

THE CHUGACH CHILDREN'S FOREST 2013 PRINCE WILLIAM SOUND YOUTH EXPEDITIONS



Greetings, Youth of the Chugach National Forest!



- Interested in learning what it takes to protect Alaska's natural resources?
- Want to kayak among icebergs, seals, and sea otters? Ready to apply your elbow grease to volunteer work projects?
- Think you'd enjoy camping on a beach for 8 nights? Well here is your opportunity – Come try it out!

Apply for the Habitat Restoration Expedition!

Students from around Alaska will spend ten days kayaking, camping, and volunteering in Chugach National Forest. Participants work with US Forest Service scientists and rangers on projects such as invasive species management, marine debris removal, and campsite restoration. Learn about native plants and wildlife from experts. Develop wilderness skills while exploring and having fun in and around Prince William Sound. No experience necessary. This trip is for those who love adventure and a challenge!



GRADE LEVEL: Current 9-12 **OR HOMESCHOOL EQUIVALANT**

EXPEDITION DATES: There are 3 trips to choose from, either May 31-June 9, June 14-23, or July 10-19.



HOW DID I GET SO LUCKY?

Four Valleys Community School has been asked to partner in this project and award three Girdwood, Bird, Indian or Portage students to go on an expedition. If this sounds like the right kind of adventure for you, you're in high school, and you're available for an entire trip, **fill out the application form and return it to Four Valleys Community School by April 5, 2013.** We will set up an interview, and tell you if you are accepted or on the waitlist by 4/20/13.

DEADLINES

Youth and their families are expected to meet the following deadlines to confirm participation:

- Return Application Form to Four Valleys Community School on or **before April 5, 2013.**
- Return Student Paperwork Packet by May 1, 2013. (Mailed to you upon acceptance.)
- Attend a required meeting (via phone if necessary) to discuss trip details (May, Date TBA).



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Student Application Form**

Yes! I'm currently in Grade 9-12 and I would like to participate in one of the Habitat Restoration Expeditions this summer. (Please rank the trips by your preference 1 to 3 or n/a.)

May 31-June 9

June 14-23

July 10-19

Name on official ID - First, Middle, and Last Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____ Current Grade: _____

School you attend: _____

Your Contact Information

Home phone # _____ Your cell # _____ Your email _____

Home address (where you live) _____

Guardian #1 (The best adult to contact: Mom, Dad, Grandma, etc)

Name _____ Relationship to you _____

Address _____

Home phone # _____ Cell phone # _____ Email _____

Guardian #2 (A second adult we can contact)

Name _____ Relationship to you _____

Address _____

Home phone # _____ Cell phone # _____ Email _____

Please list ALL other relevant phone #'s and to whom they belong:

Participant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Return this form to the Four Valleys Community Schools office located in the Girdwood School (PO Box 790, Girdwood, AK 99587). We will submit it to Alaska Geographic.

Once students are nominated and submit an application, we will prioritize participants by those who meet the criteria and by their availability. Accepted students will be contacted by 4/20. Unfortunately, we cannot guarantee that everyone who applies will be able to participate. We will keep an active waiting list in case spots open up. Once accepted, students and guardians will be sent a paperwork packet that must be completed to confirm a spot.