



AT A GLANCE

- ☐ **Boys** **Single-gender** | Focus on special needs of adolescent boys
- ☐ **Ages 11 – 15** **Middle school** | Grades 5 – 9 | Average enrollment – 38 students
- ☐ **Location** **Westminster, SC** | Close to Atlanta, GA; Greenville, SC; and Asheville, NC | Closest airports: Atlanta and Greenville | 77-acre wooded campus | Beautiful, natural setting surrounded by National Forests, waterfalls, rivers, lakes | Perfect setting for "boys to be boys"
- ☐ **Stay** **15 – 24 months** (average stay) | Students may stay through middle-school years as needed
- ☐ **Mission** *"We are a learning community that challenges boys and their families, to discover what is real and true about themselves, as well as the world around them."*
- ☐ **Values** *Truth, Wisdom, Courage, Love, Quality, Safety, Creativity and Fun*
- ☐ **Tuition** \$5,825 per month, plus additional fees for psychotherapy

Licensed by the State of South Carolina as a Residential Group Care Organization

CHEROKEE CREEK Boys School

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ACADEMICS AND ENRICHMENT

- ☐ **Accreditation** | Southern Association of Colleges and Schools – Since 2005
- ☐ **Academic Curriculum**
 - Individualized Academic Plans
 - An Individualized Academic Plan (IAP) Designed for Each Student
 - Customized Instruction to Meet Individual Learning Styles and Needs
 - Standards-Driven Programs
 - Language Arts, Math, Sciences, and Social Studies
 - Environmental Studies
 - Experiential Outdoor Classroom
 - Emphasis on Local Ecosystem and Watershed
 - Physical Education and Recreation
 - Active Daily Schedule and Weekend Recreation
 - Service Learning Projects and Field Trips
- ☐ **Enrichment Activities**
 - Guitar Lessons | Foreign Language Study | Community League Sports | Martial Arts
- ☐ **Life Skills**
 - Community Service
 - Daily Chores
 - Health and Nutrition
 - Creative Arts

THERAPEUTIC SERVICES

- ☐ **Licensed Therapists and Experienced Counseling Staff**
- ☐ **Comprehensive Therapy and Counseling Program**
 - Individual and Group Psychotherapy
 - Group Counseling
 - Crisis Intervention
 - Cherokee Treks (Weekend Expeditions)
 - Home and Off-Campus Visits
 - Quarterly Family Seminars
 - Family Therapy
- ☐ **Focus Groups**
 - Anger Management
 - Boundaries
 - Grief and Loss
 - Additional focus groups are offered as needed
- ☐ **Therapeutic Goals and Plans Meet Individual Needs of Each Student**
- ☐ **Transitioning** | Our "Passages" curriculum offers student preparation to transition home

Referrals

We are happy to put you in touch with both alumni and current CHEROKEE CREEK parents to ask them about their experiences with our school.

For further information,
please contact:

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STUDENT PROFILE

- ☐ **Challenges | Emotional, Personal, Social**
 - ADD / ADHD
 - Depression
 - Anger Management
 - Oppositional Defiant Behavior
 - Attachment Issues
 - Anxiety
 - Post Traumatic Stress Disorder
 - Emotional and Behavioral Issues
- ☐ **Challenges | Life Issues**
 - Adoption
 - Divorce
 - Grief and Loss
 - Adolescent Pressures
- ☐ **Challenges | Academic**
 - Learning Disabilities
 - Learning Style Differences
 - School Failure and Frustration

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The "Other Side" of CHEROKEE CREEK A small school with a big heart

A Healing Environment

We believe that children need love, structure, laughter, creative outlets, and time for introspection. We offer all of this in a healthy, natural environment that includes good food, exercise, play and a caring staff who offer their love and support.

"The first time I came to the school I was really scared. I remember walking in the lodge and it was such a warm place...the building, the atmosphere was just warm and welcoming. People turned to me and smiled and said, 'Hello, we're so glad to see you.' ...I was just embraced with love...that was the start...and it's never ended."

Parent from Texas

We Seek the Truth That Lies Within

Children need hope and a positive vision of their future. They need to discover their inner goodness – the truth about themselves and the world around them. We lead them on a gentle, non-punitive path of self-discovery by helping them identify and break old thought patterns and behaviors, and practice healthy lifestyle choices.

"When we found CHEROKEE CREEK, it really felt different to us because they were looking for the good parts in the kids...allowing them to express what they were always capable of expressing – to be who they are able to be – but just couldn't find their way to it. We've seen our son find his way back. We never, ever thought we would be able to get there on our own...we are so grateful."

Parents from Maryland

"One of the things that we noticed right away was that they tap into the true potential of the boys...their inherent goodness. The boys seem to achieve their sense of excellence... which is very refreshing."

Parent from Pennsylvania

"We just spent four days with our beautiful son and had the most wonderful time! I have not seen him in such a happy, peaceful place in many years. We met with the counselors before our departure and it was such a good meeting... it's all about healing, in every sense of the word."

Parent from Virginia

We're a Family

Our students are young. They need a sense of "home" to feel safe and supported as they grow. We have an exceptional staff who create a family-style environment that feels like home.

"Our son was in a traditional school and because of all the social and academic pressures, he just fell apart. We had to find a way out for him. We didn't just want a boarding school...we wanted a school that had that family environment and that's the uniqueness of CHEROKEE CREEK...it's got the best of what a family and a school can offer."

Parents from Maryland

"One element that is very special about CHEROKEE CREEK is the level of respect that the staff shows to the boys...and the boys, in turn, show to the staff. There is a genuine connection of affection and appreciation for one another as human beings."

Parents from Pennsylvania

"What allows me to sleep at night is not only are they extremely competent people, but they also love my boy – and that is something that is immeasurable."

Parent from Texas

What the Founders Say...

"We founded CHEROKEE CREEK because our son struggled with adoption issues, ADHD and learning challenges. Our household had become a war zone and for years we looked everywhere for appropriate help. We remember how despairing the search was, and the tremendous relief and gratitude we felt when we found our answer...an emotional growth school. As the healing took place for our son and our family, we vowed that our knowledge and passion would be used to serve other families who are finding their way with a struggling child. CHEROKEE CREEK is a labor of love and dedicated to healing children and restoring hope to families."

Beth and Ron Black, Owners and Founders

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