

Sacred Fire Program Calendar

Fall 2017–Summer 2018

Some dates subject to change.

Crayfish = 1st-year youth
Buckskins = 2nd-year youth
Dogwoods = 3rd-year youth

September

Tuesday, 9/15: Sacred Fire Enrollment Deadline for *all families—new and returning*.

October

Saturday, 10/7 (12:00 pm)–Sunday 10/8 (12:00 pm): Sacred Fire Campout for *Crayfish, Buckskins & Dogwoods*.

November

Saturday, 11/4 (10:00 am–4:00 pm): Adventure Day 1 for *Crayfish, Buckskins & Dogwoods*. The day is followed by a Crayfish Family Potluck Meeting (4:00–7:30 pm). A representative *Buckskin family & Dogwood family* will also choose to attend the potluck.

December

Saturday, 12/2 (10:00 am–4:00 pm): Adventure Day 2 for *Crayfish, Buckskins & Dogwoods*.

Saturday, 12/16 (3:00–9:30 pm): *Dogwoods* help organize and attend the Flying Deer Solstice Party alongside Moon Tribe (FDNC's girls' rites-of-passage program).

January & February

There are no Adventure Days during these months, but one *Crayfish family* will choose to host an informal get-together for all *Crayfish boys* at some point during this time.

March

Saturday, 3/3 (10:00 am–4:00 pm): Adventure Day 3 (aka “Father Day”—fathers attend) for *Crayfish, Buckskins & Dogwoods*. The day is followed by a Crayfish Family Potluck Meeting (4:00–7:30 pm). A representative *Buckskin family & Dogwood family* will also choose to attend the potluck.

April

Saturday, 4/7 (10:00 am–4:00 pm): Adventure Day 4 for *Crayfish, Buckskins & Dogwoods*.

May

Saturday, 5/5 (10:00 am–4:00 pm): Adventure Day 5 (aka “Uncle Day”—“uncles” attend). Immediately following drop off, *Crayfish parents* meet for a parent-organized Giveaway Planning Meeting (10:30 am–12:00 pm).

June

Saturday, 6/9 (11:00 am–5:00 pm): Mothers’ Ritual for *Crayfish, Buckskin, Dogwood & Fireboy Mothers*. This ritual is for all enrolled and graduate mothers of the entire Sacred Fire community, and is led by Sacred Fire mothers.

Saturday, 6/16 (11:00 am–4:00 pm) (date/times subject to change): *Crayfish, Buckskins, Dogwoods* help organize Flying Deer Day.

Last week in June: Initiation Week

Dogwoods arrive Monday, 6/25 (9:00 am), depart Friday, 6/29 (2:30 pm).

Buckskins arrive Tuesday, 6/26 (9:00 am), depart Friday, 6/29 (2:30 pm).

Crayfish arrive Tuesday, 6/26 (5:00 pm), depart Friday, 6/29 (2:30 pm).

July

Thursday, 7/5, 6:00–8:00 pm: Welcome Home Feast for families for 1st-, 2nd- & 3rd-year families, hosted by 3rd-year families.

Sunday, 7/22 (all day): Giveaway, hosted by 1st-year families, supported by 2nd- and 3rd-year youth.

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