



BIRCH CREEK SERVICE RANCH

Camper Application – Summer 2011

Application deadline is March 15. All complete applications received by that date will be considered. Applicants will be notified of acceptance by April 15, 2011. Space is limited. Not all applicants will be able to attend the Ranch. If your application is not accepted this year we would encourage you to apply again next year.

Camper Information:

_____ Name	_____ Birth date (MM/DD/YY)		
_____ School	_____ Grade	_____ T-shirt size	
_____ email	_____ cell		

Ranch Session Desired:

- Girls Session 3 (AUG 5 – AUG 19) 12-15 year old girls \$1,200
- Boys Session 1 (JUN 13– JUL 6) 12-15 year old boys \$1,500
- Boys Session 3 (JUL 11– AUG 3) 12-15 year old boys \$1,500

Father's Information

_____ Father's Name	_____ Email Address		
_____ Address	_____ City	_____ State	_____ Zip
_____ Phone Number(s)	_____ cell		

Is this your mailing address? Yes No

Mother's Information

_____ Mother's Name	_____ Email Address		
_____ Address	_____ City	_____ State	_____ Zip
_____ Phone Number(s)	_____ cell		

Is this your mailing address? Yes No

What is your family income level?

- under \$40,000
- Between \$40,000-70,000
- Between \$70,000-100,000
- over \$100,000

*This information helps us to qualify for grants, discover outcomes based on long-term statistical studies, and award need-based scholarships. Information will remain confidential.

Camper Questionnaire and Agreement - Summer 2011

**The remainder of this Camper's Application is to be filled out by the applicant him/herself.
Parents must not fill out this section of the application for the applicant.*

What are some things you do well?

What is the hardest thing that you have done during the past year?

Do you have friends and/or relatives planning on attending the Ranch with you? If so, list their names:

Are you willing to come to the Ranch even if the applications for your friends are not accepted?

Are you willing to accept whatever yurt assignment is given you even if it is not with your friends?

Are you willing to work cheerfully every day at the Ranch at whatever assignment is given to you?

Are you willing to go on the backpack and overnight hikes even though they will be hard?

Will you control your temper and language while at the Ranch so that you don't swear or fight?

Will you agree to not deface any Ranch property and to treat others with respect?

Do you commit to staying for the duration of the ranch session?

Other than the ranch what other activities do you have planned for this summer?

What are some of your favorite hobbies, activities or special interests?

Write a paragraph on the back about why you want to come to the Ranch, what you hope to get out of the experience, and what you think your contribution to the Ranch and others will be:

Camper's Signature

Date

Camper Application Checklist - Summer 2011

Your completed application must be submitted no later than March 15, 2011. In order for application to be complete it must include all items listed below. Please complete the following items and mail to the address below:

- Camper Application / Camper Questionnaire and Agreement
- Parent Questionnaire
- Parent Affidavit and Agreement
- Recent Doctor's Affidavit
- Current tetanus shot
- Insurance Card Photocopy
- Deposit (\$100)
- Recent Photo

Mail to:

**Birch Creek Ranch
PO Box 423
Spring City, UT 84662**

Parent Questionnaire – Summer 2011

*We are anxious to have participants come to the ranch who want to be there. Please do not pressure your child in any way to complete this application. Please complete and send this form, a recent photo, a current tetanus shot, insurance card photocopy, a liability waiver, Parents' Agreement and Affidavit and a recent Doctor's Affidavit to **Birch Creek Service Ranch, POBox 423, Spring City, Utah 84662 before March 15, 2011** along with a deposit check in the amount of \$100 made payable to the "Birch Creek Service Ranch." If the application is accepted the rest of the fee is due in full no later than May 1st. The total fee for the boys session is \$1500; for the girls session it's \$1200. Your deposit will be refunded if the application is not accepted, however if you cancel, you agree to forfeit your deposit. Only complete applications will be considered. Please be sure to fill in all of the boxes on the checklist at the bottom of the Camper Application to ensure completeness.*

Parent's Name:

Parent's Name:

Child's Name:

Will you need financial assistance with tuition? If so, how much?

Will your child require free transportation between Salt Lake City and the Ranch?

Do you authorize your child to participate in rock climbing and rappelling?

Why are you interested in having your child participate in the Birch Creek Ranch program, and what do you hope he/she will gain from the experience?

How would you characterize your current relationship with your child?

Is there any additional important information to be considered in evaluating your child's application?

Please provide information regarding your child's health as requested below:

– General health:

– Major illnesses:

– Past injuries:

Treatment for A.D.D., depression, anxiety, or eating disorders (specify):

Please describe any limitations to your child's physical activity:

Do you have health insurance that will cover your child while at the ranch?

Medical insurance carrier

Policy Number

Carrier's address

Carrier's phone

Name of employer providing insurance (MM/DD/YY)

Insured employee's name Parent date of birth

****Please attach a photocopy of your insurance card.***

How did you hear about the ranch?

Names and ages of brothers and sisters:

Doctor's Affidavit – Summer 2011

**The application will not be accepted without a signed doctor's affidavit*

I have recently examined the young person named in this application. With the exception noted below, I certify that medically he/she should be allowed to participate in all normal Ranch activities which include sports, ranch/farm work, swimming, mountain biking, hiking, backpacking at high altitudes, horseback riding, etc.

Exceptions/Limitations:

Doctor's Name (**please print**)

Work Phone

Doctor's Signature Date

Parent's Affidavit and Agreement – Summer 2011

I/we, _____ and, _____, the parent(s) or legal guardian(s) of, _____ do hereby acknowledge that I/we have voluntarily applied for my/our child to attend the Birch Creek Service Ranch (herein referred to variously as "the Ranch," and/or "the Birch Creek Ranch"), and to become a member of the Ranch Association while at the Ranch, and for him/her to engage in activities conducted by the Ranch. The Ranch as referred to herein specifically includes employees, officers, directors, volunteers, and agents of the Ranch and those from whom the Ranch leases real property and/or livestock, including their contractors, subcontractors, employees, and agents. **Initial here:** _____

In the event of an injury to or illness of my/our child necessitating medical care, I/we authorize the Ranch to obtain said care and to act in my/our behalf in making decisions in regard to such care. I/we agree to be financially responsible for the costs of such care including the cost of any medications or special transportation required. **Initial here:** _____

I/we understand that a tetanus booster shot within 5 years prior to attending the Ranch is mandatory for all participants, and I/we certify that my/our child had such a shot on _____ (date).

My/our child is allergic to the following foods, materials, plants, medicines, etc. **Initial here:** _____ (please list)

I/we understand that the Ranch program is not a rehabilitation program for young people with moderate to serious behavioral or emotional problems, and that any participant involved in fighting, theft, shoplifting, or drug, tobacco or alcohol use, or other similar acts may, at the discretion of the Ranch director, be sent home at the parents' expense and the Ranch will have no obligation to refund any "unused" portion of the tuition. **Initial here:** _____

I/we certify that we have completely, accurately, and truthfully provided all information contained in this application regarding my/our child including the following:

- Is your child currently involved with the use of drugs, tobacco, or alcohol?
- Has your child previously been involved with the use of drugs, tobacco, or alcohol?
- Is your child now, or has he/she previously been involved with a professional to resolve or stabilize behavioral or emotional problems other than improper use of drugs or alcohol?
- Has your child been arrested, cited, or fined for vandalism, theft, burglary, or a similar offense? (If you answered "yes" to any of the above please provide a complete explanation by separate letter.)

I/we are aware that attending the ranch and participating in its activities involves the risk of property loss and or damage, personal injury (physical or emotional), or even death.

I/we voluntarily accept all such risks arising from my/our child's attendance and participation at the Ranch, and agree to indemnify, defend, and hold the Ranch harmless from all such damage or loss. I am/we are also aware that the Ranch staff consists primarily of young men and women who have not had extensive training as counselors and I/we will not hold them to a high standard of care and/or training. **Initial here:** _____

As lawful consideration for my/our child being permitted to attend the Ranch and to participate in its activities, I/we do hereby agree that I/we, my/our child, my/our heirs, personal representative, and assigns will not make a claim against or sue the Ranch for any injury (including fatal injuries) or damage or loss arising from the negligence or other acts, however caused, of or attributed to the Ranch. In addition, I/we hereby release and discharge the Ranch from all actions, claims or demands, that I/we, my/our child, my/our heirs, personal representatives, or assigns now have or may hereafter have for injuries or property damage or loss resulting from attending the Ranch or participating in its activities. I/we agree that this release includes injury or damage or loss caused in whole or in part by the negligence of the Ranch. This Agreement does not release the Ranch from liability arising from its acts of gross negligence (wanton and willful misconduct). **Initial here:** _____

I/we have carefully read every part of this application. I/we understand that this Application, and Parent's

Affidavit and Agreement is (1) a representation of various important facts, (2) a broad release of liability,

and (3) a general promise not to sue or to make a claim. I am/we are aware that this is a contract between me/us and the Ranch with important legal implications. **Initial here:** _____
(In order for this form to be complete each space provided must be initialed or filled out. Signature and initials are required of each living parent and/or guardian. If only one signature is provided, unless another explanation is attached hereto, the signing parent or guardian represents to the Ranch that the other parent or guardian is deceased.)

Parent / Guardian Signature Date

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I understand that the purpose of Birch Creek Ranch is, among other things, to provide a challenging experience for my child. I understand that while my child is at Birch Creek, he or she may feel tired, homesick, or challenged physically or emotionally. I understand that the length of the program is central to the experience. I committ to encouraging my child to participate to the fullest in Birch Creek's programming. I understand that by sending my child to Birch Creek I am committing to encourage them to participate in the programs, even though they may prove difficult.

*At Birch Creek our staff tries to maintain an open communication with parents as necessary.

Parent / Guardian Signature Date