

Value Statements

Camp Fire USA makes these commitments to Alaska's youth and families, the communities we serve, our staff and to each other.

Camp Fire USA:

- Builds caring relationships.
- Provides Alaska's youth with positive experiences which promote healthy life choices.
- Embraces diversity and inclusiveness in all of its endeavors.
- Provides outdoor programs which foster competence, stewardship, and joy with the natural world.
- Strives towards excellence through innovation.
- Operates quality programs which reflect best practices.
- Acts as a trustworthy organization that ensures experiences which are safe, secure and dependable.

Mission Statement

We build caring, confident youth and future leaders.

Vision Statement

Every child will have an opportunity to discover the best in themselves and others in a fun and safe environment.

we're moving, effective 9/1/2006



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Camp Fire's Before & After-School Child Care!



Today's kids. Tomorrow's leaders.

"My kids love coming to Camp Fire. They never want to go home. They love the staff. I think Camp Fire helped my kids speak up for themselves and become more outgoing."

-Camp Fire Parent

Abbott Loop	Gladys Wood	North Star	Russian Jack
Airport Heights	Government Hill	Nunaka Valley	Sand Lake
Alpenglow	Homestead	Ocean View	Scenic Park
Chinook	Huffman	O'Malley	Spring Hill
Chugach Optional	Inlet View	Polaris K-12	Susitna
Chugiak	Klatt	Ravenwood	Trailside
Denali	Lake Otis	Rogers Park	

279-3551
www.campfireak.org



CALL FOR AVAILABILITY! Some schools may have a wait list.

Camp Fire USA Frequently Asked Questions

Who is Camp Fire?

Camp Fire serves more than 5000 youth annually through four programs: before- and after-school child care, summer camp, community centers and the rural program which serves remote villages. The agency was founded in 1910 by Charlotte and Luther Gulick, M.D., as the first nonsectarian organization for girls in the United States. In 1975 membership was expanded to include boys and today, 50 percent of Camp Fire participants are male. Although the Alaska Council was founded in 1961, Camp Fire first had a presence in the state in 1913 and has provided before- and after-school child care programs for 25 years. All programs provide a safe, nurturing, and enriching environment in which youth grow and learn. Daily, when school is in session more than 1000 children attend before- and after-school child care.

What will my child experience in a before- and after-school program?

When you visit one of Camp Fire's school age child care programs you might see kids playing in the gym, doing art projects, playing cards or taking advantage of some quiet time to read or do homework. If you stay a little longer, you will see kids learning to have caring relationships with each other and with adults. You'll notice how they are learning to respect and challenge themselves. Camp Fire staff are there to help them become caring, confident youth and future leaders.

What are the qualifications of Camp Fire staff?

Municipality of Anchorage licensing regulations require 24 hours of training per year for a child care staff. At Camp Fire, child care site directors receive an average of 41 hours of advanced training annually. Additionally, 80% of full-time staff have more than five years experience in youth development, 50% of part-time staff are currently enrolled as full time students at UAA or APU, and 38% of full-time staff have been with the agency more than five years.



"Camp Fire has given my son chances to help out and show leadership skills."
- Camp Fire Parent

Are Camp Fire programs licensed?

Yes, all Camp Fire before- and after-school programs are fully licensed under the Municipality of Anchorage Child Care Regulations.

What days and hours do programs operate?

During the school year programs operate Monday – Friday on regular school days. Before-school care begins as early as 7:00 a.m. and after-school care ends at 6:00 p.m. in Anchorage and 6:30 p.m. in Eagle River and Chugiak. Child care is also provided on in-service days, conference days, snow days and selected school vacation days and holidays.

How do I register my child?

To learn about the registration process call Camp Fire at 279-3551 or visit www.campfireak.org. On-line registration is not available. Registrations are taken on a first come, first served basis and some locations may experience a wait list.

What is the cost of attending?

For your convenience, there are a variety of enrollment plans available. For a complete description of all fees and enrollment plans, and instructions on how to register, visit www.campfireak.org or call 279-3551.

Monthly Plan 13+ days per month	Before & After School	After School Only	Before School Only
1st child	\$375	\$355	\$215
Additional child(ren) each	\$355	\$335	\$205

Half-Month Plan 6 - 12 days per month	Before & After School	After School Only	Before School Only
1st child	\$229	\$213	\$145
Additional child(ren) each	\$204	\$193	\$135

Quarter-Month Plan 0 - 5 days per month	Before & After School	After School Only	Before School Only
1st child	\$130	\$125	\$83
Additional child(ren) each	\$120	\$115	\$78

There is an annual \$35 per child non-refundable, non-transferable registration fee.

Is financial assistance available?

Camp Fire accepts all types of subsidy programs. Through the Municipality of Anchorage Day Care Assistance may be available. For information call 343-6700. Camp Fire provides limited financial assistance to qualified families. Financial assistance is based on available funds. Call the registrar at 279-3551 for more information or an application.

How can I learn more about before- and after-school programs?

Visit www.campfireak.org, email schoolcare@campfireak.org or call 279-3551. Arrangements can be made for you and your child to visit a program.

