

ASHGROVE ADVENTURE 2022

Aide-in-Training Application

Wonders of the World

WHEN: June 21 – July 1, 2022, a 9-day camp

TIME: Hours: 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

WHERE: Camp Crowell, Oakton VA

GRADE/AGE: Completed 7th or 8th grade in 2022

COST: \$250.00 payable when you register through GSCNC

REQUIRED:

- Applications must be postmarked by **February 14th**.
- AITs must attend the entire nine days of camp.
- AITs must participate in camp overnight on June 23rd.
- AITs must attend a pre-camp overnight training session June 18th –19th.
- AITs will have a field trip on June 30th, during regular camp hours.

SELECTION CRITERIA:

- Selection as an AIT will be based on the maturity, application detail and readiness to work with younger campers as expressed in the application and verified by your references, **which cannot be a family member**.
- Answers should include clear details and goals that are service oriented are expected.
- Unit size is limited to 12. Applicants not chosen to be AITs will be notified in time to apply through the camp lottery as an Older Girl Scout through the GSCNC camper registration system. **Please do not register as an AIT until notified of your acceptance.**
- Completing the GSCNC Camp Aide training, having been to camp in the past, or having a parent on staff does not give you priority as an AIT applicant.

Being an AIT at Ashgrove Adventure is a privilege and a commitment that begins with the first training and ends with cleanup on the last day. ***The more you put into camp, the more you will get out of it.***

Questions? Call the Camp Directors:
Suzy Miller 703-403-8835 or William Perry 571-402-5334

Return application form as soon as possible,
but it **MUST** be postmarked no later than **February 14, 2022**
Notification of placement and more details will be sent by March 1, 2022.

Must Use USPS Mail To:

Suzy Miller
26117 Iverson Dr
South Riding, VA 20152

What Will Be Expected of Me as an AIT?

Work with campers and adults.
Be on time and prepared.
Ask for help.
Be more concerned about how the campers feel than about how you feel.
Do tasks that you don't know how to do or don't want to do.
Research games, songs and crafts to teach to campers.
Plan and participate in a flag retirement ceremony.
Help with cookouts – remember camp skills?
Participate in all training.
Be ready to change what you are doing at a moment's notice.
Lead a group of girls or boys.
Work with other AITs.
Be willing to try something new and then teach it to someone else.
Follow camp rules.

Training For Aides-in-Training

All training sessions will be held at Camp Crowell, off Justin Knoll Road, Oakton. Our training is designed to:

- Familiarize you with the way our camp operates.
- Provide you with information about the theme that you can use in planning your part of the program.
- Introduce you to skills you can use to make your experience at camp a success for you and the campers.

All AITs Must Attend Training: Saturday, June 18 – Sunday, June 19, 2022
Specific times of attendance to be sent in paperwork after acceptance.

Optional Ashgrove Training: Ashgrove Adventure New Camp Aide Training April 24, 2022 from 3:00pm to 6:00pm at Firefly Lodge, Camp Crowell. Bring a drink, snack, pen & paper for note taking and wear camp appropriate clothes.

Girl Scout Award and Recognition Opportunities

The Girl Scout program gives you many ways to recognize your volunteer effort at Ashgrove Adventure. Some of your choices are listed below. Many of them require that you complete other activities on your own before coming to camp. All require that you document what you have done. Your troop leader can help you decide what is best for you. Your unit leaders are available to assist, but the choice and the responsibility for making it work are yours alone!

Cadette Community Service Bar Cadette Service to Girl Scouting Bar Silver Trefoil Award

In addition, your day camp work qualifies as the summer G.S. activity needed as the last requirement for the Bridge to Seniors.

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Name _____ Home phone () _____ - _____ Cell phone () _____ - _____

Email address _____ This address is mine _____ or my family's _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Birth date ___/___/___ Current grade _____ Current school _____

Registered Girl Scout? Yes ___ No ___ Association/Service Unit _____

20-21 troop # _____ (circle one) Cadette Senior
Leader's name _____ Leader's phone _____
Leader's email _____

21-22 troop # _____ (circle one) Cadette Senior
Leader's name _____ Leader's phone _____
Leader's email _____

Have you been to Ashgrove before? Yes ___ No ___
If yes, # of years as a Br/Fly/Jr / Older Girl _____

Qualifications for AITs

A separate page may be included to write your answers. *Please include specific details and examples.*

What experience do you have working with groups of children?

What leadership skills would you like to learn?

Special skills/knowledge (singing, playing an instrument, craft skills, camping experience, storytelling, dance, naturalist, science)

Administrative skills (paperwork, presentation skills, work well with others, research skills, like to plan or organize)

What Girl Scout camping skills do you have? How often does your troop camp?

Are there any physical or medical concerns that would affect your placement location?

Why do you want to volunteer as an Aide-in-Training at Ashgrove Adventure?

What do you think of this year's theme for Ashgrove Adventure?

What GSCNC recognitions will you have earned by June?

What recognition(s) would you like to earn as an AIT?

How can you help your AIT unit build camaraderie during camp?

References

All applicants need to list the name, address, email, and phone of two adult references, **one** of whom may be your troop leader and neither of whom should be related to you. If you were an Older Girl at Ashgrove, one reference should be a leader of your unit. Please alert your references to be on the lookout for an email from ashgrovedirectors@gmail.com.

Reference 1:

Name _____
Email _____ Phone (____) ____ - _____
Address _____

Reference 2:

Name _____
Email _____ Phone (____) ____ - _____
Address _____