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IS HOSTING

FAMILY TRAINING EVENT



FTE 2019 Camp Woods August 11 -17

Elevate your group's quality standards! Come learn what you're missing! Let our experience improve your ability to run a fantastic group this year!

The Western Training Committee with both the Northern Lights Council and Chinook Council is offering FTE 2019.

The Family Training Event brings together Scouters and OOS to lead program workshop sessions, create networking opportunities in Alberta and have a fun camping holiday with your family at the beautiful Camp Wood site.

Sessions will cover critical areas that help new scouts to obtain the Wood badge One and Two, from Assessing Program Quality to Youth-led Camping and many areas in between. Along with fun stuff like cooking over a campfire to learning songs, skits, and cheers, we also have sessions covering important topics like how to get parents involved and critical conversations. Participation in these sessions can make volunteering better and will grow strong and healthy groups.

Cost

Both subject matter experts from within Scouting and from outside agencies are brought in to qualify you in sessions like pellitory, canoeing or wilderness first aid. Price range depends on what you take but starts at \$40 per day, \$100 per week of half days, or \$200 for the whole week of programming. Please check website to confirm prices.

Camping

Camp Woods has a variety of camping options. There are a limited number of cabins which can be rented. There are powered sites which are booked first come first serve, those with a medical need are given first priority. There are primitive sites for tenting, some small spaces with more privacy, and larger group sites to share. Due to the number of attendees, you may have to share a campsite. Only members of Scouts Canada and their families who are participating with FTE are camping at Camp Woods at this time, so this gives a friendliness to the whole experience not available at public campsites. Kids have space to roam and a community looking out for their safety during the event.

Need More?

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What about the kids?

A youth program is available for 5 and up. The wonderful part of FTE is that while you are learning important principals of the Scouts Canada programming, your children are having scouting adventures that they will remember. Your children do not have to be a member of the scout group to participate, but the program will be divided into sections based on beavers, cubs, and scouts. This is made available so participating Scouters can focus on the sessions offered. There is pick up at lunch so you can spend time with each other. Scouts plan a canoe expedition or backpacking adventure during the week.

Community

There are many ways to network, not just in sessions. We have opened a cantina for everyone including those spouses who are not scouters and are caring for young children. Open during the day, it becomes a hub to hang out and meet scout families from all over. At night there are movies for everyone.

Most nights there is a formal campfire for everyone to attend, to be able to share songs, skits, and cheers. Coming and going to the campfire site gets you visiting with everyone at the camp.

There is a break in the program on Wednesday called Family Day. It can be a day of rest, to stock up on groceries or do laundry. Spend time with your family and use the climbing wall, take in a day of sailing, or just take off to the mountains or Drumheller. There will be TEDscout talks and an annual community potluck.

All in all, this is not just a training event but a great camping experience for your whole family.

Registration begins May 15, 2019. For more information please contact Gerald Francis at contra232@hotmail.com or beverly.bridger@scouts.ca . Go to www.albertascouters.ca/ for more detail on the sessions available.

About FTE

Indaba sessions have been part of Scouting since the 1950s and Scouters from all over the world participate in these events. Baden Powell introduced the event as a way to exchange ideas about scouting, to make it better and grow the movement. With the same vision, the two Councils created this annual event, dubbed FTE, to share resources and support their volunteer members in providing high-quality workshop that enables Scouters to improve their knowledge and skill set to offer amazing programs that aligns with the 5 principals of the Scouts Canada programming and ensure the safety of all, Scouters and youth.

For more information please visit:

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