



Outdoor Discovery Series Frequently Asked Questions

Is there paperwork? When is it due?

All participants are required to fill out an application for each program. This ensures that your information is up-to-date in our system. Follow the corresponding application links on the website for any program you are interested in joining. Please read through and fill out the entire *Application Packet*; there are several places on the application that require signatures and initials from BOTH parents/legal guardians and youth. Please review your application for completeness before submitting to GCY. A completed application is required to secure your spot.

How much do these programs cost?

All day-trips will cost \$60 per participant. Any 2-day, 1-night trips will cost \$120 per participant. GCY provides financial aid for each trip. Please make sure to fill out and submit the last page of the *Application Packet (Financial Aid Request Form)* to be eligible for an award.

What is the cancellation and refund policy?

GCY reserves the right to cancel any program and/or alter trip dates due to weather, safety concerns and/or any other unforeseeable circumstances. Participants who cancel more than 30 days before trip departure are entitled to a program refund. Participants who cancel 30 days or less from their trip departure date are ineligible for a refund.

How do I find out more about available programs?

Follow the link on our website to the Outdoor Discovery Series Program Catalog for more details. We are also available to take your calls Monday-Friday from 9am-4pm (928.773.7921).

What can participants expect?

Outdoor Discovery participants will explore a wide variety of both wilderness and non-wilderness areas. The level of physical difficulty will vary from trip to trip. Many of the programs will challenge members to try new things and explore new places. While we will encourage everyone to participate fully, we also want all of the members to feel safe and supported.

What is expected of participants?

Positive behavior is important for a successful program. Your willingness to participate and ask good questions will improve the experience for everyone. Come prepared to have a good time, try new things, and fully immerse yourself in the experience. We reserve the right to dismiss a participant without refund and at the expense of the participant, their parents or legal guardians due to any behaviors that compromise the safety and learning environment of the program. Please refer to the personal contract in the *Application Packet* for a detailed list of expectations.

How is safety encouraged on all GCY trips?

At GCY, we believe that most emergencies can be prevented by taking care of one's self and listening to safety guidelines. All of our guides are certified in wilderness medicine (WFR) and will have access to extensive first-aid materials and an emergency communication device on program. If you are nervous about any aspect of the program, please do not hesitate to contact us.