

Operation Purple Camps - What's Operation Purple® Camp, and why is it PURPLE?



That's a great question, we're glad you asked! At OPC, we offer military kids a FREE WEEK of camp where they connect with other kids, just like them. And purple happens to be the perfect mix of Army green, Coast Guard blue, Air Force Blue, Marine Corps Red, and Navy blue. In the military world, purple symbolizes all who serve, and at our

Association, we know families serve, too! **Registration Opens on 5 March!**

Does your family have a service member returning from a deployment, gearing up to deploy, or finding a new normal after an injury? Let us help your child prepare and cope. When your military kid attends Operation Purple Camp (OPC), they'll thrive in an environment with fully trained counselors and camp staff experienced in helping children adapt and overcome the stressors of military life.

Operation Purple Camp has served nearly 60,000 military kids since its inception in 2004, and the memories made last a lifetime. You'll never forget the pride on their face when they return home from camp, and they'll never forget this amazing experience. Registration is open now. To learn more or register for camps, go to: <http://www.militaryfamily.org/kids-operation-purple/camps/>

Operation We are here - Military Kids Summer Camps



Operation We Are Here is a wonderful resource for the Military Community and Military Supporters. For an extensive listing of Free (or discounted) camps and activities for military children and teenagers, visit <http://www.operationwearehere.com/MilitaryChildrenCamps.html>

Air Force Reserve/Air National Guard Teen Leadership Summits 2018



The *Air Force Reserve/Air National Guard Teen Leadership Summit* is a week-long camp for 14-18 year old dependent teens of current Air Force Reserve or Air National Guard military members. Teens will focus on leadership development and self-confidence, learn about programs and services available to AF dependents, and build an appreciation for and sense of belonging to the AF community. They will be given a voice to inform AF senior leadership of their top issues as AF dependents.

At both Summits, leadership classes will be taught throughout the week and teens will learn about the mission of the AFR and ANG. Summits also include military traditions, community service projects, musical performances, and environmental education classes.

<http://www.georgia4h.org/afrangteensummit/>

Classic Teen Leadership Summit - Nestled in a valley of the Chattahoochee National Forest, Wahsega 4-H Center hosts the Classic Teen Leadership Summit. High adventure activities such

as high ropes, zip line canopy tour, white-water rafting, hiking, fishing, archery, survival classes, and more. Ages 14-18. Dahlonega, GA July 8-13, 2018

<http://www.georgia4h.org/afrangteensummit/ClassicSummit.html>

Adventure Teen Leadership Summit - Bordering Rocky Mountain National Park, Cheley Colorado Camps is a family owned and operated summer camp. Daily adventures include hiking, intense mountain biking, horseback riding, horse colt training, arts & crafts, woodworking, technical climbing, and archery. Ages 14-18. Estes Park, CO August 6-11, 2018

Joint Reserve Component Teen Leadership Summit 2018 – 17-22 Jun 2017, Wahsega 4-H Center, Dahlonega, Georgia. This 6-day, 5-night experience offers teens an opportunity to grow and develop not only in their own leadership abilities, but also as reserve component military youth. Reserve component teens will experience high adventure elements including a climbing wall, rappelling down a rock-face, whitewater rafting, and other high-rope elements. Teens will have opportunities to meet other military youth from around the globe and share experiences while making new friends. The objective of this summit is to introduce military teens to not only their parent's military service branch, but also to the growing joint nature of their work. Ages 14-18. To register or learn more, visit <http://www.georgia4h.org/jointreservesummit/>

Camp Corral



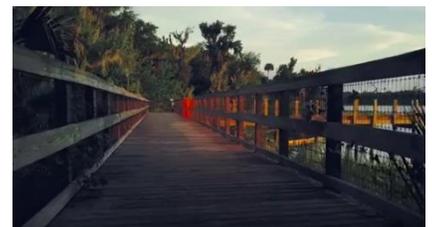
Camp Corral is a free, one-of-a-kind summer camp for children of wounded, disabled or fallen military service members. Since its founding, in 2011 as a one camp pilot program, *Camp Corral* has grown over 700%. Over 6,500 children have been served and the program has expanded to 23 camps in 19 states. Although any child from a military family is eligible, registration priority is given to children of wounded, disabled or fallen military service members. To see a listing of camps or register, go to <http://www.campcorral.org>

Florida Water Adventure Camp

Open to all branches, adventure through the great Suwannee River, swamps, sloughs and crystal clear springs on team adventures that will absolutely amaze the adventurer in all of us. This camp will bring you to beautiful Florida parks and river camps. Learn survival skills, teambuilding and leadership skills that will follow you through life.

This camp adventure combines water, problem solving and thirty-six military teens who will build skills in kayaking, hiking, primitive survival, and snorkeling among some of the United States' greatest parks. Learn more at

<http://georgia4h.org/jointreservesummit/floridacamp.html>



Purdue Extension Military Teen Adventure Camps



Would you like to spend time whitewater rafting, hiking, rock climbing, winter camping, backpacking, exploring the environment, running ropes courses, or practicing wilderness skills? What if you could do these activities with other military youth just like you?

Military teens (14-18 years old of Active Duty, Guard, Reserve, and Retired personnel) will have an opportunity to participate in adventure camps at little to no cost. These high energy, high adventure, and high experience camps are planned across the United States from Washington to New York and the states in between. This is the perfect chance for you to experience the outdoors as you never have before!

Each camp offers a unique outdoor experience that will allow you to build your leadership, self-confidence, and teamwork skills while engaging with the outdoors. Camps have funding available to assist with transportation costs. Camps for youth with special needs (mental, physical, and emotional) are planned in New Hampshire. Opportunities to camp as a family are available in Kentucky. There is something for everyone! Learn about various locations at:

<https://ag.purdue.edu/extension/adventurecamps/Pages/camps-by-location.aspx>

Air Force Camps



A number of residential, specialty, and summit camp opportunities are available for dependents of active duty military living on an Air Force/Joint Base

installation, Air Force retired military, Air Force civilian employees, Air National Guard and Air Force Reserve. Air Force Child and Youth Programs works with many partner organizations to provide a variety of camping experiences.

Space Camp - At this six day residential camp 12-18 year olds experience simulated Space Shuttle missions, training simulators, rocket building and launches, scientific experiments, lectures, and more. Participants are selected through a competitive application process. Find out more camp features at <http://www.spacecamp.com>

Teen Leadership Camp - Teen Leadership Camp provides rising high school sophomores through seniors, a week-long residential experience that aids them in developing lifelong leadership and life skills through teamwork, physical activity, community service, college prep, public speaking, and more. Participants are selected through a competitive application process. <http://www.myairforcelifelife.com/Youth/TeenLeadershipCamp.aspx>

Teen Aviation - This camp is an opportunity for teens interested in attending the United States Air Force Academy or general aviation. Aviation Camp is held annually. Flying in a Cessna 145 is one of many highlights of this camp. Teens entering their sophomore or junior year of high-school are selected through a competitive application process. <http://www.myairforcelifelife.com/Youth/TeenAviation.aspx>

Air Force Academy Summer Seminar - Rising Juniors are also encouraged to apply for the United States Air Force Academy's Summer Seminar. The application is typically due the fall of a student's junior year in high school. This fun yet demanding program will give you a solid understanding of the challenges and rewards of life as a cadet, as well as insights into what it means to serve as an officer in the United States Air Force.

<https://www.academyadmissions.com/admissions/outreach-programs/summer-seminar/>

