Recreation

For recreation we offer a wide variety of activities including: archery, riflery, sailing, funyaks, boat rides, swimming, sports and games, pedal boats, fishing, and much more.

“So many of my students have never gotten to spend any real time in the outdoors and you can see in their eyes that they are completely fascinated from the moment they arrive at Camp Chandler”- Teacher in Montgomery County Schools System

Program Options

We offer many options teachers can choose from to get the most out of the Outdoor Education experience:

- A three day/two-night program
- A two day/one-night program
- A one day program with or without lunch
- Teacher in-services and Retreats
- Recreation Days

For Overnights Camp Chandler Offers:

Heated and Cooled Accommodations complete with: kitchens, televisions, fireplaces, and beds for 150 people.

It’s a quick trip from Montgomery. . .Only 30 Minutes and Bus Rental is Available through the YMCA!!!

Located in the heart of Alabama, Camp Chandler is a quick trip from many locations. Check out the approximate drive times for your area:

- Montgomery: 30 minutes
- Birmingham: 1 hour 15 minutes
- Atlanta: 2 hours 30 minutes
- Columbus: 1 hour 30 minutes
- Mobile: 2 hours 45 minutes
- Huntsville: 3 hours 30 minutes
- Auburn: 45 minutes
- Dothan: 2 hours
- Panama City: 3 hours 30 minutes
- Tuscaloosa: 2 1/2 hours

For More Information Contact:

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Montgomery, AL 36102
(334)269-4362 or www.campchandler.org
email: ymcacampchandler@mindspring.com

Wilderness “Y” Outdoor Education Program At Camp Chandler

Legacy
Our Mission

The mission of Camp Chandler Outdoor Education is to provide a comprehensive outdoor classroom program in an atmosphere where children will develop a more complete understanding of the total educational curriculum and an appreciation of the outdoors. Students will develop leadership abilities, and teamwork skills through hands-on experiences and interactions with the environment, as they participate in character building activities.

"Outdoor Education is a completely different type of learning for these kids*-Principal from Montgomery Public School System.

Objectives:

-To enrich and reinforce the classroom curriculum with hands-on learning experiences.
-To create an understanding of the relationships and responsibilities between man and his environment.
-To develop self-confidence, teamwork, leadership, and communication.

Program Planning

Our program is a cooperative effort of: camp staff, teachers, and parents. Members of the Wilderness Y staff will come to your school to meet and plan an entire program designed to specifically fulfill a class’s specific educational and recreational needs. Programs can be planned for 1, 2, or 3 day stays with overnight accommodations and meals available. Our program can be adapted to fit to suit any grade level or curriculum. Our staff will even visit your school to put on an in-class presentation or a teacher in-service.

Curriculum & Course Offerings

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“Learning by doing” is at the core of the Wilderness Y philosophy.

“Coming to Camp Chandler was one of the best decisions I ever made for my class”- Teacher from Dozier Elementary School.