

Hello AQM Families –

We have exciting plans for camping and rafting at the July 22nd Oakdale meet.

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY NIGHT CAMPING: We have the entire River Journey's private camping area – including the group site and all of the individual sites – reserved for Friday and Saturday nights, July 21 and 22. (<http://www.riverjourney.com/page.cfm?id=camping>). You can camp one or both nights and there is no need to make a reservation, just show up and find a place for your tent. The camping area can accommodate as many as 120 campers so there is plenty of room for tents but some limits on available parking. Gas stoves and briquette bbqs are permitted so it is possible to cook, but there may be restrictions on campfires.

LOCATION: The campground is located in Knights Ferry on Highway 108, about 12 miles east of Oakdale (see hotel info below). It's about 90 minutes from Davis to Oakdale.



KNIGHTS FERRY BRIDGE: The bridge is walking distance from the River Journeys campground and, at 100m (330 feet), the longest covered bridge west of the Mississippi River.

SUNDAY RAFTING & LUNCH: We are also confirmed for an unguided group rafting/float trip down the Stanislaus River on Sunday morning departing from the campground site at 10am. The trip is 3-5 hours depending on the flow of the river and how much we paddle. The trip includes rafting equipment, lunch and transportation back to the campground from the take out point. BYOW (bring your own watergun.) For those who prefer, we will be allowed to breakdown the camp area after rafting.



SATURDAY NIGHT BBQ: A catered tri-tip and chicken BBQ with all the fixins is available Saturday evening at the campground. The Saturday BBQ is available separately for families that do not plan to stay for the Sunday rafting.

SUNDAY MORNING BREAKFAST: You are on your own for breakfast. You can bring food or there is also a restaurant that is a few minutes drive from the campground.

HOTELS: The closest hotels are in Oakdale. The newest are Holiday Inn Express and Best Western. There is a restaurant next door to the Best Western.

ACTIVITIES AND PRICING:

CAMPING FRIDAY AND SATURDAY NIGHT	\$6/person/night, collected at the campsite	
SATURDAY EVENING BBQ ONLY	\$20/person	Group Code #: 201706210005
SUNDAY RAFTING & LUNCH ONLY	\$37/person	Group Code #: 201706210004
SATURDAY BBQ + SUNDAY RAFTING & LUNCH	\$52/person	Group Code #: 201706210003

WHAT TO DO NOW:

Select your activities (choose one group code) and make reservations:

1. Log on to www.riverjourney.com
2. On the right hand corner is a box that says "Add to existing trip" Type in the group code and click submit.
3. Your trip date and discount will show up automatically.
4. Type in the number of guests
5. Fill in your customer information
6. Pay with your credit card
7. Receive your confirmation. If your activities include rafting you will also receive a liability sheet. You will need this the day of the raft trip. Please print and sign the sheet, and give to your group leader (Jeff Leacox) the day of the trip.

WHAT TO DO WHEN WE ARE THERE:

Have FUN!

The campground is located alongside the Stanislaus River. You can play in the river or in the open area around the campground. The river bottom is rocky so you will be happy to have water shoes and floating toys.

The campground is also walking distance from Knights Ferry and the famous covered bridge pictured above. Knights Ferry is named for the ferry boat crossing established by William Knight (<http://malakoff.com/kferry.htm>) at the site surveyed by John Fremont ([http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/John C. Fremont](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/John_C._Fremont)). Knight's Ferry is a fun gold country town that you will enjoy visiting Saturday after the meet, or Sunday after rafting.