World Wide Association of Specialty Programs and Schools

Endorsed by Teen Help
The World Wide Association of Specialty Programs and Schools is an Association of highly effective Residential Programs and Specialty Boarding Schools. These Programs and Schools are designed for students who are struggling in their home, school, or community. All of the Programs and Schools in the Association are independently owned and operated, yet follow the same Program model. This successful model has been developed and refined over numerous years of experience. Most Programs and Schools in the Association provide an exclusive warranty.* Parents from all of the Schools and Programs are invited to attend parent seminars sponsored by the Association, held in various locations throughout the United States. These are just a few of the reasons the Programs and Schools in this Association stand apart from all others. The individual Schools and Programs in the Association are outlined in this catalog with their unique benefits and attributes.

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Creating Family Unity through Education, Growth, and Change

**Specialty Schools:**
Specialty Schools are Boarding Schools that offer all of the components of the World Wide Association of Specialty Programs and Schools listed on pages 2& 3.

- Academy at Ivy Ridge
- Casa by the Sea
- Carolina Springs Academy
- Spring Creek Lodge Academy

**Behavior Modification Programs:**
This Program offers all of the World Wide Association components, plus additional intensive behavior modification and management.

- Dundee Ranch
- Tranquility Bay

**Treatment Facilities:**
These Programs are Residential Treatment Facilities that, in addition to all of the World Wide Association components, provide individual and group therapy as part of their standard services.

- Cross Creek Center
- Cross Creek Manor

**Program for Children:**
This program is specifically designed for children ages 7-13, and offers all of the World Wide Association of Specialty Programs and Schools’ components.

- Majestic Ranch

Psychological testing & formal therapy sessions can usually be arranged at all facilities for an additional fee.

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The Schools and Programs in the World Wide Association of Specialty Programs and Schools provide innovative and effective help for students who are struggling in their home, school, or community. They teach values, integrity, honor, and respect for authority. These Schools and Programs are specifically designed to help teens replace inappropriate attitudes, behaviors, and habits with new, productive ones.

All of the Schools and Programs in the World Wide Association of Specialty Programs and Schools provide several key components:

**Structured Environment:**
Each School and Program provides an organized and structured environment where high standards exist. Inappropriate actions and choices are confronted, given consequences, and redirected. Appropriate actions and choices are reinforced and rewarded. The Programs and Schools offer tight supervision around the clock. Each student follows a vigorous daily schedule and a firm set of rules. A merit system is used requiring each student to earn status and privileges through a standard program using a level system, based on positive behavior. As students advance, each level offers additional privileges motivating the student to work harder. The Program or School becomes the testing ground to ascertain each student’s level of commitment toward making changes.

**Seminars:**
TASKS (Teen Accountability, Self-Esteem, and Keys to Success)
A series of highly motivational “emotional growth seminars”.
Students participate in a series of seminars designed specifically for the Programs and Schools in the World Wide Association. During the TASKS seminars, teens work on specific issues such as: Accountability, honesty, integrity, trust, choices, responsibility, anger, and especially self-esteem. While the student is completing his or her series of seminars, the parents are invited to attend Parent Seminars and Parent Support Meetings held in many locations throughout the United States. The culmination of the TASKS Program is when parents and students are invited to attend two effective Parent/Child Workshops. These are designed to assist each family in rebuilding the family unit and become the foundation for the After-Care Program.

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Progressive Academic Curriculum:
Curriculum is individualized and competency based, allowing students to work at their own pace, and maximize the learning process. Students are not held back by other teens in the class, lesson plans, teachers' schedules, course offerings, or class availability. The students are tutored by a teacher and in some cases, it is possible to complete courses on an accelerated basis. Each student is assessed upon admission and then assisted in designing their specific course of study. The Academic Program is performance based; students only receive credits when it is demonstrated that the subject matter has been mastered. Junior High and High School courses are offered.

Personal Development Courses:
During the structured daily schedule, students participate in tightly-integrated Emotional Growth and Personal Development Courses. These courses effectively utilize resources such as: professional audio and video tapes, selective reading material, and daily progress review sessions. During these courses, students begin to learn what is and what isn't working in their lives and how to make necessary changes.

Activities:
On and off campus activities provide a proper balance of recreation, exercise, learning and social opportunities. Initially, all activities are on grounds. Over a period of time, teens may earn the privilege of participating in off campus activities.

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The Academy at Ivy Ridge campus was formerly a Junior College. It has over 200,000 square feet of building space consisting of classrooms, dorms, recreational areas, computer center, science labs, food services, offices, and a 30,000 volume library. It is located on 237 acres with plenty of outdoor recreational space and nature trails.

The Academy at Ivy Ridge is located in upper New York State along the St. Lawrence River and close to the Adirondack Mountains. Its remote location helps minimize inappropriate distractions, but is still only a 6-10 hour drive from many of the major cities in the Northeastern and Midwestern United States, as well as Eastern Canada.

In addition to academic curriculum, students are also taught values, integrity, honor, accountability, and respect for authority.

The Academy at Ivy Ridge provides a great location, facility, and setting for students to reach their potential. Equally important, it also has an experienced Administration and a dedicated and committed staff.

The Academy at Ivy Ridge provides a warranty and all of the services and components (outlined on pages 2& 3) required to be a member of the World Wide Association of Specialty Programs and Schools.

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Casa by the Sea is a Specialty Boarding School located just a little over 50 miles south of San Diego, California. It is located at a remote beach facility in Baja California, Mexico. The setting is beautiful, peaceful, and conducive to change.

In addition to Academic Curriculum, students are also taught values, integrity, honor, accountability, and respect for authority.

Baja, California is an excellent location for the Program because it offers the benefits of a foreign site, with easy access to the U.S. At Casa by the Sea, students are enriched and effectively impacted by a unique cultural experience in Mexico’s warm, simple surroundings. Students learn Spanish, which further enhances the process of change.

**The benefits of a foreign site are numerous.** First, the students are put into an entirely new environment, away from the negative friends and influences that have adversely affected their lives. Second, a new culture results in the teens being more teachable and open to change and direction. Third, a foreign experience helps broaden the teen’s insight, awareness and perspective. Fourth, a foreign setting is much more impacting and instills a greater appreciation for home and family. Fifth, not only do the teens get the help they need, but a valuable foreign experience that they will likely remember and appreciate the rest of their lives. Additionally, due to the greater value of the U.S. dollar in Mexico, the Program can provide its services at a significant reduction of cost to families. All of these reasons make Mexico an excellent option for teens needing to make changes in their lives.

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Nestled in the upstate farmland of South Carolina, not far from Augusta Georgia you will find the beautiful country campus of Carolina Springs Academy. Drawing upon traditional values of Southern hospitality and American nostalgia, students are taught respect for authority, integrity, honor and accountability.

The overall Mission Statement at Carolina Springs exemplifies the staffs’ commitment to excellence. It includes the determination to "serve the children in our care with love and consistency...to serve parents in restoring the family unit...and to be trustworthy and support each other in this great work".

Carolina Springs has distinguished itself in program diversity and academic excellence, "Lighting tomorrow with today" is the academic motto.

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Spring Creek Lodge Academy is a Specialty Boarding School located on 80 acres of prime forest land in Western Montana.

Spring Creek Lodge Academy has a magnificent campus with beautiful log buildings, rivaling a forest retreat. The Facility is in a remote area which minimizes distractions, while maximizing focus. Over the years, the Academy has assembled and developed a dedicated and experienced faculty and staff. Students benefit from the structured environment and an outstanding Academic Department. Spring Creek Lodge Academy enjoys a strong national reputation. In addition to Academic Curriculum, students are also taught values, integrity, honor, accountability, and respect for authority.

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Dundee Ranch
"An Environment for Change"

Academy at Dundee Ranch is located in what many have described as "the most beautiful country in the world". Costa Rica is just a short, direct, 3-hour plane ride from many major U.S. cities. Dundee Ranch Academy has a "world-class Program in a world class environment" which combine to help instill a new sense of change and awakening in all who go there. Costa Ricans enjoy one of the highest standards of living in the Americas, with free health care, public education and among the highest literacy rates in the world (92%). These humble, gracious people are, as a whole, highly educated, hard working, honest and caring. The setting is breathtaking, peaceful, safe, and a world away from the problems associated with the child's former environment.

Established in 1991 as Dundee Ranch Hotel Adventure Resort, the Program is 50 miles away from the International Airport, very near the town of Orotina and the Pacific port of Caldera. Dundee Ranch Academy is nestled amid lush gardens of tropical fruit trees, plants and flowers. Here, students' lives are forever enriched and redirected, not only by the strength of the Program design and leadership, but also by Costa Rica's unique culture and environment. Bi-lingual teachers help students learn Spanish, which further enhances the process of change while adding an important educational language component helpful in their future.

The benefits of a foreign site are numerous. Finding themselves in entirely new surroundings, teens tend to be much more teachable and open to new direction. Experience has shown that a foreign experience not only facilitates change and perspective, but also creates the kinds of memories that they are likely to appreciate the rest of their lives. Additionally, due to the greater value of the U.S. dollar, Dundee Ranch Academy can provide these valuable services at a significant reduction in cost to families.

Large sections of Dundee Ranch are set aside as nature reserves, protecting the unique ecosystem and ensuring an educational experience in biodiversity and environmentalism that is second to none. Observing the abundance of wildlife - from the white faced or howler monkeys that forest in the treetops, to the scarlet macaws and green parrots that fly freely, one cannot help but gain a new perspective on nature and life. The drinking water has been rated among the purest in the world.

In addition to Academic Curriculum, students are also taught values, integrity, honor, accountability, and respect for authority.

Academy at Dundee Ranch provides a warranty and all of the services and components (outlined on pages 2&3) required to be a member of the World Wide Association of Specialty Programs and Schools.

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Just a few hundred miles from the Southeast tip of the United States is the friendly Caribbean island of Jamaica. Thousands of U.S. citizens visit Jamaica each week to enjoy the sunny beaches, the beautiful scenery, the congenial hospitality, and the relaxed tranquility of this tropical island.

In addition to Academic Curriculum, students are also taught values, integrity, honor, accountability, and respect for authority.

Jamaica is an excellent location for the Program because it offers the benefits of a foreign site yet is still close to the United States with easy access for any needed U.S. services or technology. At Tranquility Bay, students are enriched and effectively impacted by a unique cultural experience in Jamaica’s warm yet humble and modest surroundings.

The benefits of a foreign site are numerous. First, the students are put into an entirely new environment, far away from the negative friends and influences that have adversely affected their lives. Second, a new culture results in the teens being more teachable and open to change and direction. As a result, the teens tend to be much more teachable and open to change and direction. Third, a foreign experience helps broaden the teen’s insight, awareness and perspective. Fourth, a foreign setting is much more impacting and instills a greater appreciation for home and family. Fifth, not only do the teens get the help they need, but a valuable overseas experience that they will likely remember and appreciate the rest of their lives. Additionally, due to the greater value of the U.S. dollar in Jamaica, the Program can provide its services at a significant reduction of cost to families. All of these reasons make Jamaica an excellent option for teens needing to make changes in their lives.

Tranquility Bay provides a warranty and all of the services and components (outlined on pages 2 & 3) required to be a member of the World Wide Association of Specialty Programs and Schools.

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Cross Creek Center and Cross Creek Manor are located in scenic Southern Utah. Cross Creek Programs are surrounded by several National Parks and Monuments such as: Zion National Park, Glen Canyon National Recreation Area, and the Cedar Breaks National Monument to name a few. Outdoor recreation is sure to please visitors of all ages. Southern Utah has dramatic and fascinating historical sites, amphitheaters, art museums, petroglyphs, and dinosaur tracks. It offers a delightful range of activities for people of all ages.

Therapy is an important component of Cross Creek Center for Boys and Cross Creek Manor for Girls. Students receive one individual session with a therapist per week. In addition to therapy, students meet daily as a group with their therapist to help incorporate emotional growth, while more fully addressing the issues unresolved from the past. Also, the therapist will have regular communication with the parents. As the student progresses, the therapy sessions will include the parent and child. Parent weekends are conducted at the facility at various times throughout the year.

Available at the parent’s request is a full psychological evaluation which includes assessments of intelligence, academic achievement, personality and behavioral profiles. These assessments have been extremely useful for parents, therapists, and school advisors to help give a good understanding of the current challenges and difficulties that your child faces.

Cross Creek Center & Cross Creek Manor provide a warranty and all of the services and components (outlined on pages 2&3) required to be a member of the World Wide Association of Specialty Programs and Schools.

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Majestic Ranch Academy is a Specialty School, with an excellent academic program, for elementary and junior high students ages 7-13.

Majestic Ranch Academy is located on a 2,000 acre working ranch. This ranch setting provides an excellent opportunity for the students to gain responsibility assisting with ranch duties in a beautiful and peaceful environment conducive to change. Children help with calving, lambing, caring for cows and sheep, and other ranch activities. The child's insight, awareness and perspective is broadened while participating in a meaningful process.

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The Programs and Schools in the World Wide Association all utilize the following effective components: progressive Academics, daily Emotional Growth Courses, Structured Environment, impacting Seminars/Workshops, effective Leadership Programs, ongoing Physical Fitness, and appropriate Socialization & Recreation. The World Wide Association also provides additional benefits and services that further separate the Programs and Schools in the Association from all other options. These services are described on the following pages:

**Parent Support Meetings**

Parent Support Meetings are held in a number of geographic locations throughout the United States. These meetings provide parents with needed support and insight while their child is enrolled in one of the associated Programs or Schools. They also aid the family in preparing for the student’s eventual return home.

**Newsletter**

The World Wide Association provides a newsletter, called THE SOURCE. It contains important communication from the Programs and Schools to update and inform parents. The family also benefits from the articles written by other parents and students, sharing their thoughts, insights, and experiences with the Program or School. The Source is printed every other month and is also available monthly on the World Wide Association web page.

**Independent Review**

The World Wide Association of Specialty Programs and Schools conducts an on-going, periodic review of each Program or School, its staff, policies, and procedures. These reviews assist in the continuity and consistency of the Schools and Programs that are members of the Association.

**Parent Coordinators**

Parent Coordinators are a valuable resource for parents. Located in the World Wide Association offices, they are available to assist parents in understanding the components of the Programs and Schools. The Parent Coordinators explain policies, answer questions, and provide important Program or School information.

**Internet Bulletin Board**

One of the services provided by The World Wide Association of Specialty Programs and Schools is our web based support bulletin board for parents of teens in the Schools or Programs. The purpose of this bulletin board is to provide families with ongoing information, support and coaching.

**Warranty Program**

Most Programs and Schools associated with the World Wide Association offer an exclusive Warranty. All students who have met the criteria for successful completion from one of these facilities may be re-admitted to the Program or School for up to 60 days of free tuition, if he or she should slip into old attitude or behavior patterns before the age of 18.

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SEMINARS & WORKSHOPS

All students participate in a series of highly effective seminars called TASKS (Teen Accountability Self-esteem and Keys to Success). These Seminars are aimed at enhancing self-esteem, honesty, accountability, integrity, trust, agreements, leadership, communication, and responsible decision-making. The Seminar series also strengthens a teen's ability to overcome anger, peer pressure, and self-limiting beliefs. The TASKS elements are part of an overall Program which immerses the student in a combination of educational, experiential, and life enhancing activities. This gives the teens an opportunity to evaluate the negative results of their past choices while they begin to make effective new choices.

The TASKS program consists of the following seminars:

**Teen Discovery:** A three day Seminar addressing such issues as accountability, integrity, choice, trust, anger, and honesty. This seminar is usually attended by your child within 1-6 weeks after entering the Program or School. This Seminar requires the teens to deal directly and honestly with the issues which have brought them to the Program or School.

**Teen Focus:** This three day Seminar centers on critical life experiences and self-limiting beliefs that have created a low self-esteem and inappropriate behavior. A main part of the Focus Seminar is for your child to begin to make new choices regarding their behavior.

**Teen Accountability:** This Seminar focuses on being accountable for life choices and making responsible decisions. This is a high-impact Seminar designed to challenge the teen regarding their overall Program or School results. This includes family interactions, school, response to authority, anger and agreements.

**Keys to Success:** A series of 2-day Workshops are offered to those students having achieved the leadership phase of the Program or School. This series of Seminars is focused on creating skills for the students in the following areas: peer relationship, family as a team, communication, dating, leadership, and establishment of personal values.

**Teen Service:** This is a key part of our Leadership Program. Service is an opportunity for your child to internalize the concepts of the Seminar by serving as a "buddy" to new students participating in the Seminar. This leadership opportunity is critical in the development of a solid sense of self. This new sense of confidence will assist the child in dealing with his peer group upon their return to the home. Service in the Seminars is a part of the Program which will assist your child in forming boundaries and confidence to stand firm rather than "follow the group."

**Parent Discovery:** While your child is in the Program or School, parents will be invited to participate in a three day Parent Discovery Seminar. The Parent Discovery Seminar is similar to the Seminar attended by the teens. This Seminar forms the basis for the parent and child to work together in additional TASKS seminars.

**Parent Focus:** The Parent Focus is similar to the Teen Focus attended by your child. Additional elements focusing on personal and parenting choices are added to enhance the development of a new family dynamic. This Seminar builds upon the foundation established in the Parent Discovery Seminar.

**Visions:** Visions assists the parents in the preparation for the student’s return home. This Seminar allows continued growth begun in other Seminars. Parents learn to apply the tools developed in Discovery and Focus.

**Parent-Child I:** Upon recommendation by the Program or School, your teen and family will begin the Internalization phase of the Program or School with an invitation to Parent Child I (PCI). PCI is a critical Workshop in which you and your child begin the process of reintegration of the family. This Workshop focuses on skill development in the areas of home contracting, family values, family purpose, and the development of a transition plan for the Internalization phase of the Program or School.

**Parent-Child II:** Upon the successful completion of the Internalization phase of the Program or School, your family will return to a second Parent Child Workshop. This Workshop is effectively the exit phase of the Program or School. Upon successful completion of this Workshop, families are invited to attend the World Wide After-Care support meetings. The PCII Workshop will bring closure to issues dealt with during the Internalization phase.

Upon successfully completing any of the Programs or Schools, the students and their parents may attend ongoing After-Care Workshops held in several geographic locations throughout the United States. The family is given ongoing support, directions, and intervention to help with the teen’s adjustment and success back in the home environment.

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*NNot all photos taken at facilities.

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