

Wilderness Expeditions Staff Application Process

We are glad you are interested in serving on the staff of Wilderness Expeditions, Inc. **Wilderness Expeditions, Inc. is the outfitting contractor chosen by Wilderness Trek Christian Camp to conduct its summer programs.** Serving for a summer as a staff member is a challenging, yet very rewarding, opportunity.

Twenty-two (22) to twenty-five (25) staff members are hired each summer. Depending on how many staff members return from the previous year, Wilderness Expeditions, Inc. may need to hire as few as 5 new staff members or as many as 12 from the many applications submitted.

The application process is simple.

Step One: Complete the **Wilderness Expeditions Prospective Staff Information Form** and mail it to: **Tommy Query, Wilderness Expeditions, Inc., 7870 W. Hwy. 50, Salida, CO 81201.**

Step Two: Write a personal letter to **Tommy & Kristi Query, Wilderness Expeditions, Inc., 7870 W. Hwy. 50, Salida, CO 81201.** In your letter include the following:

A brief description of yourself, age, your interests, current & previous educational and service experiences

Your future plans (i.e. vocation, service opportunities, personal goals, etc.)

Why you want to serve on the staff of Wilderness Expeditions?

How we can get in contact with you (mailing address, phone numbers, e-mail address)

Please include a recent photo of yourself (appreciated but, not required)

If you know a former Wilderness Expeditions staff member, please ask them to send a letter of recommendation for you (not required).

Step Three: After your information form is received you will receive an acknowledgement from **Tommy or Kristi Query**, owners of Wilderness Expeditions, Inc., via e-mail or by phone. If there are further questions, the Querys will contact you. The deadline for submitting personal letters is January 31 of the year you are applying for employment. **If you are to be considered for a phone or personal interview you will be contacted no later than February 15. If you are not contacted by February 15, it means you are not going to be considered for a position on the summer staff.**

Step Four: If you are to be considered for employment you will receive a personal interview (in person or by phone). After the interview, if you are to receive further consideration, you will receive an application form in the mail. Please complete this form and return it immediately to: **Tommy & Kristi Query, Wilderness Expeditions, Inc., 7870 W. Hwy. 50, Salida, CO 81201.**

All those hired must comply with the following:

1. Arrive in Colorado ready to start no later than the next to last Monday of May. Be available for full-time employment through the first Saturday of August.
2. Have already completed and received certification for *American Red Cross Basic First Aid* and *Adult CPR*. You must pay for this certification yourself. (Cost: approximately \$ 35).
3. If you plan to bring a personal vehicle to Colorado, provide upon arrival a valid driver's license and proof of liability insurance for your vehicle. If you are asked to use your vehicle to transport yourself and other staff members to and from trail heads you will receive reimbursement for your mileage. Your vehicle must be safe and in good running condition.
4. Participate in a 1-2 week training course provided by the Wilderness Expeditions, Inc. held two weeks prior to the start of Wilderness Trek's summer program.
5. Pass a written test regarding the current Wilderness Trek™ Safety Policy. You will be given a copy of the Safety Policy prior to the test.
6. Read and be prepared to lead a series of spiritual training activities consistent with the purpose of Wilderness Trek Christian Camp. You will receive a copy of the Wilderness Trek™ journal at least 30 days prior to your arrival in Colorado.

If you have questions concerning the application process, please contact **Tommy Query** at: **719-488-8586** or by e-mail: **weclimb@hotmail.com**.

Wilderness Expeditions, Inc. Prospective Staff Information Form

This is not an application for employment. This form, along with your personal letter submitted to **Tommy and Kristi Query** (owners, Wilderness Expeditions, Inc.), is intended to provide information to help us determine whether or not you are a prospective candidate for a staff position.

If you are to be considered for a phone or personal interview, you will be contacted no later than February 15. If you are not contacted by February 15, it means you are not going to be considered for a position on the staff this coming summer.

Please complete all the information below and mail this form, along with a recent picture of yourself, to:
Tommy Query, Wilderness Expeditions, Inc. 7870 W. Hwy. 50, Salida, CO 81201

(First name)	(Middle Initial)	(Last name)	(Date of birth)
(Mailing address)		(City)	(State) (Zip)
(Day time phone)		(Evening phone)	
(E-mail address)		(Name of college or university, if full or part-time student)	
(Home church)	(City)	(State)	(Zip)

Reference (professor, minister or someone who could tell about you)? _____

How could we contact them? _____

Current employment status: (check as many as apply)

Full-time student – Scheduled to graduate: _____ Full-time employed – Where? _____

Part-time student Part-time employed – Where? _____

Have you ever participated in led groups of teens on wilderness trips before? If so, please describe your experience. What did you gain/learn from the experience?

What service activities have you been involved in during the past five years?
