



Thank you for your interest in the Wilderness Adventures Financial Aid Program. Each summer we award financial aid to a handful of students from around the world. We accept applications on a rolling basis. Once we have received your completed application (including the 2 references that WA will collect your behalf) we will confirm receipt and provide a general timeline for gifting.

### **Gifting Period**

While we encourage students to apply for financial aid early, financial aid gifts are not typically awarded until after January 1. If you are awarded and accept a financial aid offer, a \$500 deposit and a formal application on our website is due at the time of sign up. We ask that you consider three different trips you are interested in, as we can not guarantee your first choice.

To apply for this program, please complete the following:

1. The Wilderness Adventures Financial Aid application (2 pages)
2. The first page of your federal tax return(s).
3. A parent statement explaining why WA will be a good fit for their child and any other circumstances we should be aware of.
4. An essay written by the student (250 words or less) explaining why they want to go on a Wilderness Adventures trip.
5. If you are offered financial aid, at the end of the summer you will be asked to reflect upon your experience with Wilderness Adventures. We will send you information on this after your trip.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to give our office a call at 307-733-2122 or email us at [info@wildernessadventures.com](mailto:info@wildernessadventures.com).

Sincerely,  
Tom and Catherine Holland  
Owners/Directors



## 2020 Financial Aid Application

Please complete this form and return it to the Wilderness Adventures office with all the required forms. If you have any questions, please call us at 307.733.2122 or email us at info@wildernessadventures.com.

### Student Information

Student's Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_ Age at start of trip \_\_\_\_\_ '19/'20 School Grade \_\_\_\_ Gender \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever participated in a Wilderness Adventures trip?  yes  no If yes, which trip? \_\_\_\_\_

Has a sibling ever participated in a Wilderness Adventures trip?  yes  no If yes, which trip? \_\_\_\_\_

Have either of your parents ever participated in a Wilderness Adventures trip?  yes  no If yes, which trip? \_\_\_\_\_

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

Are you on any prescription medications? If so, explain: \_\_\_\_\_

### Trip Preference

Please list the top three trips that you are interested in obtaining financial aid for:

1. Program Name \_\_\_\_\_ Start Date \_\_\_\_\_ End Date \_\_\_\_\_

2. Program Name \_\_\_\_\_ Start Date \_\_\_\_\_ End Date \_\_\_\_\_

3. Program Name \_\_\_\_\_ Start Date \_\_\_\_\_ End Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate the dates that you are available during the upcoming summer: \_\_\_\_\_

### Reference Information

WA will reach out to references on your behalf. Please provide contact information below for 2 references. These must be school references (teacher, coach, etc.). Personal references will not be accepted.

1. Reference Name \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

2. Reference Name \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Applicant \_\_\_\_\_



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### Financial Information

1. What was your family's total Adjusted Gross Income for 2019? \_\_\_\_\_  
(Adjusted Gross Income is on IRS Form 1040-Line 37; 1040A-Line21; or 1040EZ-Line1)

2. Please attach a copy of the first page of your most recent tax return(s). If parents file separate returns, both must be included. Financial applications submitted before March 15, 2020 may use 2018 tax returns. Please attach an additional page to explain any changes experienced in 2019 if necessary. **Please BLACK OUT all social security numbers.**

### Financial Worksheet

We understand that each WA program incurs different costs for the participant including the trip tuition, supplies, and travel. Using the 3 trips selected on page 1, please indicate your financial aid request below for each trip.

\*Please note that financial aid gifts can only be applied to trip tuition. Travel and supplies are the responsibility of the family.

Trip 1: _____	Trip 2: _____	Trip 3: _____
Tuition: \$ _____	Tuition: \$ _____	Tuition: \$ _____
Financial Aid Request: \$ _____	Financial Aid Request: \$ _____	Financial Aid Request: \$ _____
Family Obligation: \$ _____	Family Obligation: \$ _____	Family Obligation: \$ _____

### Parent Statement

Please attach a statement from a parent explaining why you and your child chose Wilderness Adventures, why it is a good fit, and any other circumstances we should be aware of.

### Student Essay

Please attach an essay (250 words or less) explaining why you want to participate on a Wilderness Adventures trip.

Please return all the forms by email to [info@wildernessadventures.com](mailto:info@wildernessadventures.com) or mail to:

Wilderness Adventures  
Attn: Financial Aid  
P.O. Box 2768  
Jackson Hole, Wyoming 83001

### Please sign below

The information above, on the attached forms, and on the enclosed federal tax return(s) is to the best of my knowledge accurate and complete.

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_