Ironwood Tree Experience

YBS FALL CAMPOUT 2026

Catalina State Park

Gear Up and Get Ready for a 3-day & 2-night camp out experience!



Hello youth and parents! Please review this itinerary & packing list. Email Benji at benjamin@ironwoodtreeexperience.org if you have questions.

WHAT TO BRING

Please use the following list as a guide:

Day (warm weather) clothes:
- 1 pair of hiking shorts or loose field pants
- 2 short or long sleeve cotton shirts
- 1 sun hat + sunscreen
- 1 pair of closed-toe hiking shoes and socks (make sure comfortable getting wet!)

Evening (cool weather) clothes:
- 1 pair of jeans or other long pants
- 1 sweat shirt or jacket
- 1 pair of camp shoes (crocs or other close-toed shoe)
- 1 warm hat/beanie

ITE will provide the following, however if you have these items, you are encouraged to bring them:
- Field backpacks
- 2 reusable water bottles
- Flashlight or headlamp
- Sleeping bag & pad

Other
- 1 pillow if needed
- Toiletries (tooth brush/paste/hygiene products)
- 1 lunch (for Thurs only)
- Please eat breakfast at home on Tuesday morning

WHAT TO EXPECT

ITE can provide additional gear when needed, so please inform us if you need anything.

Granite Group Campground: Youth will stay at Granite Campground at Catalina State Park National. Sleeping arrangements include tents, bathrooms, and running water.

Weather: Expect cool nights and warm days with highs in the high 80s and lows in the 50s.

Food: ITE will provide all meals except Tuesdays lunch. Dietary requests will be respected and accommodated. Meals are vegetarian.

ITE Leaders: Benji Felser and Isaac Cortes alongside Taylor Wiewel (Thurs-Fri) and Eric Dhruv (Fri)

Pack a Healthy, No-Waste Lunch: Prepare a, waste-free lunch for Tuesday by using reusable containers and bags, and pack power foods that sustain energy. Whole foods burn slowly, like an oak log, not fast, like pine needles! ITE can provide PB&J supplies for youth who do not pack their own lunch.

Full participation in all activities is expected. Youth should prepare to walk, hike, explore, learn, cook, clean, & have fun!

ITINERARY

Thurs, Feb. 26th

9 AM Youth meet at ITE & get ready for the trip
11:15 AM Interns arrive at Catalina State Park
12 PM Lunch & camp set up
1 PM Games, CRiA Prep & nature exploration
5 PM Dinner, stargazing, & evening activity
9 PM Lights out

Fri, Feb. 27th

7 AM Wake up & breakfast
9:30 AM Morning Air Quality Lesson with PDEQ guest
10:30 AM River scramble
Noon Lunch at Montrose Pools
4 **PM** CRiA journalling & rest time
5 PM Dinner, stargazing, & evening activity
9 PM Lights out

Sat, Feb. 28th

7 AM Wake up & breakfast
9 AM Morning activities: CRiA groups, and camp clean up
12 PM Lunch,
12:30 PM Silent sit, reflections, thank yous, & closing circle
2 PM Arrive at ITE, de-issue gear, & clean up
4 PM Youth pickup at ITE