

Visions of Hope for Healthy Youth



2008 Summer Programs Guide

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Who are Visions of Hope?

Visions of Hope is a group of concerned citizens comprised of parents, local business leaders, churches, schools, social services organizations, physicians, elected officials, teens and others who are concerned about the health and well-being of youth in both Whitfield and Murray counties.

What is our vision of hope?

It is our goal to chip away at barriers that might prevent our children from meeting their full potential in the North Georgia region. One of the major concerns for parents is how children spend their time from 3pm – 6 pm each day and during the summer break. A properly designed after-school program or structure of programs can have strong positive effects on children's academic, social and emotional lives.

How does out of school time activities impact our communities?

Are you aware that...

The time between 3 pm – 6 pm is the peak time for violent activities and crimes. There are as many as 14 million children who go home to an empty house each day. In Georgia, over 1 million kids, at least half of Georgia's school aged children, may spend time unsupervised between 3 pm – 6 pm and up to 10 weeks in the summer months.

Out of School time programs...

Provide a safe and enriching environment for children • Lets parents focus on work and ultimately improve their lives • Allows parents to balance work and home life – 0% of parents report missing less work.

What is the cost to taxpayers?

Employee productivity drops and absenteeism costs employers from \$496 to \$1,984 per employee per year • Child care related absences cost U.S. companies an estimated \$3 billion each year.

What can you do?

By working together, we can develop creative solutions to this challenge and help achieve the goal of structuring out-of-school-time programs that are affordable, appropriately located, and age appropriate.

Shocking!!

If the 59,000 Georgia dropouts from the class of 2007 had graduated, their collective lifetime earnings would have increased by over \$15 billion. (2007, Alliance for Excellent Education).

**The return on investment could be
a savings for us all !!!**

Who of the above provides your financial support? Father / Mother / Other Relative / Legal Guardian Circle that person or write another person here _____.

What is that person's place of employment? _____.

List your four largest monthly expenses:

Item

Cost per month

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Mail Application to:
Visions of Hope Summer Program
31 Turkey Trot Drive
Rocky Face, Ga. 30740

Parent/Custodian Signature _____

DISCLAIMER:

Date _____

All scholarship decisions are at the sole discretion of the selection committee and cannot be challenged. Participants must meet eligibility guidelines for the specific program(s). Liability and safety are governed by individual program directors and custodians of participants. If you receive a scholarship and your child fails to attend the entire camp or program, you will not be eligible to receive a scholarship from the organization in the future.

Whitfield County

Camps/Vacation Bible Schools

First Presbyterian Church	706-278-8167
First Baptist Church	706-278-2911
Fellowship Bible Church	706-278-6269
Rock Bridge Community Church	706-279-3175
New Hope Baptist	706-226-2093
Girl Scout Council of Northwest Georgia	706-226-1435
4-H	706-278-8207
Teen Resource Center	706-272-2791
www.daltonisawake.com/trc	

Physical Activities

Dalton Parks and Recreation	706-278-5404
www.dprdsports.com	
Dalton Community Center	706-226-8341
Boys & Girls Club	706-226-2582
Heartland Ranch	706-935-8453
Teen Resource Center	706-272-2791
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Girl Scout Council of Northwest Georgia	706-226-1435
Bradley Wellness Center	706-278-WELL
4-H	706-278-8207
Walk Across Northwest Georgia	706-657-4488
www.nwgapunlichealthy.org/wanwga	

Educational/Wellness Classes

Dalton Community Center	706-226-8341
Creative Arts Guild	706-278-0168
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Specialized Camps

Camp Wheezy (Asthma)	706-278-WELL
Camp LaPapillion (Parenting Teens)	706-272-7919
Adventure Camps (Outdoor Activities)	706-278-5404
Camp Sunshine (Special Needs)	706-278-5404
Camp Tomorrow (Middle School Youth)	706-272-7919

Murray County

Camps/Vacation Bible Schools

Sumach Cumberland Presbyterian Church	706-695-4773
First Baptist Church of Chatsworth	706-695-2112
First United Methodist Church of Chatsworth	706-695-3211
Holly Creek Baptist Church	706-695-8522
Faith Worship Center	706-695-6866
Girl Scout Council of Northwest Georgia	706-226-1435
4-H	706-695-3031
Teen Resource Center	706-272-2791
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Physical Activities

Fort Mountain State Park	706-695-2621
Cohutta Springs Conference Center	706-695-9093
Boys & Girls Club	706-695-0050
Heartland Ranch	706-935-8453
Teen Resource Center	706-272-2791
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Educational/Wellness Classes

Northwest Georgia Gymnastics and Dance	706-695-6664
Creative Arts Guild	706-278-0168
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Visions of Hope Scholarship Application - Summer 2008

Note: All information provided will be held strictly confidential. It will be reviewed only by the members of the Visions of Hope Steering Committee in compliance with all privacy protection rules of Murray County Family Connection.

Student Name: _____ Student Age: _____

Current School & Grade in Fall: _____ Primary Language: _____

Home Address _____ (street) _____ (city) _____ (zip) _____ Camp/Program you want to attend: _____

Home Phone: _____ (cell) Phone: _____ Email address: _____

Would you be able to attend camp or program without any financial assistance? (V) (N) Would you be able to attend camp or program with a partial (half) scholarship? (V) (N)

Family Financial Information

With whom do you currently live?

- a) both parents b) one parent c) step-parent
d) other _____ (circle one)

How many people are in your immediate family, including parents, brothers and sisters? _____

Are your parents?
a) married b) divorced c) separated
d) other _____ (circle one)

List the primary job, with company name, for the following persons, if applicable. If unemployed, note this and provide most recent job. If employed at home, list type of home-based business.

Father _____ Job Title _____ Place of employment _____ Mother _____ Job Title _____ Place of Employment _____

Other Relative _____ Legal Guardian _____