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SUMMER CAMPERSHIPS FOR QUALIFYING KIDS

Getting Kids to Camp program accepting applications

LOS ANGELES – Girls ages 6-14 and boys ages 7-14 who live in the City of Los Angeles and are either lower income or whose parents are deployed or mobilized in the National Guard or military reserves are eligible for a weeklong residential summer camping experience for \$25.

Getting Kids to Camp is a campership program offered by the Department of Recreation and Parks through which children who qualify will be able to spend six days and five nights at Hollywoodland Girls Camp or Griffith Park Boys Camp, both of which are in Griffith Park.

The camping sessions will begin the week of June 29 (the first one will be four days and three nights due to the 4th of July holiday) and end the week of August 10. All seven will have a theme and include a field trip (except the first session).

Amenities and activities for the camping program include: dormitory style cabins, showers, dining hall (along with a professional kitchen staff), swimming pool, hiking trails, climbing wall, challenge course, craft room, and even an archery range.

Each camp provides a safe, well-rounded environment that is supervised by trained staff, and both are accredited by the American Camp Association. The Department has offered quality residential camp programs for more than 80 years.

An application and additional information about the Getting Kids to Camp campership program is available at www.lacity.org/dos/camps/camps.htm (select Griffith Park Boys Camp or Hollywoodland Girls Camp, or by calling (323) 664-0571 or (323) 467-7193, respectively). There are a limited number of camperships; those who are interested should apply early.

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