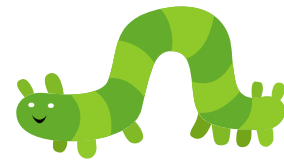


Gesstwood Camp...a fun place to learn!

Dear Educators,



Gesstwood Camp wishes to extend to you an affordable, educational opportunity for your staff and students to experience curriculum in a hands-on, outdoor environment. Gesstwood is located 20 minutes southeast of Windsor or 5 minutes southwest of Essex. It boasts beautiful forests, unique flora and fauna, a meandering creek and lots of wildlife. There are acres of trails throughout the site to hike and explore—discovery for all ages!

We offer the perfect opportunity and location for a day or overnight school trip. Gesstwood has an abundance of space for school groups of all ages. We can cater our program to meet the needs of your class while incorporating a secular camp feeling. Our programmers are well-trained, have met all standards and requirements of the Ontario Camping Association and have provided Gesstwood with a current Police Records Check. They have experience working with children of all ages and abilities and are pleased to meet the needs of “your classroom in our classroom”.

The camp is an excellent facility to learn about environmental issues and awareness including weather, lifecycles, plant, animal and pond life. The staff at Gesstwood are skilled in providing cooperative activities that help students to work together and become successful as a group and as individuals. We will provide active living activities, either introducing or enhancing skills in activities such as hiking, archery or on our newly added Low Ropes Course.



There will be a wide variety of games to play—both competitive and cooperative— requiring teamwork in large and small group formats. These programs provide students with opportunities for outdoor fitness, all the while having a great time!



In order to accommodate your school day schedule, we are offering school day events from 9:30am-2:30pm. We will provide a campfire activity at the end of the program. The students are asked to bring a packed lunch. Of course, we would love to have the group stay to have the full experience of camp—an overnight in our cabins. We will provide programming for a full day and evening. The group is asked to provide an appropriate number of chaperones and night-time supervision. Day 2 programming will resume at your convenience and will continue until check out at 1:00pm. Gesstwood Camp will ensure that the students receive nutritious meals and will provide lodging in our A-framed cabins. Teachers, students and volunteers will need to bring their own sleeping bags and personal items.

Quality programming is what we do all summer for hundreds of children and families. We want to meet the needs of your staff and students, and will personally meet with you prior to your visit to ensure we plan a program fit for your student's wants and needs. Let us enhance the learning— and give your students a unique and memorable way to end the year.



Rates:

Day Trip - 9:30am-2:30pm

\$10/student

(No cost to teacher/assistants)

Overnight Trip - 9:30am-1pm next day

\$35/student

(\$15/teachers and assistants)

This program will be offered during the months of May and June. Please don't hesitate to contact us if you'd like a tour of the facility (519-776-7119).

Included with this letter are a number of flyers for your staff. It is our hope that you will share this opportunity with your staff. We would love to see you this spring!



Thank you for your time,
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