CAMPFIRE Adelaide

HACK CLUB

CAMPFIRE ADELAIDE PARENTS GUIDE

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28 Febuary – 1 March

Who are we?

We are a group of teenagers who run hackathons under Hack Club, a 501(c)(3) US based non-profit that teaches and introduces teenagers to CS (Computer Science), Engineering and Robotics.

We have been running hackathons for nearly six months now. Our previous event we ran was Daydream Adelaide, a 2 day game jam where 15 teens came together to create their very first games.

While Hack Club has supported countless global events, including in Melbourne, Sydney and Brisbane, Adelaide has unfortunately been overlooked. This time, we're seeking to increase the presence that Hack Club has in South Australia, and provide a space for students to build projects in teams, and problem-solve, innovate, and create incredible projects and friendships throughout the process.

What is Campfire?

Campfire is a global game jam hackathon organised by high schoolers. Distributed events will run in 200+ cities worldwide on the weekend of February 28th to March 1st.

Some other Campfire events include Sydney, Toronto, Sydney, Boston, Bengaluru, Dubai, Vietnam, and more! It's organised by Hack Club, a non-profit of more than 100,000 teenagers across the world that have a goal of making software, hardware, or anything engineering-related!

What is a hackathon?

Hackathons are often described as coding events, but as Zach Latta (Hack Club's founder) puts it, they're really a vibe. For Hack Club, hacking means problem-solving, innovating, and creating incredible projects and friendships. Our community is made up of coders, makers, and artists brought together through their shared passion for creating.

Hackathons aren't just about the projects you build; they're about the lifelong friendships you make, the songs you sing along to, the all-nighters you pull trying to fix that one bug. They can be life-changing and could be the start of a new passion. They're also a place where you can build something that you're truly proud of.

Game jams are hackathons focusing on game development (think Tetris, Valorant, etc). Game jams connect creators, and let others see the joy in coding that we do.

What will my child do?

At Campfire Adelaide, your child/ren will attend an action-packed hackathon hosted in Adelaide, South Australia at the Tonsley Innovation District (Location on website) with other 13 to 18 year olds. They'll work in a team of up to 3 and will create a game together in any shape or form. It could be a platformer, shooter, clicker game, story, math puzzle or whatever they can make!

Plus they will be limited to next to no rules, we provide all meals and resources and they'll be able to stay up to when they want but it's their journey and game.

What is Hack Club?

Hack Club is a US-based 501(c)(3) nonprofit and network of 60k+ technical high schoolers. Hack Club believes that you learn best by building, so they're creating community and providing grants so you can make awesome projects.

In the past few years, Hack Club partnered with GitHub to foster creativity with Summer of Making and Flavortown, and fund hardware projects with Blueprint. Hack Club has also run and supported countless hackathons and game jams, including one on a train across Canada, another on the Boston harbour, and many, many more!

What if I don't want my child to stay overnight?

If you don't want your child to to sleep overnight or have any other reason, it's totally ok! Once you've registered, please contact us via email (adelaide@campfire.hackclub.com) to ensure that we can make sure that your child/ren are collected safely from Campfire Adelaide.

What's happening?

Date & Time

Campfire Adelaide is set to start at 10:00am on Saturday (28th of January) and will run to around 3-4pm on Sunday (1st of March).

Timetable

The timetable for what's happening is subject to change while we're planning Campfire Adelaide. To ensure you're looking at the latest copy, please check the website (campfire.hackclub.com/adelaide).

Who can attend?

If your child/ren are under 13, we are sorry but they will be unable to attend Campfire Adelaide in regards to the Hack Club Safeguarding Policy, likewise anyone over 18 is unable to attend unless under special circumstances (mentorship or volunteering).

Volunteering/Mentoring

If you are unable to attend Campfire Adelaide and you are wanting to volunteer to help ut or mentor to provide guidance to our youth attendees, please contact adelaide@campfire.hackclub.com for our volunteering/mentorship program.

Meals/Snacks

We have sponsors who have kindly donated money (as well as Hack Club) to help run the event and to ensure that the event runs smoothly. Meals and refreshments (and snacks!) will be entirely provided by us.

*Dietary information must be told to us for catering purposes.

Medical

If your child has a medical circumstance such as allergies or other things we may need to know, please let us know as soon as possible at adelaide@campfire.hackclub.com.

Learning

Your child/ren will learn from other teens alike to make a game they will be proud of in 36 hours. They will learn resilience, game-making, collaboration, positivity plus the opportunity to make new friends. Let their skills shine bright!

Packing List

To ensure the best experience at Campfire Adelaide, please pack the following; Laptop, Laptop Charger, Sleeping Bag, Pillow, Water Bottle, Toiletries, Comfortable clothing (2 days).
Anything extra may be brang **except narcotics, alcohol, NSFW material, vapes/ cigarettes, or anything else of the like.**

Other questions?

Please email our team at adelaide@campfire.hackclub.com.

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