

White River Academy

(Residential Treatment Center)

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PROGRAM OUTLINE

Gender: Male Only, as assigned at birth
Ages: 12 - 17
Grades: 6 - 12
Enrollment: 36
Duration: 18 months
Founded: 2006



Airport: Salt Lake City Int'l (SLC)

White River Academy is a private residential treatment center and school for boys 12 to 17.6 years old. We use a cognitive-behavioral approach combining aspects of both the Positive Peer Culture Model and the Developmental Vacation strategies created by our own Dr. Daniel M. Sanderson. Along with our private and family therapy group sessions we offer a variety of specialized therapy groups such as Equine Therapy, Mental Resilience and Self Discipline, Healthy Masculinity, Life Skills, Healthy Lifestyles, etc.

We adhere to all the Utah State Board of Education Standards established by Cognia Global Commission under Northwest Accreditation Commission. Upon admission, clients with behavioral, emotional, and learning disabilities are provided with a Private Schomay concentrate on their academic program while also working on their therapeutic issues.

Part of the requirements to graduate is for the clients to work on 16 achievements and complete two service learning projects. Areas of achievement development include career, citizenship, educational, physical social, and spiritual categories.

Our staff are trained in therapeutic approaches, policies and procedures, and Positive Control Systems. The boys have 24/7 supervision by our staff as well as security cameras that are in our common areas with exception to our bathrooms. The boys participate in recreational activities within the community and the families come for parent weekends that are held on a quarterly basis.

We encourage the boys to live a healthy lifestyle. The boys are not allowed to engage in behavior that would be harmful to themselves or others. Clients have the responsibility to treat others respectfully, fairly, and impartially. They are to follow the rules, procedures, schedules, and staff directions. Parents are also encouraged to participate in frequent family therapy sessions and exchange daily emails.

Accreditation, Licensure: State of Utah, Office of Licensing; Cognia
Professional Affiliations: NATSAP - Full Member