



Southwest Virginia Community College

Adventure Ready

Basic Outdoor Skills Camp for Youth

Location: Davis Hall Room 122
Date/Time: June 22—June 25, 2026
 8:00am to 4:00pm

Cost: \$40.00 (Includes Camp T-shirt)

Camp Description

A four-day summer camp for youth (Age 9 to 13), focusing on the skills needed for outdoor recreation activities. The participant will receive instruction in basic outdoor skills, the use of map and compass, GPS units, career opportunities and educational requirements. Participants will learn aspects of safety, excursion preparation, basic skills needed for the activity participation, and career opportunities that exist related to natural resources in Southwest Virginia. The participant will illustrate the principles of Leave No Trace, the importance of protecting the environment, and demonstrate their application while participating in a variety of outdoor recreation activities. In summary, we will inspire responsible outdoor participation and build strong community involvement and support. Participants will gain life experiences, knowledge, and skills to enjoy their own adventures leading to an active lifestyle and becoming ambassadors for the promotion of outdoor recreation. A field trip will be included as part of the camp experience.

Basic Outdoor Skills

- Using a Map, Compass, and GPS
- Land Navigation with Compass and GPS
- Geocaching with GPS
- Principles of Leave No Trace
- Trip Preparation and Planning (10 Essentials and Rule of 3)
- Tying Knots and Knot Applications (Making a Survival Bracelet)
- Fundamentals of Archery
- Pitching a Tent and Constructing Shelter
- Water Purification and Fire Building
- Wilderness Survival and Finding North

Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4
<p>On-Campus 8:00 Introduction and Welcome. 8:15 to 9:30 Session 1 Basic Outdoor Skills: Preparation, Planning, & Gear; 10 Essentials, Rule of 3 9:45 to 12:00 Session 2 Basic Outdoor Skills: Map & Compass, Parts & Navigation 12:00-12:45 Lunch (Career Opportunities) 1:00 – 3:55 Session 3 Basic Outdoor Skills: Map & Compass Continued. Finding North & Fire Building 4:00 Dismiss for the Day.</p>	<p>On-Campus 8:00 Getting Ready for the Day. 8:15 to 9:30 Session 1 Basic Outdoor Skills: Principles of Leave Not Trace 9:45 to 12:00 Session 2 Basic Outdoor Skills: GPS, Land Navigation, and Geocaching. 12:00-12:45 Lunch (Education Pathways) 1:00 – 3:55 Session 3 Basic Outdoor Skills: Water & Water Purification Knots and Knot Applications 4:00 Dismiss for the Day.</p>	<p>On-Campus 8:00 Getting Ready for the Day. 8:15 to 12:00 Session 1 Archery Fundamentals 12:00-12:45 Lunch (Davis Hall Programs) 1:00 – 3:55 Session 2 Basic Outdoor Skills: Wilderness Survival Pitching a Tent and Tarp Shelter Making a Survival Bracelet 4:00 Dismiss for the Day.</p>	<p>Field Trip 8:00 Getting Ready for the Day. 8:30 to 3:30 Lake Witten: Kayaking, hiking, geocaching Basic Outdoor Skills: Kayaking and Paddling Throwing a rope bag 4:00 Award Certificate and Dismiss for the Day.</p>

2026 SWCC Adventure Ready Registration Form

The SWCC Adventure Ready Program will be from June 22 – June 25, 2026 and is for participants age 9 to 13. Please complete and return this registration form along with the \$40.00 registration fee by May 15, 2026. Space is limited, register today!

General Information

Name of Participant:	
Name of Parent/Guardian:	
Home Address:	
City:	
State:	
Zip:	
Phone Number:	
Emergency Number:	
Contact Email:	
Gender:	
Birthdate (MM/DD/YYYY):	
Shirt Size (S, M, L, XL, XXL):	
Allergies:	

Signatures

Participant Signature:	
Parent/Guardian Signature:	
Date:	

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Printed Name of Subject Photographed:	
Date:	
Parent/Guardian Signature:	
Date:	

Return Completed Form To

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