



# OTE FAQ's

## Minimum Age Requirement

Anyone can participate in an Over The Edge event. The only restriction is that anyone under the age of 18 requires a parent or guardian to be on-site during the event and sign the legal waiver.

## Weight Requirement

Over The Edge's equipment safety standards require that people must be between 100 and 300 lbs. in order to safely rappel.

## Do I need to have rappelling experience to participate?

Not at all! We will coach you and help you to feel comfortable on event day. There will be a "Rappel School" before the descent.

## Fundraising Minimums

(Individual) Minimum \$1,250  
(Team - 3 or more persons) Discounted Minimum \$1,000 per team member

## Are there incentives to raise the most money?

Yes! Once you reach your fundraising minimum you will earn your spot as a rappeller and your Over The Edge t-shirt. Please see the Rappeller Incentives document linked on the website for a detailed list of fundraising benefits.

## What should I wear to the event?

Dress comfortably! More than likely, it will be hot that day. Do not wear overly loose or baggy clothing, or clothing with draw strings. Wear soft-soled, close-toed shoes or sneakers. No short-shorts! (because of harness.)

## Can I wear a costume?

Costumes are allowed but are subject to the same limitations as baggy clothing. Every attempt will be made to safely fit costumes around harnesses and helmets. It is ultimately the decision of the Site Safety Supervisor. Head pieces that will not accommodate a helmet, obscure your vision or are notably large or heavy will rarely be allowed.

## What time will I rappel on August 26?

One week before the event, the rappel schedule will be posted to the HHA OTE Rappellers FB Group. You may request a broad time frame, (am or pm) but we cannot guarantee a time. **All rappellers must join the FB group since it serves as our primary method of communication.**



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**Total number of rappelling spots**

Individuals: 102

**How many stories will I be rappelling?**

14 stories (200 feet)

**Registration Fees? How do they work?**

We require a registration fee which will go toward reaching your fundraising minimum. When you commit, you must take the fundraising minimum seriously because you are taking the place of someone else who would raise the money. Registration fees are non-refundable.

**Fundraising Deadline. What happens?**

If you do not opt for the credit card guarantee, the fundraising deadline is August 11th. However, if you select the credit card guarantee, you have until September 1st to reach the fundraising minimum when your credit card will be charged the balance.

**What if it rains on August 26?**

Rain or shine we are still planning on rappelling. However, if the rain is more like a thunder and lightening storm, we will postpone one day and go over on Sunday, August 27. You will be emailed with an alert if there is any change in the timing of the event, but to be safe, keep both days open.

**Where should I park on the day of the event?**

There is plenty of free parking at Tysons Corner Center. Parking Garage E, along Tysons One Place, is the closest to the Hyatt.

**What will the day of the OTE event be like?**

It will be fun! Rappelling begins at 11 a.m. Each rappeller will be announced when they rappel and cheered when they land. There will be music, food and drinks available for purchase throughout the day. Bring your friends and supporters!

**Can I raise money for HHA and not rappel?**

YES! Register for HHA's Chicken Coop and allow your donations to help others go Over The Edge for HHA.