

ADVENTURE



Summer 2024

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Adventure WV First-Year Trips (FYT) are peer-led, adventure-based experiences that prepare students for life at WVU. Trips offer participants diverse opportunities to meet other first-year students, learn about themselves, and connect with WVU.

FYT run every week of the summer (including an 'Early Move-in' option), with 3 differing trip models for incoming students to choose from.

FYTs By The Numbers

This summer marks 20 years! Woo hoo!

8 Weeks of FYTs over the summer

2-6 FYTs running per week

34 total FYTs: 15 Quest, 9 Explore, 10 Odyssey trips total

16 NSO Basecamp Sessions total in June & July

320 NSO Basecamp student spots total

730+ FYT student spots

40+ Student staff members

What We Focus On

Through outdoor adventure challenge, FYTs focus on working with students to...

1. Meet other incoming first-years and develop a foundation of **supportive relationships**
2. Set **goals** and reflect on **values** for college
3. Experience **independence** and **personal responsibility** in a facilitated environment
4. Develop **self-awareness** through challenge and reflection
5. Foster positive **relationships with WVU**
6. Get involved with **leadership, teamwork, service**
7. Experience fun **outdoor** recreational opportunities

What are we doing different?

Explore
Odyssey
Quest

Giving more info. But not too much!

Partnership Trips

Adventure WV partners with several colleges and organizations on campus to provide trips for students in the same college, major, or organization:

- Chambers College
- Statler College (2 trips)
- Honors College (3 trips)
- Eberly College
- Army ROTC
- Pre Health
- Davis College
- School of Medicine
- LGBTQ+ & Allies

Summary for FYTs

What we do is working!

“In the middle of the summer before my freshman year of college I was debating on withdrawing and going to a college back home. After meeting everyone on my FYT, I knew that West Virginia University was definitely going to be the place for me. Having friends I knew I could text to go to the dining hall with, walk to class together, or just hangout made me much less nervous and much more excited to move away to college.”

Registration is now open (and nearly half filled)!

(NSO Basecamp registration opens in March with general NSO registration)

Keep an eye on (and refer students to)

<https://adventurewv.wvu.edu/first-year-trips>

FEBRUARY 29, 2024

The Great Day

The Great Day is part of our commitment to make college more affordable for you!



Essay Contest

Submit an essay for a chance to win 1 of 16 \$1,000 scholarships or a meal plan package. Winners will be announced Thursday, February 29 during The Great Day. Essays must be more than 100 words and fewer than 250 words.

Submission deadline is Monday, February 26 at 11:59 p.m. EST.

[Enter Now](#)



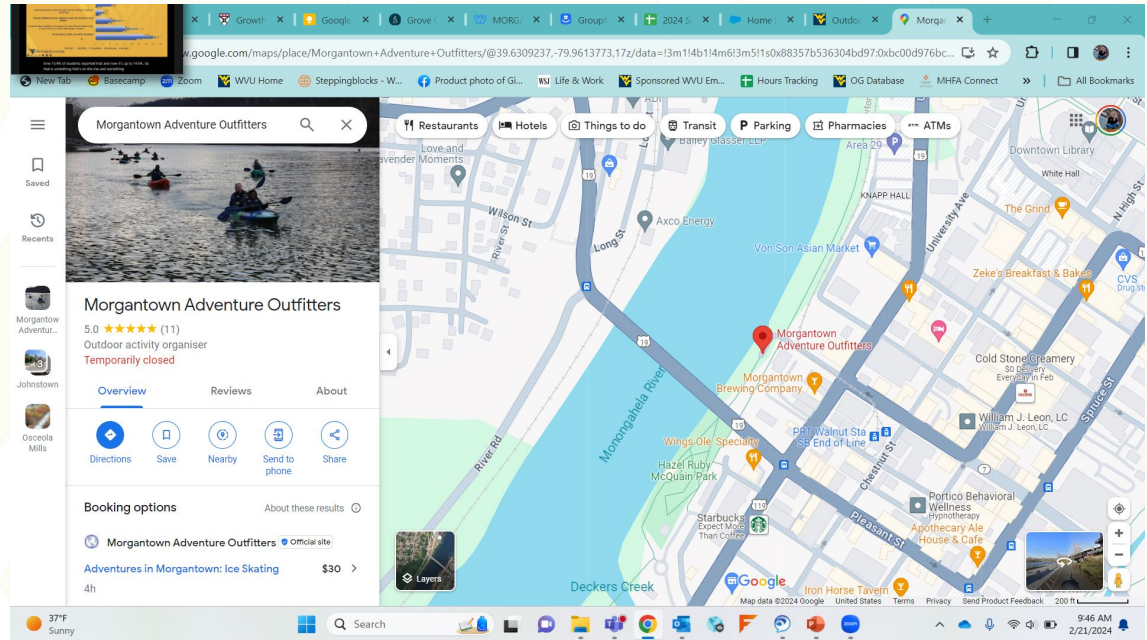
Social Challenges

Join us on Thursday, February 29 for an evening filled with special prize giveaways (including a dining plan, Adventure WV trips, Mountaineer Maniacs memberships and more!) in real-time social media challenges. Stop back closer to The Great Day for contest details, and make sure to read the [terms and conditions](#) and [our FAQ](#).

Check back on February 29 for all of the details!

- 2 First-Year Trips
- 2 Fall semester single day or overnight guided trip (with a pass for a friend)
- 2 Spring semester single day or overnight guided trip (with a pass for a friend)

Morgantown Adventure Outfitters





- Available to all faculty, students, and SRC members
- Ability to sponsor (1) person when renting for self

Outdoor Education Center

- Custom Programs
- Leadership and Teambuilding
- Bring Everyone Together



Overnight Programs

- Summer Camps
- Retreats
- Conferences



Zipline Canopy Tour

- Unique to WVU
- Open to Everyone!
- Easy online booking



Thanks for listening!

Questions?