Bridges Academy

(Therapeutic Boarding School)

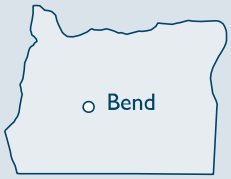
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PROGRAM OUTLINE

Gender: Males Only
Ages: 13 to 18
Grades: middle school and high school
Enrollment: 20
Duration: 6 to 24 months
Founded: 1997

NATSAP
Member Since: 2004



Airport: Redmond or Portland

Bridges Academy is a year-round therapeutic boarding school for teenage boys ages 13-18 that are struggling with emotional, behavioral and/or academic issues. During our 13 years of success we combine several philosophies surrounding emotional growth, community living, the creation of a positive peer environment and experiential learning. While at Bridges Academy, students are challenged to identify their positive and negative behavior patterns. They explore their role in family dynamics and examine ways in which their choices have influenced and been influenced by their peer interactions. Ultimately, during the students' tenure with our program, they learn the tools necessary to make healthy, positive choices in their lives, as well as in their peer and family relationships.

Our highly structured, rustic family setting provides our students with individualized attention while working with each family as a whole. This work encompasses the following: A clear work-to-earn trust building system, a strong positive peer environment, community service opportunities, family counseling/workshops, and an effective addiction studies program. Our graduates tell us they learn the value of hard work; history shows they obtain great jobs and get promoted to positions of supervision.

Bridges Academy offers a planned, accredited program for students of all academic abilities and goals including college preparatory. Student-teacher ratio is 6-1. This attention provides the opportunity for experiential learning for school credit. The curriculum is individualized to fit each student's needs and accommodates grades 7-12 with year-round classes.

The typical Bridges Academy graduate demonstrates confidence to affect positive outcomes within their interpersonal relationships and become contributing members of their families and communities.

Individual Psychotherapy Available: Yes
Accreditation, Licensure: Oregon Department of Human Services, Child Caring Agency; State of Oregon, Northwest Accreditation Commission; Approved by SEVIS
Professional Affiliations: NATSAP-Full Member