

PURPOSE

The Rio Grande Rainbow Camp is an immersive camp that aspires to deliver a life-changing, empowering, and supportive leadership experience for the LGBTQ youth in the El Paso, TX region. The camp is committed as a safe-space that is accessible, caters to the multicultural diversity of our community, and is inclusive of the identities that reflect the region.

DATES & LOCATION

The two-day camp will be held **Saturday, August 5 & Sunday, August 6** at the **Center for Children** located at 2200 N Stevens St, El Paso, TX 79930.

Saturday's session will run from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Sunday's session will run from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Times subject to change.

WHAT TO EXPECT

The camp will be lead by a team of skilled and certified professionals and volunteers. The weekend will include workshops, team-building, and social activities. A questionnaire at the end of the application is provided to guide the development of programming.

WHO SHOULD APPLY?

The camp is intended for youth ages 14-18 who wish to enhance and refine their leaderships skills, are open to create a network of like-minded allies, and are comfortable engaging in conversations supporting the LGBTQ community.

CAMP FEE

Thanks to our generous donors we are able cover initial costs to host the camp. To help meet additional expenses, there is a non-refundable \$30 Camp Fee. Campers may also be asked to participate in fundraisers to meet remaining expenses.

I HAVE MORE QUESTIONS...

Great! We're happy to answer them. Please contact Camp Coordinator Julian Casillas at julian@borderlandrainbow.org with any questions or to setup an appointment. **Hablo español.**

THE TEAM

Under the guidance and supervision of the BRC Board, the camp is being lead by LGBTQ community members Julian Casillas, Camp Coordinator & Amber Myrda, Assistant Coordinator.

Julian received his Bachelor's in Public Relations from UTEP and is currently a graduate student in Public Administration. He's had 7+ years experience working in youth/leadership development and supporting LGBTQ organizations.

Amber is currently enrolled in the Social Work Program at El Paso Community College and is president of the EPCC Queer Straight Alliance.

Application Instructions

There are **4** pages to this application. The application should be submitted with no blank sections or missing pages. Direct questions to Camp Coordinator, Julian Casillas, at julian@borderlandrainbow.org

Registration Fee:

If accepted, each camper will be required to submit at non-refundable **\$30** Camp Fee within 14 calendar days of being notified to secure the spot. Failure to submit will result in losing your place. Campers who are awarded a scholarship will not be required to submit the Camp Fee.

Submission Deadline:

Priority deadline has passed.

Second Round Deadline: **Monday, June 12 at 11:59 p.m. MST**

Final Round Deadline: **Monday, July 3 at 11:59 p.m. MST**

Applications received after this date may be considered, and if accepted, will be placed on a waitlist.

Submission:

- ◆ **Email:** Preferably, please use the fillable PDF, print, sign, scan, and email the complete application to julian@borderlandrainbow.org.
- ◆ **Mail:** Mail the complete application to: Borderland Rainbow Center, c/o Julian Casillas 2714 Wyoming Avenue El Paso, TX 79903.

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CAMPER APPLICATION

The BRC welcomes applicants ages 14-18 years old from the El Paso, TX region for Rio Grande Rainbow Camp. **There is limited space for the 2017 Rio Grande Rainbow Camp.** Applicants not selected will be placed on a waitlist and contacted should a spot be available. Any questions can be directed to Camp Coordinator, Julian Casillas, at julian@borderlandrainbow.org.

CAMPER INFORMATION

Full Legal Name _____

Preferred First Name _____

Date of Birth _____

Age _____

Phone Number _____

Email Address _____

Are you currently enrolled at a high school*? (Check One) YES NO If so, provide name of high school: _____

What grade level will you be entering in Fall 2017? _____

What is your level of proficiency of the following languages? (Please check a box for each language)

Language	None	Basic Words/ Understand Phrases	Can understand and speak in a slow conversation	Can understand and speak 90% of the time	Fluent
English					
Spanish					
Other:					

Parent/Guardian Full Name _____

Phone Number _____

E-Mail Address _____

Zip Code _____

Emergency Contact Name (if different from above) _____

Relationship _____

Phone Number _____

E-Mail Address _____

Zip Code _____

OPTIONAL:

The BRC respects the privacy of its applicants and will not disclose information provided without consent.

Sex: _____ Gender: _____ Sexual Orientation: _____

Race: _____ Ethnicity: _____

*BRC Leadership Weekend accepts applicants enrolled in a high school equivalency program. Please make note in the "Additional Comments"

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CAMPER QUESTIONNAIRE

PLEASE MARK YOUR LEVEL OF KNOWLEDGE FOR EACH OF THE FOLLOWING TOPICS :

Topic	No Knowledge	Know the Basics	Know some part well, some not at all	Know quite a bit	Expert/ Know enough to teach a short class
LGBTQ History					
LGBTQ Terminology					
LGBTQ Community Resources					
Leadership & Advocacy					
Storytelling					
Promoting Your Organization					
Event-Planning					
Fundraising					
Public Speaking					
Health & Wellness					
College Readiness					
Professional Development					

SHORT ANSWERS

(Please answer each of the following questions in the space provided)

Briefly list your past and current extra-curricular activities, community involvement, or work experience.

Why do you want to attend the Rio Grande Rainbow Camp?

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RELEASE AND INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT

(Minor Participant)

Student Participant: (Name and Address)

Institution:

Borderland Rainbow Center
2714 Wyoming Avenue
El Paso, TX 79903

Description of Activity or Trip: Rio Grande Rainbow Camp

Location: El Paso Center for Children

Date(s): Sat. August 5 & Sun. August 6

I am the Parent/Guardian of the above named Participant who is under 18 years of age and am fully competent to sign this Agreement. I give permission for Participant to participate in the above-referenced Activity or Trip. I acknowledge that the nature of the Activity or Trip may expose Participant to hazards or risks that may result in Participant's illness, personal injury, or death and I understand and appreciate the nature of such hazards and risks. In consideration of Participant being permitted to participate in the Activity or Trip, I hereby accept all risk to Participant's health and of his/her injury or death that may result from such participation. **I hereby release the above named Institution, its governing board officers, employees and representatives, in their individual and official capacities, from any liability to Participant, Participant's personal representatives, estate, heirs, next of kin, and assigns for any and all claims and causes of action for loss of or damage to Participant's property and for any and all illness or injury to Participant's person, including his/her death, that may result from or occur during Participant's participation in the Activity or Trip, WHETHER CAUSED BY NEGLIGENCE OF THE INSTITUTION, ITS GOVERNING BOARD, OFFICERS, EMPLOYEES, OR REPRESENTATIVES, OR OTHERWISE.**

I further agree to indemnify and hold harmless the above-names Institution and its governing board officers, employee, and representatives, in their individual and official capacities, from liability for the injury or death of any person(s) and damage to property that may result from Participant's negligent or intentional act or omission while participating in the described Activity of Trip.

I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THIS AGREEMENT AND UNDERSTAND IT TO BE A RELEASE OF ALL CLAIMS AND CAUSES OF ACTION FOR PARTICIPANT'S INJURY OR DEATH OR DAMAGE TO PARTICIPANT'S PROPERTY THAT OCCURS WHILE PARTICIPATING IN THE DESCRIBED ACTIVITY OR TRIP AND IT OBLIGATES ME TO INDEMNIFY THE PARTIES NAMED FOR ANY LIABILITY FOR INJURY OR DEATH OF ANY PERSON AND DAMAGE TO PROPERTY CAUSED BY PARTICIPANT'S NEGLIGENT OR INTENTIONAL ACT OR OMISION.

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Printed Name of Parent/Guardian

Date

Address, if different than Participant's

Witness

Printed Name of Witness

Date

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ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Please list any food allergies or other special accommodations that is necessary for the BRC to know to ensure camper's health and safety:

REGISTRATION FEE

The BRC is committed to ensure that those who wish to attend camp have the mean to do so. If selected, every camper will be required to submit a \$30 Camp Fee. Scholarships to cover this fee will be awarded to campers who request financial need. If you'd like to be considered for financial assistance, please initial here: _____

APPLICATION SIGNATURES & AGREEMENT

I CERTIFY, TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE, THAT THE INFORMATION IN THIS APPLICATION IS CURRENT AND ACCURATE. FALSIFYING ANY PORTION OF THIS APPLICATION MAY RESULT IN DENIAL OF ACCEPTANCE. IF ACCEPTED I AGREE TO BE RESPONSIBLE TO SUBMIT THE NON-REFUNDABLE CAMP FEE OF \$30 WITHIN 14 CALENDAR DAYS OF NOTIFICATION OF ACCEPTANCE TO SECURE CAMPER'S SPOT, OR RISK FORFEITURE. I AGREE TO NOTIFY CAMP STAFF IF CIRCUMSTANCES NO LONGER ALLOW THE CAMPER TO ATTEND CAMP AT LEAST THREE WEEKS FROM THE BEGINNING OF CAMP.

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Printed Name of Parent/Guardian

Date

Address, if different than Participant's