



# American Wilderness Leadership School

## 2004 Student Application

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June 24 - July 1, 2004

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### The Program

In 1976, SCI, in an effort to promote Conservation as a way of life, began the American Wilderness Leadership School Program. The mission of the school is to offer a national and international outdoor instructional program that concentrates on natural resource management and provides the participant a base of knowledge to better comprehend and evaluate today's and future conservation issues.

The American Wilderness Leadership Program offers an eight-day wilderness experience in the Gros Ventre Wilderness area, within Bridger-Teton National Forest at its school near Jackson, Wyoming.

The individuals accepted in this program will encounter challenging experiences in the fields of ecology, natural resource management and conservation, together with instruction in backpacking, hunter safety, fishing, shooting sports, wilderness survival, outdoor ethics and whitewater rafting. The cost of sponsoring individual participants is \$800 with the sponsor or parent arranging and paying round trip airfare or ground transportation expenses. Transportation from the Jackson Airport to the school is provided.

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### Facilities

The Wyoming site is an American Camping Association accredited Conference Center surrounded by the marvelous beauty of the Gros Ventre Wilderness area within Bridger-Teton National Forest.

Granite Creek flows near the Joel Loveridge-Jim Conklin Education Complex which provides a professional quality kitchen, dining room, instruction and dormitory facilities in addition to nine staff cabins and six support buildings. Linens, pillows, and towels are provided.

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### Qualifications

To be considered for the American Wilderness Leadership School Program, a candidate must:

Be presently enrolled as a high school student, 16-18 years of age.

Have demonstrated an interest in conservation issues and concerns.

Have satisfactory grades in school.

Have demonstrated an ability to work and communicate effectively with others.

Submit a minimum of three letters of recommendation.

Submit a 500 word statement as described in this application, if seeking local SCI Chapter Sponsorship.

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**Fill Out Completely (Please Print)**

NAME: FIRST	MIDDLE	LAST	MALE	FEMALE
ADDRESS		APARTMENT NUMBER		
CITY/STATE/ZIP		DATE OF BIRTH		
E-MAIL		HOME PHONE (INCLUDE AREA CODE)		

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**Qualifications**

Main field of career interest.

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What previous outdoor experience have you had? (give full details including dates, locations, time in field)

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List special skills, experience, certifications or hobbies you have that could be useful and/or shared with other participants. (photography, first aid, hunting, fishing, camping, mountaineering, etc.)

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List school and community organizations in which you are currently active along with any leadership position you may have held.

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Three letters of recommendation are to be included with this application form. One letter should come from a school teacher or administrator, and the others from adults within the community.

If you are applying for a sponsorship by the local SCI Chapter, attach a statement of approximately 500 words giving your reasons for wanting to participate in the program. Include information on how you believe the experience will contribute to your education and/or career objectives.

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**Important Information**

Please read before you make your travel arrangements

Arrange your travel to arrive at the school or at the Jackson, WY Airport for pick up on Thursday, June 24, 2004 the first day of the workshop. Schedule your departure on Thursday, July 1, 2004 the last day of the workshop.

If available, please arrange airport arrival and departure between the hours of 9:00 am and 4:00 pm.

**Applicant's Signature**

I am presently in good health and know of no personal or physical limitation that would prevent my full participation in the American Wilderness Leadership Program. If selected, I will fill out the medical history form provided with the acceptance letter and return it as soon as possible to the Tucson office. I will be available to participate in the American Wilderness Leadership Program as indicated above, and agree to obey such rules as established by the American Wilderness Leadership Program. If selected for sponsorship by a local SCI chapter, I would be willing to participate in a presentation reporting on my experiences to my sponsoring chapter and or other interested group when I return home.

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

Note: parent/guardian waiver on this form must be signed

**Parent/Guardian's Waiver**

I, as a parent or guardian, am willing and desirous that my son or daughter participate in the American Wilderness Leadership School. In consideration of benefits derived from this honor, if accepted, I hereby voluntarily waive all claim against SCI, SCI Foundation and leaders for any and all causes which may arise in connection with the activities of the above organizations.

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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**Local SCI Chapter Information**

The following information is to be completed by the local Chapter to signify participation in providing sponsorship. Please mail the application to the address provided below. If no Chapter information is provided, mail to SCI Foundation, Education Department, 4800 West Gates Pass Road, Tucson, Arizona 85745-9490.

SPONSORING CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT PERSON \_\_\_\_\_

TITLE \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

CHAPTER PRESIDENT \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

EDUCATION REPRESENTATIVE \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

**Chapter Selection Committee**

This applicant is sponsored by our Chapter for the 2004 American Wilderness Leadership School.

EDUCATIONAL REP. SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

CHAPTER PRESIDENT'S REP. SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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## How to Apply

### SCI Chapter Sponsorship (\$800)

Individuals who meet the qualifications should fill out the application, attach letters of recommendation, and a 500 word statement conveying your reason for wanting to attend the American Wilderness Leadership School Program, and how the experience would benefit your educational and career objectives. Submit your completed application and attachments for consideration to the SCI Chapter listed by April 15, 2004, or earlier if so specified by the Chapter. Successful applicants will be notified no later than May 1, 2004.

Applicants seeking sponsorship from participating SCI Chapters will be selected by local selection committees. Final selections will be based without regard to race, color, creed, handicap, sex or national origin.

### SCI Dependent Self Sponsorship (\$800)

Same requirements apply as stated above for a Chapter Sponsorship with the exception that a 500 word statement is not needed. Submit a completed application to SCI Foundation, 4800 West Gates Pass Road, Tucson, AZ 85745. The application should be submitted by April 15, 2004 along with a \$800 check or \$100 deposit with remaining \$700 payable by June 1st. The deposit will be refunded if your notice of cancellation is received in the Tucson office by June 1, 2004.

### Non-Member Self Sponsorship (\$900)

Same requirements and mailing instructions apply as stated for SCI Dependent Self Sponsorship. An application should be submitted by April 15, 2004 along with a \$900 check or \$100 deposit, payable to SCI Foundation, with the remaining \$800 payable by June 1, 2004. The additional \$100.00 includes a one-year membership to SCI. The same deposit refunding information from above applies.

Note: Students are eligible to attend the American Wilderness Leadership School Student Program one (1) time only.



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