

Programming Schedule for El Centro Youth Center

The operating hours for El Centro Youth Center will be:

Wednesday through Friday: 3:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Saturday & Sunday: 1:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

El Centro Youth Center will be staffed, monitored, supervised and maintained by Adelante Juntos Coalition, a not for profit organization whose mission it is to “Mobilize Communities to prevent substance abuse among youth and provide families with information, education and resources that empower them to help build safe, healthy, drug-free communities.”

The primary objective of the center will be to provide recreational and a pro-social environment to the youth of the Tri-Community of Oracle, San Manuel and Mammoth. The center will be furnished with recreational equipment; e.g. pool tables, air-hockey, Electronic dart boards, and video gaming equipment and big screen televisions for movie viewing, guitars, keyboards and other musical instruments designed to help youth develop their musical interests. A music system and dance studio.

Structured programming at the center will include:

- Dance classes featuring traditional Latin dances as well as hip hop and Folklorico dancing
- Mariachi music class will be available for youth who are interested in learning to play guitar, bajo sexto and/or trumpet
- Culinary Arts class that will provide an opportunity to learn about nutrition and teach students crock pot, microwave and electric skillet cooking techniques as well as no-cook recipes.
- Monthly family nights- featuring volleyball

Annual Community Cultural events i.e. Cinco De Mayo Con Orgullo and the Easter Fiesta Blast will be celebrated at the center featuring entertainment, horseshoe tournaments and refreshments.

All youth and families wishing to use the facilities will be required to sit through a 20 minute orientation wherein the policies and rules of the center will be explained. After the orientation application for membership (which is free) will be completed and each family member wishing to use the facility will be issued a photo ID membership. This procedure is to ensure accountability and instill ownership and responsibility for every person using the center. AJC believes this procedure will motivate all to be good stewards of the facility as well as reduce any vandalism or reckless behavior that could result in damage to the facility and/or equipment, and furnishings. Everyone using the facility will be required to sign in upon each visit; to enhance safety for all youth and staff. AJC staff, trained volunteers and peer leaders will be on site at all times during operating hours. All minor children will be required to have parent/guardian permission to apply for membership and parents will be required to assume responsibility of their children at drop-off and pick-up stops.

AJC will provide a regular transportation schedule that will include stops (for pick up and drop off) for youth in Mammoth and Oracle. The tentative schedule is:

5:00 PM – Oracle @ Family Dollar Parking Lot
7:00 PM - Oracle@ Family Dollar Parking Lot
9:45 PM – Oracle @ Family Dollar Parking Lot

5:30 PM – Mammoth - Little League Field
7:30 PM – Mammoth – Little League Field
10:00 PM-Mammoth-Little League Field