

2026 Police Youth Live In - Little Rock

May 31st – June 5th

Ferncliff Center, Ferndale, Arkansas

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS OR GUARDIANS

What Is Police Youth Live In?

THIS PROGRAM IS SPONSORED BY THE CITY OF LITTLE ROCK POLICE DEPARTMENT.

The Police Youth Live In camp enables pre-teens ages 10-12 to have direct and positive exposure to police officers through a six-day, five-night camp experience. The camp helps open lines of communication and improves relations between the officers and young people. Everyone participates in a variety of activities including:

- Swimming, boating, archery, team-building
- Sports activities such as volleyball
- Group games, campfires
- Nature explorations, arts and crafts, and a group project
- Small group discussions on self-esteem, school, friends, prejudice, conflict resolution, alternatives to violence
- Field trips to important sites
- Demonstrations by special police units such as Canine, SWAT and Mounted patrols
- Discussions and role plays about police work and law enforcement

Lifeguards are present at all water activities and medical personnel are also present during camp.

The "Live-in" staff consists of sworn Little Rock police officers and camp counselors. Youngsters will be assigned to a room with other campers and officers with whom they will live during the six days and five nights of group activities. Family style meals are served in the dining hall. Snacks and beverages are available a number of times throughout the day. Water is always available.

WHAT IT TAKES TO ATTEND:

1. A young person age 10 – 12
2. Completed application
3. Recommendation form (telling about the child, the need, and ways the young person could benefit from the experience) from a ---
 - Teacher
 - School Counselor
 - School Principal
 - City of Little Rock Employee
 - Police officer
 - Social Service agencies (Big Brothers/Big Sisters, etc.)

Deadline for these forms to be received by the Little Rock Police Department is April 30, 2026

Return to: 10001 Kanis Road (Northwest Substation) or email: BGunn@littlerock.gov or JXSims@littlerock.gov

Campers will receive confirmation of their acceptance and a list of what to bring and instructions for transportation.

MISSION STATEMENT

To build positive relationships between youth and police through educational, recreational and positive interaction with police officers , promoting a stronger Community.