

Wilderness Ventures
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Application

To apply for one of our expeditions, please submit a \$800 deposit with your completed and signed application. Applications are processed on a first come, first served basis. Because space is limited, we encourage you to send in your application as soon as possible to Wilderness Ventures, P.O. Box 2768, Jackson, WY 83001.

Name Sex: Male Female
Last First Name Preferred First Name

Address Adult T-shirt size: S M L XL
Street City State Zip

Birth Date Age at start of trip Height Weight
Years/Months Feet/Inches Lbs.

Home phone () Fax Number () Applicant's E-mail.....
Area Code Area Code

School Grade completed at start of trip.....

Father's Name (Mr., Dr.)..... Mother's Name (Mrs., Ms., Dr.).....

Father's Occupation Mother's Occupation.....

Address Address

Business phone () Business phone ()
Area Code Area Code

Home phone () Home phone ()
Area Code Area Code

Cell phone () Cell phone ()
Area Code Area Code

Father's E-mail..... Mother's E-mail.....

Does applicant live with: both parents mother father other (please specify).....

Names and ages of siblings.....

If two household family, please mail correspondence to: both parents mother father other (please specify).....

Tuition paid by: both parents mother father other (please specify).....

Program applying for: (name, and dates).....

Second choice (name, and dates).....

References: We require the name and phone number of two teachers, coaches, or advisors who may be contacted as a personal reference.

1. Name of teacher..... E-mail..... Work phone.....(ext.).....

2. Name of teacher..... E-mail..... Work phone.....(ext.).....

Do you have any dietary restrictions? If so, please explain:

Have you participated with Wilderness Ventures before? Which trip(s)?.....

Do you plan on attending with a friend? ___Yes ___No Name

Is the applicant, or has the applicant in the past 24 months been under the care of a physician, psychologist or psychiatrist? ___Yes ___No

Is there any information about your child's physical or mental health that might have some bearing on his/her trip with Wilderness Ventures? ___Yes ___No

If Yes to either of these questions, please explain on a separate sheet of paper.

Please list any prescribed medications the applicant is currently taking or has taken in the past 24 months on a separate sheet of paper.

Briefly tell us why you would like to join WV this summer:.....

How did you first hear about Wilderness Ventures? Catalog Mailing Website School Visit Summer Camp Fair Slide Show News Article Advertisement
 Counselor/Teacher Peterson's Camp Guide Friend/Former Student Camp Referral Service I am an Alumni Mountain Travel Sobek Other

If from another person, please give his/her full name for credit:

I am/my son/my daughter is enthusiastic about participating in the Wilderness Ventures program. We also understand that a fulfilling and enjoyable experience with Wilderness Ventures depends upon a positive attitude, a desire to contribute positively to the whole group, and a willingness to participate enthusiastically in all of the expedition's activities.

We further understand that the use or possession of any form of tobacco, any alcoholic product or any illegal drug will result in the immediate return home, without a refund, at our expense. We have read, understand and agree to abide by the rules, payment schedule, refund policy, application policy, and all other terms as stated in this catalog.

The following person(s) might be interested in receiving this brochure.

This application must be accompanied by a deposit of \$800.00 U.S. drawn on a U.S. bank in order for it to be processed.

Applicant's Signature Date

Parent's Signature Date

For more information call 1-800-533-2281

Terms of Agreement

1. Application Procedure

Applicants for the limited number of openings are processed in their order of arrival. Wilderness Ventures, Inc. (WV) must receive an application signed by either parent or guardian and the applicant, accompanied by a deposit of \$800 U.S., drawn on a U.S. bank which is refundable if the applicant is not accepted.

Mail your completed application and deposit to Wilderness Ventures, P.O. Box 2768-A, Jackson, WY 83001. Since our trips are limited to so few participants, (usually 10 to 13), and because we balance these groups according to age, gender, and geographical origin, most fill in January and early February. Because we cannot hold a space for more than 24 hours, it is advisable to overnight your application (late applications cannot be accepted by fax); please use our P.O. Box for US Postal Service overnight delivery, or our street address 4030 West Lake Creek Drive, Wilson, WY 83014, for Federal Express, United Parcel Service or DHL.

2. Payments, Refunds, and Withdraws

A deposit fee of \$800 must accompany your application, which is refundable if you are not accepted. The balance of your tuition is due upon acceptance, but no later than March 1. After March 1, the full tuition must accompany your application. If you withdraw in writing before March 1, you will forfeit \$500 of your \$800 deposit. If you withdraw after March 1, you will forfeit your entire tuition.

If you leave a trip voluntarily after it starts, there are no refunds. If you are sent home for disciplinary reasons (see rules and regulations) there are no refunds. If you must leave a trip after it starts because of an injury or ailment occurring, we will refund any recoverable funds remaining.

Because most of our expenses are based on total group costs, rather than individual costs, refunds can only be minimal and can only include variable and individual expenses such as food, laundry, and miscellaneous camping fees. It is important for parents to understand that most trip group expenses are committed and are unrecoverable by WV after March 1.

Families are strongly encouraged to participate in our Tuition Refund Plan in order to protect their investment. WV will provide a sample plan upon enrollment.

3. Upon Acceptance

Upon acceptance, each participant will receive general trip information, travel information, a clothing list, reading list, and a medical form.

The medical form must be filled out and signed by a physician certifying that the participant is in good physical and mental condition. The applicant will be supplied with liability release forms from the professional outfitters that Wilderness Ventures contracts throughout the trips. These forms must be signed by the parent/guardian.

4. Tuition Refund Plan

WV offers an optional tuition (trip) refund plan that guarantees a full refund for withdrawal because of a medical emergency prior to the trip's departure, and a pro-rata refund for any individual who becomes injured or seriously ill and must leave the trip before its completion.

5. Expectations

Every Wilderness Ventures student is expected to be positive, motivated, and physically fit with strong leadership and group skills. All students are expected to participate enthusiastically in all of the trip's activities and to shoulder trip responsibilities with a positive attitude.

The programs described in this catalog are all well within the ability range of the vast majority of average young adults who have the desire to participate. Wilderness Ventures makes every effort, through the screening process, to be sure that those accepted into the programs are capable of handling both the mental and physical challenges offered. Ultimately, it is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to assess the appropriateness of these programs for their daughter/son.

Participants who do not possess sufficient desire can become physically and/or mentally unable to safely complete a program. In such case, WV reserves the right to terminate the participation of said individual without a refund.

6. Rules & Regulations

Both parent/guardian and the participant understand that for the health, safety, and welfare of all members of WV, rules and regulations formulated by the staff members of WV must be strictly observed. WV has the right to terminate, without refund, the participation of any member who refuses to cooperate. In this case, return transportation expenses will be paid by the parent/guardian or WV, and the parent/guardian then agrees to reimburse WV for the same. If a participant leaves the group either voluntarily or is sent home by an authorized WV employee, every effort will be made to contact the parent/guardian or emergency contact of the participant. WV will not be held responsible for the participant if these persons are absent at the time WV tries to get in touch with them.

7. Group Placement

Wilderness Ventures conducts multiple sections of nearly all expeditions,

and will place students based on our goal of creating the most compatible groups. For this reason students who apply with a friend must understand that group placement requests (which must be made in writing at the time of application) will be considered, but not guaranteed. Special requests of any kind must be made in writing at the time of application.

8. Waiting Lists

WV will notify all waiting list applicants of their status by April 1.

9. Health Report and Insurance Forms

The applicant will be provided with a medical form by WV to be filled out and signed by a physician and parent/guardian certifying that the applicant is in good physical and mental health. This form must be returned to WV within 30 days of notification of acceptance.

10. Risk / Safety

There is some element of risk involved in all adventure programming related to travel in remote areas and the unpredictable forces of nature. Because Wilderness Ventures maintains the highest standards for staff qualifications, staff training and safety policies and procedures, we have had an excellent safety record. Since 1973, we have never had an injury of a debilitating nature, which is a testament to our high standards. A signed application denotes that the parent/guardian and participant acknowledge this risk. For certain subcontracted activities, an additional signed agreement may be required by a subcontractor and will be forwarded by WV to the participant and parents/guardian in late spring.

11. Medical Treatment

WV shall have the right to give first aid to the participant and to engage the service of a physician or dentist, or to hospitalize a participant if it deems necessary. The cost of such service, including expenses for both the participant and the staff member who accompanies him/her during the period of illness and in rejoining the group, medicines and ambulance service, but excluding first aid service, shall be charged to the parent/guardian and paid by the parent/guardian.

12. Physical Exam Form/Medical History Form Disclosure

Wilderness Ventures reserves the right to terminate, without a refund, the participation of any student whose physical exam form and medical history are found to have been falsified with regard to past treatment for physical, psychological, or emotional disorders.

13. Cancellation & Termination

If the trip is cancelled for any reason prior to its start, WV shall refund all funds paid by the parent/guardian. If during the course of the trip it becomes necessary to terminate such trip, a proportion of the unused moneys will be refunded.

14. Alterations In Itinerary

Our intention is to follow, as precisely as possible, the itineraries as described in this brochure. Severe weather, unusually heavy snow, or high water can necessitate an itinerary change. If an activity or area is deleted for any reason, it will be replaced with a comparable one.

15. Equipment Discounts

Wilderness Ventures has negotiated discounts on outdoor equipment you may need to purchase prior to your venture. Once you are accepted into a WV program, we will send you further details on this exclusive program.

16. Equipment Loss or Destruction

The parent/guardian is to be held responsible for the willful destruction or loss by the participant of any equipment belonging to WV and hereby agrees to reimburse WV for such loss or destruction of equipment. Wilderness Ventures' insurance does not cover the personal property and equipment of participants or staff. Parents should check their own insurance policies to be sure their son/daughter's gear is covered against loss, theft, or damage.

17. Change In Terms Of Agreement

A signed application denotes that the signer understands and agrees that WV reserves the right at any time to retract and change these terms and regulations and other conditions stated within the catalog and other literature printed by WV, and to make any other reasonable terms and regulations and conditions that it deems necessary for the safety and well-being of the participant, his/her parent/guardian, and WV.

18. Personal Property Insurance

WV insurance does not cover the theft, loss, or damage of personal property and equipment of trip participants. We suggest that parents confirm that their insurance coverage includes items of this nature.

19. Governance

In the highly unlikely event a question or dispute arises from this contract, both Wilderness Ventures and the participant, parent or guardian hereby agree that the said question or dispute will be settled within the state of Wyoming, the county of Teton, according to Wyoming law.

20. Model Release

The parent/guardian does herewith authorize and agree to the reasonable and proper use by WV of any and all photographs which may be taken of any aspect of the program and which may include the image of the participant.