

FAQs

How long will I stay?

That will be discussed at intake

Is this residential placement?

NO - respite is not a placement in a residential facility. Respite is a voluntary program to provide you and your family a break.

Can I go home if I want to?

YES - but this does not mean you can leave that instant. The social worker will call your parent or guardian and arrange a time.

Will I have my own room?

YES - Everyone is assigned their own room

Can I make phone calls or have visitors?

YES - you and your parent or guardian will develop a phone call and visitation list. You will only be allowed to call or be visited by people on that list.

WHAT TO EXPECT

- Program is co-ed with 2 wings for sleeping
- You will attend your same school during your stay (we arrange transportation)
- You can request a respite - ask your parents or enhanced respite social worker
- We have a daily schedule
- You are expected to maintain a clean room
- You are expected to respect respite property-please leave it in the condition you found it
- You will meet with an enhanced respite social worker weekly
- You will have contact with your parent/guardian and social worker weekly
- All guests are expected to be respectful
- No physical or verbal abuse



ENTERTAINMENT

Foosball table, ping-pong table, video game system, and multiple tvs



ALONE TIME

Arts & crafts, library, writing desks, and study spaces



PHYSICAL ACTIVITY

Outdoor basketball court, open gym time, and an in ground pool (open seasonally)



NO CELLPHONES

This is to ensure privacy and confidentiality. This rule is non-negotiable.

WHAT PARENTS SHOULD KNOW ABOUT RESPITE

- All respite referrals need to come from ECDSS (CPS/ Children Services / JDST or Probation)
- Respite is available (21) days at a time
- You will be responsible to drop off and pick up your child for their stay
- You will need to keep in regular contact with your child and social worker
- You are responsible to maintain all medical appointments. You may bring your child back to respite after the appointment
- You need to pick up your child if they no longer wish to stay at respite

WHAT TO BRING

- Medications in original bottles
- Pajamas
- Toiletries: tooth brush, comb/brush, deodorant soap, shampoo, conditioner, etc.
- Clothes: socks, underwear, t-shirt, jeans, etc.

WHAT NOT TO BRING

- Large amounts of money
- Expensive jewelry
- Vape pens, cigarettes, drugs
- Weapons
- Lighters
- A negative attitude - This can be a fun and enjoyable experience

**YOU CAN DO
ANYTHING
YOU SET
YOUR MIND
TO**
-EMINEM

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ABOUT GATEWAY LONGVIEW

Gateway Longview is a non-profit human services organization established in 1890 that provides comprehensive programs focused on behavioral health, community-based services, residential treatment, and special education programs to more than 5,000 children and families annually throughout Western New York. Driven by core values of Integrity, Safety, Empowerment, Diversity and Collaboration through a trauma-informed lens to care, Gateway Longview is committed to build upon individual strengths, creating partnerships that foster hope for the future.



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