WELCOME TO
APPLE CANYON CENTER
Apple Canyon Center welcomes you with the beauty and serenity of pine-filled mountains and spacious meadows. A successful camp, retreat or conference allows ample opportunity for you to play as well as time for individual reflection. Apple Canyon Center invites you to consider its unique facilities as you plan your next camp, conference, retreat or meeting.

**YOUTH CAMPS and EDUCATION** - Hiking, Sports, Arts And Crafts, Outdoor Living Skills, Swimming, Fishing, Dance, Dramatics and more can make a special experience for youth of all ages. Apple Canyon Center can be your base for providing childhood memories that will last a lifetime. To assist your group or organization let us provide PROGRAM and SCHEDULING ASSISTANCE. With over thirty years of experience in providing outdoor youth camping, we can help in making the most of every minute spent at Apple Canyon Center. We can also be of assistance for the adaptation of programs to include participants with special needs.

**PEAK PERFORMANCE** – *Experiential Team Building Course and Curriculum* – Through the use of tailored adventure based programming we can create an experience for you and you group to develop an increased feeling of group cohesion, communication and sense of empowerment. Group and individual challenges include our 50-ft. climbing tower where members of your group can develop increased self confidence and leadership skills. Are you up for the challenge? (Please contact us for more information)

**OUTDOOR EDUCATION** - With a diversity of ecosystems for observation in study and a year-round facility, Apple Canyon Center offers exceptional outdoor education opportunities. Consider the curriculum possibilities for students of all ages:

- WINTER - Tracking/Wildlife and Wind power  
- SPRING - Pond Ecosystem and Wild flowers  
- SUMMER – Solar power and the Night Sky  
- FALL - Recycling and Native American Studies

**SERVICE PROJECTS** - Giving to others less fortunate has long been a cherished value. Teaching values to our youth is an important responsibility. Toward this end we have available service projects that benefit our camping programs for children with cancer. Our service projects and informative program presentation have enhanced school groups, school visitations, youth camps and professional retreats. Service projects can be tailored to the skills and abilities of your group.

**FAMILY REUNION**S - You wouldn’t have to worry about cooking, dirty dishes, what to do with the kids or cleaning the house afterwards...let Apple Canyon Center host your next family reunion or get-together. With our hiking trails, play fields, nearby shopping in Idyllwild, fireside chats, family style meals and reasonable rates, you can’t afford not to bring the entire family together at least once a year. Your aunts, uncles, cousins, parents and kids can have a care-free and memorable vacation ... with you to thank for it.
Apple Canyon Center is proud to offer a variety of meeting and recreational facilities to accommodate each season and meeting your education, entertaining and community building needs.

MEETING SPACES

AS&F Activity Center - Completed in June 2015, the AS&F Activity Center features two meeting facilities and dining room:

- **Fellowship Hall** features a wood burning fire place, clear story windows, and media room to support a dropdown presentation/movie screen, mounted LCD projection with wireless speakers. This 2,290 sq. ft. hall has seating and tables for training 110 people or 200 theater style seating.

- **Conference Room** is 550 sq. ft. to accommodate 12-30 people. The Conference Room offers a dropdown presentation/movie screen with mounted LCD projection for training or entertaining.

- **“Blanche & Eddie” Dining Room** seats up to 280 people, featuring a large see-through fire place, a smaller private dining area for 24, a food service buffet, cold beverage station, hot beverage station and fresh fruit / cereal / bread bar.

- **Roosevelt Hall** has all the charm of an ‘ol camp lodge. Found in the center of the site, this Hall features a wood burning fireplace, tongue & groove wood walls & ceilings that provides 2,500 sq. feet for activities, dance instruction, educational meetings and more.

- **“Big Tent”** - This 40’ x 50’ activity tent with cement floor is located in the center of our grass activity fields. This space is great for outside dances & large group meetings. (available April – October).

- **Activity Buildings** – Camp has a number of additional inside spaces to conduct arts & crafts projects or training meetings. Each can accommodate 10-30 people (see Bldg. 25, AB3, AB4 on the facility map)

- **Outdoor Campfires** - The site offers a number of outdoor fire pits and seating. The **Main Campfire Theater** offers a raised stage with lighting and projection screen (portable sound system available) with seating for 200 people on natural log benches. Four additional campfire rings are available around the site with log benches accommodating 12-40 people.

**AUDIO/VISUAL EQUIPMENT** - To assist your education, training and recreation needs Apple Canyon Center has a variety of audio/visual equipment available:

- Portable PA/Music System
- Chart Pad Easel
- Potable LCD Projector & Screen
Apple Canyon Center offers a range of recreational opportunities for guests young and old.

**Swimming Pool** - 30' x 60' recreational pool is perfect for just playin' and splashin’ or swim instruction (available May – September) (certified lifeguard required or can be provided)

**Archery Range** - Archery can build confidence; demonstrate the power of patience and resiliency can be enjoyed by families, friends and even couples. This sport is fun to watch, can be enjoyed in every kind of weather and be played individually or as a team competition. (trained adult instructor required or can be provided)

**Athletic Field** – Over four acres of grass field offers a spacious play and sport space. The field area includes ball field back stop and soccer goals.

**Basketball Court** – Our full size concrete basketball court includes half court backboard and rims.

**Bob Chandler Courage Course** – Facilitated and lead by trained staff, guests experience the power of positive individual risk-taking, goal setting, team work, leadership, cooperation and problem solving on our 50 ft. Alpine Climbing Tower, 50 ft. Arial Swing and a variety of Initiative/Team building stations. (trained adult instructors required and can be provided)

**Fishing Pond** – One acre fishing pond features wide-mouth bass, perch and catfish and a handicap accessible fishing dock offering endless “catch & release” enjoyment using casting rods or bamboo drop fishin’ poles. You might be the one to finally catch “Walter” the legendary biggest fish in the pond.

**Ga-Ga Court** – Ga Ga is all the rage! Ga Ga (literally 'touch-touch' in Hebrew) is a variant of dodgeball that is played with one ball. The game combines dodging, striking, running, and jumping, with the object of being the last person standing. Ga Ga can be played for hours by guests of all ages and abilities.

**Instructional Kid’s Kitchen** – This family style kitchen and instructional area provides opportunities to be the next “top chef” of camp. The Kid’s Kitchen area also features an outside wood –burning pizza oven.

**Sand Volleyball Court** – Just like on the beaches on Maui… only in the mountains!

**Tipi Village** – Tipi Village features four 18” Souix style canvas tipis set on platforms. The Village includes wilderness buffet serving area and a center campfire circle for cooking S’mores. (available June – August)

**Miles of Hiking Trails** – the Campsite is surrounded by acres of U.S. Forest Service land and trail systems. Walks for beginners, hikes for families and treks for the adventurous can all be taken from the borders of Apple Canyon Center.
Apple Canyon Center has a variety of overnight and meeting accommodations for up to 240 people.

**RUSTIC CABIN & DORMS** (Pool Village-Cabins #13-18 & Med Shed Village-Cabins #19-24) Cabins can house 12 to 24 people. All accommodations are heated, carpet floors, bunk beds and have restrooms attached with shower facilities attached or close by.

**PONDSIDE VILLAGE** (Cabins #26-30) Are newest five cabins house 12 people each featuring privacy curtains, family bunk beds (single mattress on top/ double mattress bottom) and two full private bathrooms with showers inside the building.

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See enclosed Facility Map for building locations.
OUR GOAL is to provide your group with the best possible food service program that will facilitate the groups program and experience at Apple Canyon Center. Our food service program and staff are committed:

- To serve the highest quality food to guests of Apple Canyon Center.
- To create an atmosphere where one can refuel the spirit as well as the body.

PLENTIFUL AND DELICIOUS FOOD can be served family-style or buffet-style depending on the size and needs of your group. All meals are served in our rustic dining hall accommodating up to 200 people.

NUTRITIONALLY BALANCED MENUS that offer the variety to enhance your program. Apple Canyon Center has many menu options for you to choose from. A proposed menu designed specifically for the age and style of your group can be made available for your review. Sample menu may include:

**South of the Border Fiesta**
- Homemade Enchiladas
  - (Cheese and/or Beef)
- Spanish Rice/Refried Beans
- Homemade Salsa

**Norman Rockwell Dinner**
- Roasted Tom Turkey
- Seasoned Bread Dressing
- Mash potatoes/Gravy
- Cranberry sauce
- Green beans

**Italian Feast**
- Homemade Lasagna
  - (Meat & Cheese and/or Vegetable)
- Garlic French Bread
- Steamed Broccoli

**Down Home County Breakfast**
- Blueberry Pancakes
- Canadian Bacon
- County Fried Potatoes

**Omelet Breakfast**
- (Sausage and/or Cheese)
- Hashbrown Potatoes
- Fresh Made Cinnamon Rolls

- All Breakfasts include orange or apple juice, cold cereal, muffins or bagels, fresh fruit, yogurt and a choice of beverages: milk, hot chocolate, coffee and tea.
- All Brunches, Lunches and Dinners include fresh fruit, full salad bar, desert, and a choice of beverages: milk, punch or lemonade, coffee and tea.

ETHNIC and SPECIALTY MENUS are also available. Our professional food service department can provide menus, food handling and preparation standards to insure the highest quality meals and adherence to dietary and religious principles.

“EXTRA SPECIAL TOUCHES” To assist any group, we also offer support food services for meetings and special events. Breakout refreshments, VIP meeting buffets, outdoor Bar-B-Ques and evening refreshments are available at an additional cost.
Dear Group Leader:

The following information and policies of Apple Canyon Center are items that you and your group should know to create a positive experience for you and our other guests.

ACCOMMODATIONS - For your safety, please do not remove or rearrange building furniture of fixtures without the Facility Manager’s approval.

CAMPFIRES - Campfires are only allowed in designated fire rings. Direct supervision of campfires are required at all times. All fires must be extinguished until cold. The Facility Manager may be contacted for firewood. Campfire use may be suspended during high fire conditions as regulated by the California Department of Forestry.

CHECK IN / CHECK OUT - The Group Leader should be the first to arrive and should check in with the Facility Manager.

FIRST AID - User group is responsible for bringing first aid items and at least one person currently certified in Red Cross First Aid and CPR. THE CENTER DOES NOT PROVIDE HEALTH SERVICES.

MAIL - Address for mail to guests: Guest’s Name / Group Name / Apple Canyon Center / P.O. Box 35 / Mountain Center, CA 92561-0035

PROHIBITED ITEMS - Firearms, fireworks, explosives, ammunition, poisonous, hazardous and illegal substances are prohibited.

QUIET HOURS - County of Riverside regulations require that all outside activities be limited to the hours between 7:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m.; All field/court lighting and music playing (i.e., radio, stereo) is prohibited outdoors between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m.

REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE - Facility or grounds repair needs should be reported to the Facility Manager. Please check with Center Manager on reporting procedures.

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SMOKING - Smoking is prohibited in all buildings and in open vegetation areas. See the Facility Manager for designated smoking areas.

SUPERVISION - User group will provide leadership and supervision for all participants during their visit. Each children’s or youth group must be adequately chaperoned by the same sex and the person in charge of each group will be responsible for the conduct of the same.

TELEPHONE/INTERNET - For your convenience telephones are available at the Dining Hall (credit card and toll free numbers accepted). Telephone messages may be left and faxes may be sent to the Center Office – Tel: (951) 659-4609. Cellular phone service is available to Verizon users. Wireless internet service is available to guest leadership in specific locations.

WILDLIFE - Deer, rabbit, hawk, golden eagle, squirrel, skunk, raccoon and other wildlife enter the Center grounds from time to time. Please enjoy wildlife from a distance. For your safety we do not recommend approaching any wild creatures. Less desirable creatures also enter the Center grounds (snakes, etc.). We suggest all visitors remain on the roads, walkways and constructed trails. We suggest NOT reaching or playing in rock formations, natural or manmade wood piles or under buildings or porches. The Facility Manager should be contacted to relocated undesirable wildlife.

If you have any additional questions that we could assist you with before your arrival, please do not hesitate to contact us.

- Apple Canyon Center Staff

The above information and policies are not intended to be complete. Please refer to your signed contract and User Guide for additional information.
AREA ATTRACTIONS

APPLE CANYON CENTER

LAKE HEMET - The largest lake in the San Jacinto Mountains offers two recreation areas. Lake Hemet Campground and Landing and U. S. Forest Service free fishing and picnic area. Stocked throughout the year with rainbow trout, big mouth bass and blue gill. Located one mile from Apple Canyon Center on Hwy 74 in Garner Valley.

ERNIE MAXWELL SCENIC TRAIL - Recommended for an easy introduction to hiking in Idyllwild. The 2.6-mile trail begins from Humber Park and skirts along the hillside above Idyllwild. Hikers can enjoy views of Little Taquitz Creek, Marion Mountain and Suicide Rock.

NATURE CENTER - Located at Idyllwild Park, one half mile north of Idyllwild on Hwy 243. Exhibits, Nature Walks and educational programs on flora and fauna, the history of local Indians and early pioneers. Open Saturday & Sundays all year, and Thursday - Sundays in the Spring, Summer and fall. For more information call 659-3850.

LIVING FREE ANIMAL SANCTUARY - located 3 miles west of Apple Canyon Center on Hwy 74. The Sanctuary is a special place of refuge for dogs and cats rescued from pounds and shelters. Clean, modern, state of the art kennel and cattery that offers special attention and care for dog and cats awaiting adoption. Tours and education programs available. Open Friday - Monday 10am - 4pm. For information call 659-4684.

PALM SPRINGS TRAM - Fifteen-minute ride from the desert palms to alpine forest. You can hike, relax and enjoy the view with some delicious food at the Alpine Restaurant. It's the best way to see Palm Springs. One hour drive from Apple Canyon Center. For information call (619) 325-1391.

DESERT HILLS FACTORY STORES IN CABAZON - Over 100 Name Brand Factory Outlet Stores; Esprit, Nike, Guess, Anne Klien, Eddie Bauer, Levi’s and more. For more Information call (951) 849-6641.

IDYLLWILD JAZZ FESTIVAL - Held in late August, Idyllwild Jazz Festival is a day of great music in the pines. For information call (800) 659-4885. Idyllwild Jazz Festival is a benefit for Idyllwild ARTS scholarship fund.