

Expanding horizons and building new relationships help people envision a positive future. We help each other grow when we look beyond what we already know and imagine new possibilities. This involves trying new things, going new places, and meeting people, which describes **expanding possibilities, the fifth and final piece of the Developmental Relationships framework.**

Through connecting with other people, places, and experiences, you can:

- Explore new possibilities and find new opportunities.
- Learn about **how the world works** and how to make your way. This includes education, work, housing, health services, and civic life.
- Learn how to hold meaningful, responsible roles in society.
- **Discover more about yourself** and what matters. By interacting with new people and places.
- **Develop allies** who look out for you, particularly when faced with crises, prejudice, or other barriers.
- Learn to respectfully engage with new **cultures and nationalities**. This is good for individuals and society.

Tips for Expanding Possibilities:

- 1. Do a volunteer service activity together. Ask an important person in your life for ideas of causes or places where they would like to volunteer.
- 2.

Find opportunities for your child to spend time with people who are different from your family.

3. Introduce your friend to new music, art, or activities.

Relationship builder activity: Different from us

Introduce an important person in your life to a person, a family, or a community or an organization that comes from a culture different from their own. You can visit community festivals, restaurants and museums to expand their perspective. Share that meeting people who are different from ourselves can make life more interesting and helps us get along better with others in our world. Discuss ways that this new culture is similar and ways that it is different from their own.

<u>Click HERE</u> to learn more about how to expand possibilities and how connections help youth find their full potential.



Program Updates

We are excited to invite you to participate in our end of year giving campaign: <u>One Camp Fire for All: Sometimes a Single Spark is All It</u> <u>Takes!</u>

While there are many ways you can support our community, we're asking everyone to give generously before year's end to keep the Camp Fire Spark shining bright in 2022. Your support of any amount will help us to reach our goal of providing living wages and benefits for staff and scholarships for Before & After School and Camp. Join us by <u>setting up your own fundraising page</u>, <u>making a donation today, or simply sharing on your social media</u>. Together we can make life changing youth programming accessible to more! All it takes is one spark.

GIVE TODAY

Teen Programs is seeing programs full among most of our school sites! Even in full program spaces there are more students asking to join. **We're seeing more students then ever looking to join the Camp Fire community!** Since the beginning of October program has been back in person for middle and high schools. School principals and staff have shared their gratitude toward Camp Fire for being their for youth in this unprecedented time.

Camp Namanu summer 2022 registration has opened! A record breaking number of campers are signing up early so don't hold off on signing up your camper for a memorable summer. Camp's financial assistance application can be found online, as well as applications for our camp leadership opportunities. Gears and CIT applications are due December 15th, 2021. Learn more and register today!

REGISTER FOR SUMMER 2022

With the generous support of the Multnomah Athletic Foundation (MAC), we are working harder than ever to make Camp Namanu a safe and inclusive place for all kids! Together with the MAC and other community partners, we're offering "camperships" for folks from the LGBTQI2S community to get involved with athletics at Camp Namanu like swimming, boating and rock climbing. All kids deserve chance to build confidence and character through outdoor experiential education including athletic activities.

Before & After School Full Day Programming is available and open for registration for the coming in-service days at Portland Public schools. To learn more about dates and registration deadlines visit: <u>campfirecolumbia.org/full-day-programming</u>



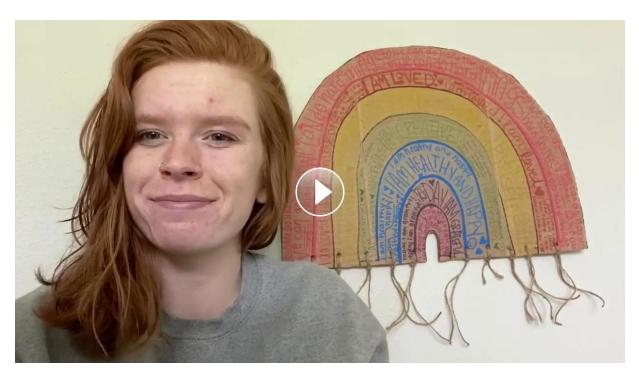
Fun Activities!



Book of the month: *Trans Teen Survival Guide* by Owl & Fox Fisher. Frank, friendly and funny, this must-read guide is packed full of advice from authors who understand the realities and complexities of growing up trans. Readers will come away empowered and armed with practical advice on how to navigate everything from coming out, clothes and pronouns, to wearing binders or packers, hormone therapy and self-care.

To win this book reply to this email and share with us how someone encouraged you to expand the possibilities of your life!

Activity of the month: Rainbow crafting!



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Events

Portland Indigenous Marketplace: November 26th from 10 am - 4 pm, online at <u>indigenousmarketplace.org</u>. Portland Indigenous Marketplace supports indigenous artists and entrepreneurs by providing barrier-free, culturally respectful spaces that encourage cultural resilience and economic sustainability by promoting public education through cultural arts. Join them for Black Friday from the comfort of anywhere!

Wild Arts Festival: November 20-21 from 10 am - 5 pm at Portland State's Viking Pavilion . An anticipated 65 artists and authors will come together for the 41st annual event, all for the benefit of Portland Audubon. Portland Audubon's Wild Arts Festival celebrates the beauty of the natural world. Ages 12 and under are free. Visit <u>wildartsfestival.org</u> to buy tickets and learn more.

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Friends of Namanu Corner

We are pleased to announce the return of Camp Fire Candy sales to Camp Fire Columbia! We will be holding candy sales from December 1st through January

31st and we invite you to participate in the sale. <u>Campers</u> can sell candy and earn \$ off their registration and help fund camperships for their fellow campers. Others who <u>are not campers</u> can also sell candy, and the revenue from every sale will go toward camperships. Each box of candy will be sold for \$6. There is zero cost to anyone that chooses to sell candy. All sales will be facilitated online and we will have candy pickup dates come March 2022. If you want to learn more about candy sales, complete this interest form and stay tuned for more information!

CANDY SALE INTEREST FORM







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