



"It is easier to build strong children than to repair broken men" Fredrick Douglass

Dear Parents and Guardians,

There's an exciting new opportunity available to your sons: The Raven Training for 10- 13 year old boys on the weekend October 15- 17, 2010 at Circle V Ranch near Santa Barbara.

Boys to Men is a non-profit with a 13 year success story of supporting boys through some of the essential transitions in their school career. We are a global organization with over 30 chapters in the US, Canada, the UK, Europe and South Africa. All our mentors are FBI background checked! Those volunteer mentors build a circle of friendship and trust as we support boys to discover their own individual strengths, talents, and gifts. **Fathers of boys are welcome to join the Raven weekend!**

The Boys to Men staff creates an environment of physical and emotional safety where boys can reach new levels of honesty and self-awareness. Through a series of exciting and challenging processes, boys learn for themselves lessons that will serve them for a lifetime. Whether a boy is confident on his path or struggling, he will find Boys to Men opens new opportunities—to develop more clarity, power, and zest for life as he starts on the path to manhood.

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The Raven Weekend is packed with fun, games, adventure, mystery, and stories that thrill the boys, mixing with self-reflection on being appreciated for speaking "my truth" and "just being me". The tuition for the weekend and 6 months of weekly after school mentoring is \$295; however, ... Boys to Men policy is that no boy gets declined for financial reasons. We make scholarships available. A maximum of 20 spots are available for boys age 10- 13.

Please check out our Web Site www.boystomenCCC.org for information and registration.

"In the final process of the weekend, my son was asked to pick a man who best represented the man he wanted to become, he picked me. I could barely breathe, tears flowing, shaking. I had no idea." Evan, a grateful Dad

"I've been a school counselor for 20 years and this is the most exciting program I have ever experienced". Spring Valley Unified School Counselor Bruce Crenshaw

If we get it right, you ask a "Young Raven" what the weekend was like for him, the first thing he will say is he had a LOT of fun, secondarily describing things he learned! Play, trust and fun are all important ingredients and a powerful language for learning.