



## Location

Teen Institute will be held at Garrisons campground in Steelville, Missouri. Garrisons is in a rustic setting with several activities for campers during their free time. Directions to camp will be included with confirmation of the application.

## Cost

Due to the generous sponsorship provided by the Missouri Department of Mental Health, participants can attend the 6-day camp for a \$75 registration fee before May 21, 2018. After May 21, registration is \$100. REGISTER EARLY!



## Application Deadline

The application deadline is  
June 6, 2018

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A SUMMER CAMP  
FOR DEAF AND  
HARD OF  
HEARING TEENS

June 10th-June 15th, 2018

*Success for Deaf and  
Hard of Hearing teens at  
Teen Institute!*

*Leadership, Education,  
Prevention, and  
Empowerment!*



# Teen Institute

Teen Institute (TI) is a 6-day training camp designed to teach Deaf and Hard of Hearing teens to be education and prevention advocates among their peers. Recognizing that teens influence their peers, the curriculum focuses on drug and alcohol abuse prevention, bullying awareness, and other issues critical to teenagers. Drug and alcohol abuse is a critical issue facing today's youth. Participants will leave TI equipped with the basic knowledge, skills, and understanding to work with adult sponsors to promote alcohol and drug abuse prevention in their home, school, and community. Teen Institute is a collaborative effort between DeafLEAD and the Department of Mental Health-Division of Behavioral Health



Here are just some of the activities you can expect this year:

- Swimming
- Camping
- S'mores
- Relay sports
- Dance party
- Fishing
- Meeting new friends
- Skits
- High Ropes course
- And much more!



## General sessions include:

- Bullying prevention and awareness
- Alcoholism and drug abuse prevention
- Self-esteem and peer influences
- Decision-making and conflict resolution
- Leadership and communication skills
- Using community resources

In addition to these general sessions, campers will participate in several small group meetings discussing issues such as self-esteem, communication skills, and discipline. There will be several speakers to address certain topics.



# Staff

TI recruits a number of Deaf and Hard of Hearing adults to participate in the camp. These individuals are specialists in education, prevention, social work, religion, and health care. This medley of caring and enthusiastic people ensures that campers will have excellent resources at their disposal. Among the staff are a Licensed Clinical Social Worker and a Registered Nurse.



# Participants

We are looking for students who recognize there is an alcohol and drug abuse problem and who want to become prevention advocates. If you meet these requirements, Teen Institute is right for you:

- Deaf or Hard of Hearing
- Between the ages of 13-19
- Willing to attend the duration of the camp
- Have parental consent to attend
- Want to improve leadership skills
- Have trust and respect of his/her peers
- Willing to serve as a potential resource to his/her community in promoting the prevention of substance abuse and bullying awareness
- Siblings or children of Deaf or Hard of Hearing individuals