

# 10. INTEGRITY CAMPS

## MOBILISE

### IN A NUTSHELL

Fighting corruption doesn't have to be serious business. With integrity camps you can get friends and students together to take on corruption.

Organising a camp is an unconventional way to gather peers from schools or universities together to take part in fun outdoor activities. Camps can be one-day or as long as time permits.

### HOW DO YOU SET IT UP?

- 1. Start planning:** Plan your integrity camp. Decide if it should be held off campus to provide students with a change in scenery.
- 2. Get permission:** Discuss the proposed camp with your school or university leadership (e.g. a principal or faculty leader).
- 3. Identify outcomes:** Decide what you are aiming to achieve at the camp and secure a date. Decide on a venue.
- 4. Logistics checklist:** Plan all camp activities with your organising team: venue location, costs, legal requirements, transportation, accommodation, and staffing roster.
- 5. Find experts:** Develop your activities with an anti-corruption agenda in collaboration with an experienced teacher. Consider bringing anti-corruption experts, officials and activists on board.
- 6. Be creative!** Ensure all activities are participatory and include competitions, use of arts, sports and/or games.

### TIPS FOR SUCCESS

#### Logistics

**At least one month before the camp:** Finalise your camp activities, curriculum, rosters, equipment and so on. You will also need to supply information to students, parents, teachers and staff; organise rosters and activities; brief attendees on everyone's role at camp; and create a camp booklet.

**During camp:** Abide by the rules and responsibilities. Reinforce camp policies, but have fun!

**After camp:** Get feedback from students and evaluate the camp. Write thank you letters to volunteers and organisers. Publicise the camp through networks and media. Decide if your community is ready for an annual camp, and if so, start brainstorming the next event!

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### WHY DO IT?

- Education is effective – more effective than awareness-raising – for instilling values and attitudes, transmitting knowledge and changing behaviour.
- Integrity camps are a great way to present this information – they are designed to be both fun and educational.

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### YOU CAN MAKE IT HAPPEN

- Ensure you work closely with teachers, educational authorities and the educational community to obtain support for your programme.

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### WHAT ARE THE LIMITATIONS?

- For camps lasting longer than one day, money needs to be raised to deliver information and educational programmes. Find local sponsors to help alleviate costs, which can include providing food and drinks, tents, or money.
- Camps require lots of logistical planning and support from your university or school. Ask a teacher or school official to act as a leader and mentor throughout the process.

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## IDEA IN ACTION

### Cambodia: Empowered and Inspired

One hundred and thirty young people from Cambodia gathered in the country's capital to learn innovative ways to promote anti-corruption. The camp, organised by Transparency International Cambodia, featured speakers from the Anti-Corruption Unit, lawyers specialising in transparency, media producers and prominent youth leaders.

Inspired and ready to take on corruption, campers planned how to engage people in their own communities. They also discussed hosting a workshop open to all ages to help others learn about fighting corruption in the country.

Find out more: [blog.transparency.org/2013/02/06/ti-cambodia-youth-camp-in-pictures-empowering-young-people-to-join-the-fight-against-corruption/comment-page-1/](http://blog.transparency.org/2013/02/06/ti-cambodia-youth-camp-in-pictures-empowering-young-people-to-join-the-fight-against-corruption/comment-page-1/)