



REGISTRATION FORM
Leadership Behaviour & Maturity Agreement

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Leadership Program Behaviour & Maturity Agreement Version 1.4 Sept 10th, 2024

WESTERN EDUCATIONAL ADVENTURES INCORPORATED Hereinafter referred to as: "WEA".

PARTICIPANT: _____ **PARENT/GUARDIAN(S):** _____

THE PARENT/GUARDIAN(S) Hereinafter referred to as the: "PARENT".

INCLUSION PLAN Hereinafter referred to as the: "Plan".

This agreement outlines WEA's general behaviour and maturity requirements for our teen and pre-teen leadership programs. Some youth may not be able to accomplish all the skills listed below but can likely still participate in our programs. If you feel your youth does not possess some of these skills or if you are unsure, please **CONTACT US PRIOR TO REGISTERING FOR A WEA PROGRAM**. If WEA deems it necessary, WEA will work with families to come up with a Plan (Inclusion Plan) that sets your youth up for success in our program. The Plan must be agreed to by WEA and your family prior to registration. Youth who have registered and do not have this Plan, may be held to all or part of this general behaviour and maturity agreement at WEA's sole discretion.

To participate in a WEA leadership program, youth without an approved Plan should be able to:

1. Transport themselves to and from meetings if over the age of 12.
2. Eat lunch/snacks, drink water, change clothes to suit the weather, wear a hat and apply sunscreen by themselves without adult help most of the time. The occasional reminder from an adult is totally ok.
3. Understand and handle basic levels of responsibility such as following instructions and managing their time. We understand that many youth won't have these skills. Our program will help them learn these skills. However, it is essential that parents support us in this process at home as per our [tl-at-home-resource-for-parents](#) document.
4. Be ok with facing challenge and adversity. This requirement typically is more challenging for parents than youth. Youth need to be challenged to grow.
5. Pack-up their own bag and be generally responsible for their own gear and clothing within a timely manner.
6. Listen and comply with most instructions from WEA staff. Some reminders are totally OK.
7. Respect others and try to avoid detracting from the experience of others most of the time.
8. Be willing to participate in/try all the activities offered during the program.
9. Understand that during most WEA programs, there isn't enough time to do all the activities WEA offers. As such, youth vote as a group on activity choices, schedules, etc. Children need to be prepared for disappointment if the group chooses something contrary to what they wanted. That said, WEA does its best to manage these situations.
10. Understand that the weather and group dynamics may affect certain activities that have been planned.



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11. Be OK with being in a camp program with other youth of varying ages.
12. Have a basic level of risk awareness and make safe decisions most of the time.
13. Behave in a safe manner while in transit on our bus.
14. Communicate with WEA staff about any issues, behaviours or incidents they are feeling unsafe or uncomfortable about.
15. Try and resolve any questions, concerns or challenges with the help of their fellow Participants before seeking help from WEA or another adult.
16. Be on no devices at any time during the Program. Participants are not allowed electronic devices in any of our programs under any circumstances. Kids need some space and time away from electronics!

Additional Terms, Considerations and Notes:

1. Food, water and sunscreen, etc. WEA staff will typically remind children 2-3 times per day to apply sunscreen. WEA staff will typically point out good times to eat food or drink water. It is up to the child to comply and/or decide when or if they do this. We try our best to help teach children these skills throughout the week. WEA understands that younger children will not have all of these skills initially but will likely have them by the end of the camp.
2. Children will be given several opportunities to adjust their behaviour to meet these terms. However, eventually if they are not able to adapt, they may be removed from WEA's program without a refund at WEA's sole discretion. Children that hit or physically hurt any other person will be immediately removed from the program with no refund.
3. Swimming Policy - As we swim in wilderness locations, we require all youth under the age of 9 to wear a lifejacket while swimming. Children over the age of 9 must have a swimming ability of level 5 or higher. We want to keep your kids safe and having fun!
4. Program Concerns – While most of the time kids thrive in our programs, sometimes things don't go perfectly. Occasionally a child may go home and share a concern or a complaint with their parent, guardian, etc. It can be hard for this adult to discern between a kid that just had a bad day, if there is a legitimate issue or somewhere in between. As such, if a child has any concerns, complaints, feedback or otherwise about any WEA program, staff, etc., they will need to be involved in the resolution process. This means that the child will need to be on the phone/online meeting platform or in person with a parent and WEA staff and actively involved in the resolution conversation (with support). The child will need to explain what has happened and what their concerns are. This approach allows the person who is actually having the issue (the child) to learn valuable communication skills. It also allows them to be heard and makes it way easier for all involved adults to understand the full picture.

Participant Review – As a Parent, you agree to read through this entire document with the Participant (your child) and ensure they fully understand it.

By signing and submitting this registration form, the Participant/Parent(s)/Guardian(s) of the Participant acknowledge having read and agreed to the above Behaviour & Maturity Agreement.



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By signing this agreement, I acknowledge that I am nineteen (19) years of age or older.

Signature of Participant/Parent or Guardian

Date

Name of Parent/Guardian