



OUTWARD BOUND

YOUTH LEADERSHIP CORPS EXPEDITIONS APPLICATION

WE WANT YOU

Outward Bound is seeking 15- to 17-year old students who demonstrate outstanding leadership qualities in their academic, athletic and social lives to apply for our Youth Leadership Corps Expeditions — merit-based scholarship awards for 14-day summer courses that bring together a diverse team of students representative of your regional community. Offering a one-of-a-kind leadership experience, our specialized curriculum will challenge you to strengthen your own abilities as you motivate each member of your team, push against obstacles within, and experience what lies beyond.

Each course includes rock or rope climbing, camping, map and compass navigation, and a unique solo experience. All participants will take part in reunion activities after their course, adopt a service project within their community, and act as delegates in recruiting new participants throughout the year.

OUR MISSION

Since 1962, Outward Bound USA has offered the highest quality wilderness expedition programs — sailing, backpacking, canoeing and rock climbing — to young people and adults across the country. Baltimore Chesapeake Bay Outward Bound Center and Philadelphia Outward Bound Center weave programs into the fabric of communities through partnerships with schools, local and regional youth-serving organizations and civic leaders. The mission of Outward Bound today remains true to its founding principles: to conduct safe, adventure-based courses structured to encourage growth and discovery and to inspire confidence, self-reliance, compassion and care for the environment.

The Outward Bound Schools are nonprofit, tax-exempt, educational organizations and are approved as 501(c)(3) organizations under the Internal Revenue Code. All contributions are tax-deductible. Outward Bound considers applicants on an equal opportunity basis without regard to an applicant's race, color, creed, religion, sex, sexual orientation, age, disability or any other status protected by federal, state or local law.

HOW DO I APPLY?

Prior outdoor experience is not necessary. All you need is a sense of adventure, a spirit of cooperation, a willingness to try, and a desire to learn about yourself and others.

Please complete and return the following:

- 1) Youth Leadership Corps Expeditions Application *(next panel)*
- 2) An essay including answers to the following questions:
 - *How have you demonstrated leadership in your school, community, or family?*
 - *Describe a challenge in your life and how you rose above it.*
 - *Why do you want to be a part of Youth Leadership Corps?*
- 3) Three (3) Letters of Reference from non-family members
- 4) \$100 Application Fee payable by check to Outward Bound *(refundable if you are not selected for the program)*

Mail all items above to the Outward Bound Center for your region. We will contact you for a personal interview upon receipt.

HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?

Youth Leadership Corps Expeditions are made possible through a variety of funding sources and scholarship funds. All participants receive a full scholarship based on the merits of their application. The only cost to the participant is the \$100 Application Fee. Other costs may include personal clothing and some small expedition items. Outward Bound will supply all expedition-specific clothing, gear and equipment.

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APPLICANT'S INFORMATION

LAST NAME _____

FIRST NAME _____ MI _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ ST _____ ZIP _____

PHONE (DAY) _____ (EVENING) _____

EMAIL _____

SCHOOL NAME _____

SS# _____ DATE OF BIRTH _____

AGE IN JUNE _____ GRADE IN SEPTEMBER _____

MALE FEMALE HEIGHT _____ WEIGHT _____

1ST PARENT OR GUARDIAN INFORMATION

LAST NAME _____

FIRST NAME _____ MI _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ ST _____ ZIP _____

PHONE (DAY) _____ (EVENING) _____

EMAIL _____

2ND PARENT OR GUARDIAN INFORMATION

LAST NAME _____

FIRST NAME _____ MI _____

PHONE (DAY) _____ (EVENING) _____

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- COMPLETED APPLICATION PERSONAL ESSAY
- \$100 APPLICATION FEE THREE (3) LETTERS OF REFERENCE

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