Aboriginal Youth Summer Program
at McMaster University!
Parent/Guardian Guide

Please read carefully!

**Busing:**

- Please note the bus stop locations, pick-up and drop-off times in the chart below. Arrange to be at a stop location **10** minutes before Pick-Up Time. The bus is on a schedule and will not wait if you are late.
- Campers will be greeted by a bus monitor at the bus stop and then by Venture Staff upon arrival at McMaster University.

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<th>New Credit Bus</th>
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<td>Address</td>
<td>659 New Credit Road, Hagersville</td>
<td>1772 4th Line, Oshweken</td>
<td>2120 Cayuga Road, Oshweken</td>
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<td>Pick-Up Time</td>
<td>9:00 a.m.</td>
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<td>Drop-Off Time</td>
<td>3:50 p.m.</td>
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**Non-Bus Campers:**

- Please park your vehicle at Parking Lot I (see attached map).
- **Monday morning only:** Walk your child to the JOHN HODGENS ENGINEERING BUILDING (JHE) located across the road from Parking Lot I for registration.
- Drop-off and pick-up will occur behind Parking Lot I (see attached map) at the “BIG TREE”.
- Drop-off at the “BIG TREE” is from 9:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
- Pick-up at the “BIG TREE” is at 3:00 p.m.
- **When picking up your child you MUST show photo ID to their instructor and initial the attendance sheet every day.**
- In cases of rain or extreme weather conditions, you can drop off and pick up your child at the entrance of the JOHN HODGENS ENGINEERING BUILDING (JHE) where registration is Monday morning.

**Alternate Pick-up Person:**

- If anyone is picking up your child whose name does not appear on the registration form (even the child’s other parent), a general waiver form must be filled out and returned to us. See attached.
Attendance:

- Attendance is taken daily. If your child will be late or absent for any reason, you must contact us at 905-525-9140 ext. 24906.

Important Reminders:

- No food with peanuts or traces of nuts permitted
- No valuables such as mp3 players or video games are permitted, as Venture will not be responsible for any losses or theft that may occur.
- **Venture t-shirts, nametags and closed toe shoes must be worn every day for safety reasons.**
- Bring a water bottle, sunscreen, a hat, etc. for outdoor activities.
- Write your child’s full name on his/her belongings (backpack, hoodie, etc.)
- Venture maintains a zero tolerance policy towards inappropriate behavior in the classroom. In the case of repeated or severe incidents involving your child, you may be asked to come and pick them up from camp.

Lab Rules:

- Throughout the week every class will be completing various projects in Venture’s Lab. Safety rules must be followed in order for each camper to be able to participate:
  1) Long pants must be worn to enter the lab (simply pack a pair of long pants in their backpack at all times).
  2) Running shoes only (these are mandatory for all activities for safety reasons).
  3) Long hair must be tied back.
  4) No hats are permitted in the lab.
  5) All instructions from staff members must be followed or campers may not have the opportunity to participate in lab activities.
- Campers who are not prepared to follow these rules will not be able to participate in the lab activities, for their own safety.

Snack & Lunch:

- Campers will be provided with lunch and a snack each day. Any further snacks that the camper may pack must be completely peanut-trace free.
- If your child has any dietary restrictions please contact us at (905) 525-9140 ext. 24906 or email vespi@mcmaster.ca.
Important Map for Parents/Guardians who are providing their own transportation:

Parking, JOHN HODGENS ENGINEERING BUILDING (JHE) & “Big Tree”
This form provides parents with the opportunity to identify special pick-up information, leaving early for doctor/dentist appointments, walking home or other instructions.

**Camper Name:** ________________________________

**Grade:** ________

**Program:**
- [ ] Aboriginal Youth Summer Camp – Week 1 (July 11\(^{th}\) to July 15\(^{th}\))
- [ ] Aboriginal Youth Summer Camp – Week 2 (July 25\(^{th}\) to July 29\(^{th}\))
- [ ] Aboriginal Youth Summer Camp – Week 3 (August 2\(^{nd}\) to August 5\(^{th}\))
- [ ] Aboriginal Youth Summer Camp – Week 4 (August 8\(^{th}\) to August 12\(^{th}\))

**Parent/Guardian Name:** ________________________________

Specify All Individuals below who are authorized to sign-out your child from camp (including Parents/Account holders/Grandparents):

Name (First & Last) ________________________________ Relationship to Child: ________________

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Please Describe the reason for the waiver (be specific with dates/times):

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**Parent/Guardian Signature:** ________________________________

**Dated:** ____________________________