

This year's Camp Lead program is called The Amazing Chase! Each day, Campers "travel" to a new location, collaborating to help creatively solve community problems such as a city mayor being kidnapped, or a delivery truck failing to perform its duty. Campers work in varied teams throughout the week to learn more about their unique strengths and abilities as a leader, as well as how to interact with peers who may operate in a completely different way!

Day 1- Ohio **Theme: Forming & First Impressions**

The first day of Camp is rooted in laying the groundwork for the entire week, including exploration of personal mindset, as well as the essential building blocks needed when a team comes together. A mix of high energy activities to excite Campers like our Concession Stampede are interspersed with individual moments of reflection, like during 'What do I bring?' when Campers share their unique strengths.

Objectives:

- Choosing the proper mindset- Are you a learner, vacationer, or prisoner?
- How to make a good first impression (in less than 7 seconds)
- Thinking outside of the box- creative problem solving & idea generation
- What type of personality do you have? (Are you a Driver, Amiable, Expressive, or Analytical)
- Introduction to GO SMART Goals: writing goals down, overcoming obstacles, making them 'Specific' enough that you know your plan of action- *how* you'll tackle your goal
- Introduction to Stages of Team Dynamics: "Forming" a team with introductions & learning team strengths, and "Re-forming" with different group formation changes.

Day 2- Missouri **Theme: Keeping an Open Mind; Storming; Building on GO SMART Goals**

The second day of Camp Lead builds on the concepts introduced yesterday. Campers experience changes in group make-up and learn how to navigate the brainstorming process in activities like 'Saving the Day' in which they construct a duct tape 'marker device' to write out key words to save the St. Louis Mayor.

Objectives:

- Continuing the Stages of Team Dynamics: "Storming" – brainstorming ideas with teammates
- Keeping an Open Mind- respecting different opinions and exploring new methods to success
- Ensuring Goals are 'Measurable'- knowing how well you did by adding a metric, 'Achievable' for you in your current circumstance, and 'Timed' with a deadline in mind!

Day 3- Wyoming **Theme: Norming; Realistically High; Effective Communication**

By the middle of the week, Campers have become more comfortable with one another and are beginning to recognize their leadership skills within and in their teammates. Day 3 includes activities which challenge every personality type in a different way, such as 'Knowledge Base' a partner-based memory exercise, and 'Old Faithful Landing' which involves setting realistically high goals to accomplish the challenging task of slowly sinking a plastic egg.

Objectives:

- Continuing the Stages of Team Dynamics: "Norming" – establishing group norms and assigning roles
- Ensuring Goals are 'Realistically High'- not impossible, but still a stretch



- Effective Communication Breakdown of meaning- 7% is your word choice, 38% tone of voice, and 55% is your non-verbal body language

Day 4- California Theme: Performing; Presentation Skills

As Camp nears its end, Campers are encouraged to begin acknowledging the leadership skills and behaviors they recognize in their peers. On this day, Campers are challenged to work both with the entire group of campers to reach 100% success on the 'Web', and also take time to affirm each Camper during 'Amazing Chase Recognition' in addition to the daily closing camp fire.

Objectives:

- Continuing the Stages of Team Dynamics: "Performing" – putting all prior stages into action to reach team success
- Recognizing leadership traits in others
- Presenting confidently to a group- monitoring effective communication skills, understanding their 'Elevator Pitch'

Day 5- Traveling back to Ohio Theme: Leadership Skills in Action

The final day of Camp Lead 2018 is one to remember! Campers spend nearly the entire day self-managing their way through various stations which incorporate all of the skills explored throughout the week. From blindfolded origami to building a balloon rocket, Campers have fun while working with a partner to crack the final code. Camp concludes with a recognition ceremony involving each Camper earning their certificate with a specific quality demonstrated throughout the week.

Objectives:

- Project management
- Mastery of self-leadership concepts reinforced throughout the week
- FUN with 14 different stations for the ultimate Amazing Chase challenge