

# BIG ROCK ADVENTURE – CANDY MOUNTAIN RESORT

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Welcome to Big Rock Adventure! Enclosed is a waiver and some suggestions for preparation as you look forward to your adventure! Everyone should fill out a waiver form, even if they are not planning to participate. Have the waivers signed and turn in upon arrival at the course. Please make as many copies as needed. You do not need to be an athletic person to have a great experience! However, a good night's rest, a healthy meal, and some stretching will help.

## **Attire:**

- **Ropes Course** - Dress in comfortable, non-restricting clothing. Long pants are recommended. You will find that loose fitting pants, high necked t shirts, and tennis shoes are the best attire for fun on the ropes course. (No open toed or open heeled shoes please) Jewelry is not recommended. Bring extra clothing appropriate for the weather.
- **Whitewater** - Dress to get wet! No flipflops. Water shoes or sandals with back straps are recommended. Hats and sunglasses are acceptable but wear at your own risk.

**What to Bring?** Cameras, rain gear, sunscreen, and insect repellent are suggested. We have a drinking fountain and two public restrooms for participant use. We provide all the climbing equipment needed, so encourage participants to leave their personal climbing gear at home.

**Directions:** We are conveniently located on Historic Highway 89, just off Interstate 70, on the border between Sevier and Piute Counties. Take Interstate 70 to Exit #23 for Highway 89 (Marysville, Panguitch, Bryce Canyon) and head south on Highway 89 for about 7 miles until you come to Big Rock Candy Mountain Resort.

**Time:** Please be here on time. Our staff members are scheduled only for the time you are. If you are late, we cannot extend your time.

## **Reservation – Deposit – Cancellation Policies**

- A 25% non-refundable deposit is required to secure your reservation.
- At least 10 days prior to your event you must declare the number of participants. This declaration of attendance is necessary to schedule staff and schedule the day's events.
- If more participants come than previously reserved for, the invoice will be adjusted, and final payment can be made the day of the event.
- If you schedule an event within one week of the activity, the numbers are final, and you will be charged for the reserved number plus any additional participants.
- You may reschedule your event up to 30 days prior your event with no penalty. Rescheduling within 29 days prior your event will cost the 25% deposit. The reason you will lose your deposit is that we may end up with an empty day because we told other groups they could not come because you had it reserved.
- Ropes course programs run rain or shine unless inclement weather (lightning, strong winds) become a safety concern. A light to moderate rain is seen as merely another challenge to overcome on the course, rather than a hindrance. Participants will be notified of cancellation or rescheduling. If CLAS Ropes cancels the reservation we will issue 100% refund. No refunds will be issued for no shows.
- We will run whitewater trips if daily river flows exceed 190 CFS. We have no control over daily river flows. If there is not enough flow or if high flows create a hazardous environment, a substitute adventure package of greater value or refund will be issued.

## Mission

Our mission is to improve personal effectiveness and group dynamics through comprehensive experiential challenges.

Big Rock Adventure is a unique series of team building exercises nestled in a park setting along the Sevier River. Through hands-on challenges and experiences your team will internalize concepts like problem-solving, leadership, communication, conflict resolution, group cooperation, trust, teamwork and self-confidence. Following each activity, group discussion generates analogies to life topics, helping to increase understanding and strengthen character.

Our aim is to allow the participants to view themselves as increasingly capable and competent. By attempting a graduated series of activities which involve physical or emotional risk and succeeding (or sometimes failing) in a supportive group atmosphere, an individual may gain confidence in himself/herself and others.

Each activity is based on the assumption that anyone who conscientiously tries will be successful. Success is in making an effort. A cooperative, supportive atmosphere tends to encourage participation. The use of teams, points, and timed competition has consciously been minimized to allow participants to succeed without fear of failure.

## Safety

*Ropes courses are very safe.* Extreme caution is taken to ensure safe involvement. Every system has a backup system and redundancies that support the participant. All high ropes activities require the participant to be harnessed wearing a helmet and attached to a safety line. Participating in a ropes course is normally safer than driving your car or playing soccer. Here are some interesting statistics:

Activity (20 year study)	Accident Rate/Million
Soccer	4,500
Automobile Driving	60
PE Classes	9.6
Ropes Courses	4.3

*Project Adventure, Safety Manual, 1991.*

We require all safety gear to be up to standards for whitewater rafting and the lazy river float, including whitewater PFD's, paddles, and rafts. Our guides are trained and certified by the state of Utah. We are a licensed outfitter with the state.

The liability forms you sign are required by legal entities and insurance companies. You sign similar forms when you rent recreational equipment or when you go to a climbing gym. Don't be scared by the language used to inform participants about all conceivable risks.