___ A carefully developed, "camp-style" health and heritage adventure academy from mid-November to mid-April will help meet the needs of the Town, County, and State governments; non-profit organizations; business owners, residents, teachers, and students ages 6 and older by matching instructors who will share their expertise with students.

B. Needs during the mid-November through mid-April "low season"

___ Nearby Towns / Counties / States: increased tax revenue from local residents, visitors, and business owners of tourism-related businesses

___ Non-profit organizations: Increased visitation and revenue

___ Business owners: increased revenue

___ Residents / Instructors: increased employment opportunities

___ Private school and home school teachers and their students: structured field-based programs that complement the health (physical, spiritual, social, emotional, intellectual) and heritage (history, economics, civics, culture) aspects of their curricula.

C. Goal: to work with organizations and individuals to provide self-contained, customized classes (academic and extra-curricular sessions) for students ages 6 and older at a Health and Heritage Adventure Academy that is structured similarly to summer camps lasting two or more days and that is based at the Town's Inn, located in Lower Town Harpers Ferry, WV

D. Participants: Groups of 1 - 8 students (chaperone required for ages 6-17);

E. Pricing

1. Lodging: \$100 per room (each rooms sleep 1 - 4 guests)

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2. Food / beverages (per person): Menu prices, plus tax and 20% gratuity for A La Carte Menu or customized Banquet Menu

3. Transportation: \$2 / mile for mini-van-with-driver; \$5 / hour for bicycles; \$0 for guest automobiles

4. Tuition (per session): Price varies from \$0-\$100 and is set by instructors and paid by students prior to their arrival. The price for the session remains the same regardless of number of students, but the price / student is reduced in larger classes. For example, in an \$80 session with 1 student, the one student would pay \$80. In an \$80 session with 8 students, each student would pay \$10.

5. Payment: Full price for lodging and sessions must be in paid in advance to secure reservations. The price of food from the Banquet Menu must be paid at check-in. The price of food from the A La Carte Menu must be paid at check-out.

6. Cancellation: Full price for lodging and sessions is charged for all cancellations unless the cancellation is due to inclement weather or other such "act of God" circumstances that create safety hazards. The cost of food and transportation is not charged. Tuition and lodging costs can be transferred to another qualified student.

II. Schedule (Note: Meals are served throughout the 2-hour "window")

06:00 Breakfast

08:00 Area Sessions (Tours, Seminars, Workshops, Demonstrations, Sports...)

12:00 Lunch / Free Time

14:00 Harpers Ferry Sessions (Tours, Seminars, Workshops, Sports...)

17:00 Free Time / Independent Study

18:00 Dinner

20:00 Evening Program / Free Time / Independent Study

22:00 Lights Out (for students under age 18)

III. Transportation

A. To/From Harpers Ferry: Amtrak, MARC, Auto, Bicycle (arranged by guest)

B. Within the County and nearby: 7-passenger Mini-Van, guest automobiles

IV. Lodging: 3 rooms (private baths) containing 8 beds: 2 queen, 2 full, 4 twin

A. Shenandoah, \$100, 4 beds: upper / lower full-size; upper / lower twin-size

B. Potomac, \$100, 3 beds: 1 queen-size, 2 twin-size

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- C. Appalachian, \$100, 1 antique queen-to-full-size bed
- V. Meals (Note: The Inn has a Sundry / Supply / Snack Shoppe open daily)
 - A. A La Carte Menu Option: Each evening, each guest selects breakfast, lunch, & dinner for the next day. Regular menu prices. Unassigned seating. Individual service. A tab for each guest is run and paid by the guest or group leader at check-out.
 - B. Banquet Menu Option: Prior to visit, the group leader selects meals for the entire visit from the Banquet Menu or requests customized banquet-style meals featuring items not on the menu. Group seating and service. Paid at check-in.
- VI. Program Principles and Policies
 - A. Academic Sessions are based on objectives that identify specific measurable knowledge and skills to be demonstrated by the students. Objectives for each session can be determined by the instructor(s), leader(s) of the group, and/or individual student(s). Extra-Curricular Sessions do not have specific objectives.
 - B. Content for sessions covers a range of subjects related to
 - (1) physical, spiritual, social, emotional, and intellectual health
 - (2) heritage (history, economics, civics, politics, culture, etc.)
 - C. The length (duration) and prices of sessions vary
 - D. Academic Sessions involve preview, participate, and review components
 - E. Academic Sessions involves on-going and final evaluations
 - F. Outdoor sessions have an "inclement weather" alternative
- VII. Morning sessions ~ 8 a.m - 12 p.m
- VIII. Afternoon sessions ~ 2:00 - 5:00 p.m.
- IX. Evening sessions ~ 8:00 - 9:30 p.m.
 - A. Arranged by Karan and Erin
 - 1. Ghost and other Night-Time Tours
 - 2. Story-Telling / Drama / Music / Guest Speakers
 - 3. Crafts / Games
 - 4. Other upon request

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- B. Arranged by guests
 - C. Arranged by day-session instructors
- X. Responsibilities
- A. Karan, Erin, instructors: Promote the Program to individuals and organizations (home-schoolers, private schools, scouts, senior citizens...)
 - B. Karan and Erin
 1. Respond to inquiries
 2. Design / Develop each customized program
 3. Implement the program with the assistance of instructors and staff
 4. Evaluate the program
 5. Provide lodging, food, transportation with the assistance of staff
 6. Handle finances
 7. Assist instructors in design, development, and evaluation of sessions upon request for a \$20/hour/person fee, which can be built into the instructor-determined tuition rate
 8. Arrange / Develop evening sessions as requested
 - C. Instructors
 1. Design / Develop the sessions (Note: Instructors have the choice of either determining the objectives for their Academic Sessions themselves or working with the group leaders and/or students to determine customized / individualized objectives. Once the objectives are established, instructors are responsible for designing and developing, appropriate content and methodology to help the students master the knowledge and skills being addressed in the sessions.
 2. Implement the sessions (Note: Instructors will be contacted each time students request their sessions and will be given the option of accepting or rejecting the particular assignments. Instructors who commit to teach a specific session are responsible for finding a substitute teacher if they are unable to teach as planned.
 3. Evaluate the Academic Sessions (Note: Instructors should provide both formative (on-going) and summative (end-of-course) evaluation procedures)