



F.L.O.A.T.V

Great Smoky Mountain National Park

Backpacking Trip ~ June 27 - July 3



Application Form and payment **due May 11, 2018 by 4:00 p.m.**

(please print)

Student's Name _____ Grade completing _____
 Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Daytime Phone Number _____ Evening Phone Number _____
 E-mail _____

Do you have any health or dietary restrictions (allergies, medications, physical limitations).

We can only take ten campers on the trip. Individuals who express the greatest desire and need to attend this year's camp, along with the person(s) we feel will benefit the most from this experience, will be chosen. If you are not selected this year, you may (and are encouraged to) apply next year. Payments from accepted applicants are non-refundable!

Letter of Support

In addition to answering the questions on this form, you will need to provide a letter of support written by an adult who knows you well. All responses will be kept confidential.

Questions (please answer these questions on a separate sheet(s) of paper)

1. Why do you want to go on this trip?
2. Of the various challenges that this trip presents, (physical, social-emotional, maturity/responsibility, intellectual) which do you see as most challenging for you? Why?
3. What past camping/backpacking or wilderness experiences have you had?
4. Backpacking can be a solo adventure; however, backpacking as a large group requires teamwork. What do you feel you have to offer your fellow campers? When have you worked in a team situation and been successful?
5. In Iowa there is very little wilderness left, so for that reason we are traveling almost 2000 miles. What do you think you will gain from this trip and how will it benefit our natural areas back home?
6. When venturing into backcountry, many luxuries are left behind. What do you think you will miss the most and why?

Send your completed application and payment of \$350 to:

Applicants will be notified by May 15 regarding their selection for camp.

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