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Outdoor Adventures Educator Incentive Fishing Kayak

**Goal = 50 New Schools by
July 1**



Recruit a new school and receive a chance for a new fishing kayak! Every School joining Outdoor Adventures with an approved Purchase Order will earn the recruiting teacher one chance for the fishing kayak. Recruit 1 school – receive 1 chance. Recruit 3 schools – 3 chances. Recruit 10 schools – 10 chances, etc. All chances will be placed in a bin and the OTF Chairman will draw the winner. Kayak will be shipped directly to the teacher's home address.

- Incentive is open to all current Outdoor Adventure teachers across the country!
- Promotion Starts Feb 1, 2017 and ends June 1, 2018
- Winner will be drawn at the OTF's Annual General Meeting June 2019 (date tba).

But wait there is more!

With the first school recruited, receive an OTF gift. Gifts will range from an OTF hat, shirt, bag, umbrella, rod/reel, Dutch Oven, etc.

How to recruit:

Tell all your coaching buddies, Ag. teacher friends; fellow educators; principals; curriculum directors; superintendents; school board members and any school decision makers.

Share with them the following:

- Outdoor Adventures is an approved P.E. curriculum aligned to the National P.E. standards.
- Outdoor Adventures curriculum is used in Ag. Science Wildlife Management courses.
- Outdoor Adventures improves daily attendance, encourages extracurricular activities, improves self-esteem.

Contact Scot McClure scot@GoOTF.com for more details and additional recruiting materials.



conservation V I S I O N S[®]

Conservation Visions/Shane Mahoney has just released a new film vignette - ***Eating Eden to Extinction*** - which discusses the African bushmeat crisis, the most immediate threat to the future of wildlife in Africa (even more detrimental to wildlife conservation than habitat loss, according to USFWS). **This film is highly relevant to the Wild Harvest Initiative[®]**. As we move forward with the WHI Program, we will engage more fully with the international sustainable use community, drawing comparisons between the African bushmeat crisis (and similar conditions in other tropical and sub-tropical regions) and the North American historical circumstance, which resulted in the development of the North American Model and the recovery, and sustained existence, of wildlife on the continent. We believe modern wild meat harvests in temperate regions, such as North America, should be studied alongside other regions, and that they are likely to provide valuable insights and help guide solutions to address unsustainable harvests in other parts of the world. Broader international engagement will increase the Wild Harvest Initiative's[®] impact and reach, while showcasing the North American Model as a "best practice example" and garnering significant additional support for sustainable wildlife use, globally, and in North America.

Here is a Facebook link:

<https://www.facebook.com/ShaneMahoneyConservationists/videos/2098957630416772/>

and here is a YouTube link:

<https://youtu.be/tpX0ZGfzgrY>.



Teacher Training

RSVP for each training. I have provided several dates for each training. Please check your schedules and let me know today! The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's Hunter Instructor and Boater Education will require some homework prior to the training. I will review the requirements for each upon your RSVP.

If you need training outside of Texas, contact your state Department of Natural Resources or Scot McClure to assist you in locating training near you. scot@GoOTF.com

TX Outdoor Skills Workshops (Orienteering, Rock Climbing, Dutch Oven Cooking, Birding and much more)
<http://tpwd.texas.gov/calendar/outdoor-skills-workshops-seminars>

NASP – Basic Archery Instructor All NASP Instructor classes anywhere in the United States can be found and can Pre-register at: <https://naspbai.org/classsearch.aspx>

To register for any of the courses below please contact Burnie Kessner, burnie.kessner@tpwd.texas.gov.

Feb. 2, 2019, Seguin, TX

TX Hunter Instructor Classes - <https://tpwd.elementlms.com/> Select Hunter and then Hunter Instructor and type in your zip code to locate an instructor class.

March 9, San Antonio, TX	June 15, San Antonio, TX
May 18, Waco, TX	Sept 7, San Antonio, TX
	Oct. 12, Austin, TX

TX Boater Education Instructor Classes - <https://tpwd.elementlms.com/> Select Boater and then Boater Instructor and type in your zip code to locate an instructor class.

TX Angler Education Instructor Classes

Feb. 9, 2019, 9:00-3:00 PM - Ennis, TX keira.quam@tpwd.texas.gov 469-644-2705

Feb. 9, 2019, 10:00 – 6:00 PM – Weslaco, TX adam.comer@tpwd.Texas.gov 512-389-4472



SUMMER YOUTH CAMP POSITIONS

Outdoor Camps, LLC d/b/a **Outdoor Texas Camps** is excited to enter its 15th year of operation in the Summer of 2019. **Outdoor Texas Camps** (www.OutdoorTexasCamps.com) is the Premier Hunting, Fishing and Outdoor Skills Summer Camp for both Girls and Boys aged 9 – 17 in Texas, and beyond.

Summer Youth Camp Director Wanted

Outdoor Texas Camps is hunting for a New Camp Director for the 2019 Summer Camp Season, and beyond. The Camp Director will be responsible for all aspects of Camp Management and Camp Life including staffing, training of staff, scheduling of activities and management of supplies and equipment. Must be 20 to apply.

Summer Youth Camp Counselors Wanted

Outdoor Texas Camps is hunting for Camp Counselors for the 8 – 10 Camps during our 2019 Summer Camp Season. Our Camp Counselors are responsible for all aspects of managing 4-6 Campers daily activities including waking them up, getting them to their meals and activities on a timely basis, communicating with the Camp Director, and ownership when needed, as well as management of supplies and equipment used. Must be 17 to apply.

Summer Youth Camp Photo-Journalist & Social Media Manager Wanted

Outdoor Texas Camps is hunting for a Camp Photo-Journalist & Social Media Manager for the 2019 Summer Camp Season. The Camp Photo-Journalist & Social Media Manager will be responsible for documenting all aspects of 8 - 10 Camps via Photography, Social Media and Weekly Camp-To-Parent Updates of Camp Life. Must be 17 to apply.

Summer Youth Camp Cook Wanted

Outdoor Texas Camps is hunting for Camp Cook for the 2019 Summer Youth Camp Season. Our Camp Cook will be responsible for purchasing, managing and facilitating 3 meals per day for up to 36 people per week, for 8 – 10 camps/weeks.

For More Information, and/or to Apply, please contact:

Peter S. Velasco at (210) 393-6565 or peter@OutdoorTexasCamps.com

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2019 Creative Writing Competition



- **Essay Contest Sponsored By:** Outdoors Tomorrow Foundation
- **Theme:** Hunting is Wildlife Conservation
- **Eligibility:** Students ages 11-17 currently enrolled in any OTF's Outdoor Adventures school are eligible for participation. Winners of the 2018 contest are not eligible. Applicants must have a Hunter Education certification from their state before attending a camp.
- **Deadline for Entry:** Friday, February 22, 2019.
- **Number of Entries per school:** There is no limit to the number of entries per school.
- **Specifications:** Essay or short story should be double-spaced on white, 8 1/2 x 11 paper, with 1 1/2 inch margins on top, bottom and sides. Typewritten copy is preferred. All essays or short stories must be legible.
- Length should not exceed 1,000 words (four typewritten pages) for short stories, or 500 words (two typewritten pages) for essays.
- Papers should be carefully proofed for spelling, punctuation, capitalization and grammar.
- A completed entry form must be used as a cover sheet and stapled to the essay or short story. Entry must be signed by the Outdoor Adventures teacher. Entry form is on next page. All entries will be accessible for publication to support the Outdoors Tomorrow Foundation mission to teach outdoor education and to promote and fund wildlife conservation worldwide.
- **Judging:** All essays or short stories will be judged in one of two categories: 11-14 age group or 15-17 age group. Applicants will be judged on the use of the theme concept, creativity, neatness, proper grammar and punctuation. Winners of the statewide competition will be notified by phone.
- **Prizes:** In the 11-14 age category: One boy and one girl will receive a scholarship to the Outdoor Texas Camp for hunting during the summer of 2019. Outdoor Texas Camp's hunting camp is a unique, hands-on camp designed for girls and boys aged 9-16. The program covers hunting techniques, shotgun skills, survival, GPS use, tracking and interpreting sign, small and large caliber rifle skills and scoring and aging deer.
- In the 15-17 age category: One student will receive a scholarship to attend the Texas Bobwhite Brigade camp during the summer of 2019.
- Texas Bobwhite Brigade is a wildlife and natural resource-focused leadership development program for youth. Youth are introduced to habitat management, honing their communication skills, and development of a land ethic. The state's leading wildlife biologists and land managers serve as instructors and mentors. Mission is to educate and empower youth with leadership skills and knowledge in wildlife and stewardship to become conservation ambassadors for a sustained natural resource legacy across Texas
More Details on Outdoor Texas Camps and Brigades program on pages 5-7.
- All mailed entries must be postmarked no later than midnight Feb. 22, 2019. Address entries to: OTF, Essay Contest, P.O. Box 543305, Dallas, TX 75354 or email entries to info@GoOTF.com before midnight Feb. 22, 2019.



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Creative Writing Competition

Entry Form

(This form must be attached to the essay/short story)

Student Name: _____

Male ___ Female ___ Grade _____ Age _____

Hunter Education Number _____ State Issued _____

If I do not have a Hunter Education certification and I win, I will get the Hunter Education certification before attending the camp. This is requirement to attend camp. Please initial _____

Home Address _____

City _____ Zip _____ State _____

Phone (____) _____

Parent/Guardian mobile Phone (____) _____

School Name _____

School Address _____

City _____ Zip _____ State _____

School Phone (____) _____

Student's Email Address _____

Parent's Email Address _____

Outdoor Adventures Teacher _____

Outdoor Adventures Teacher email _____

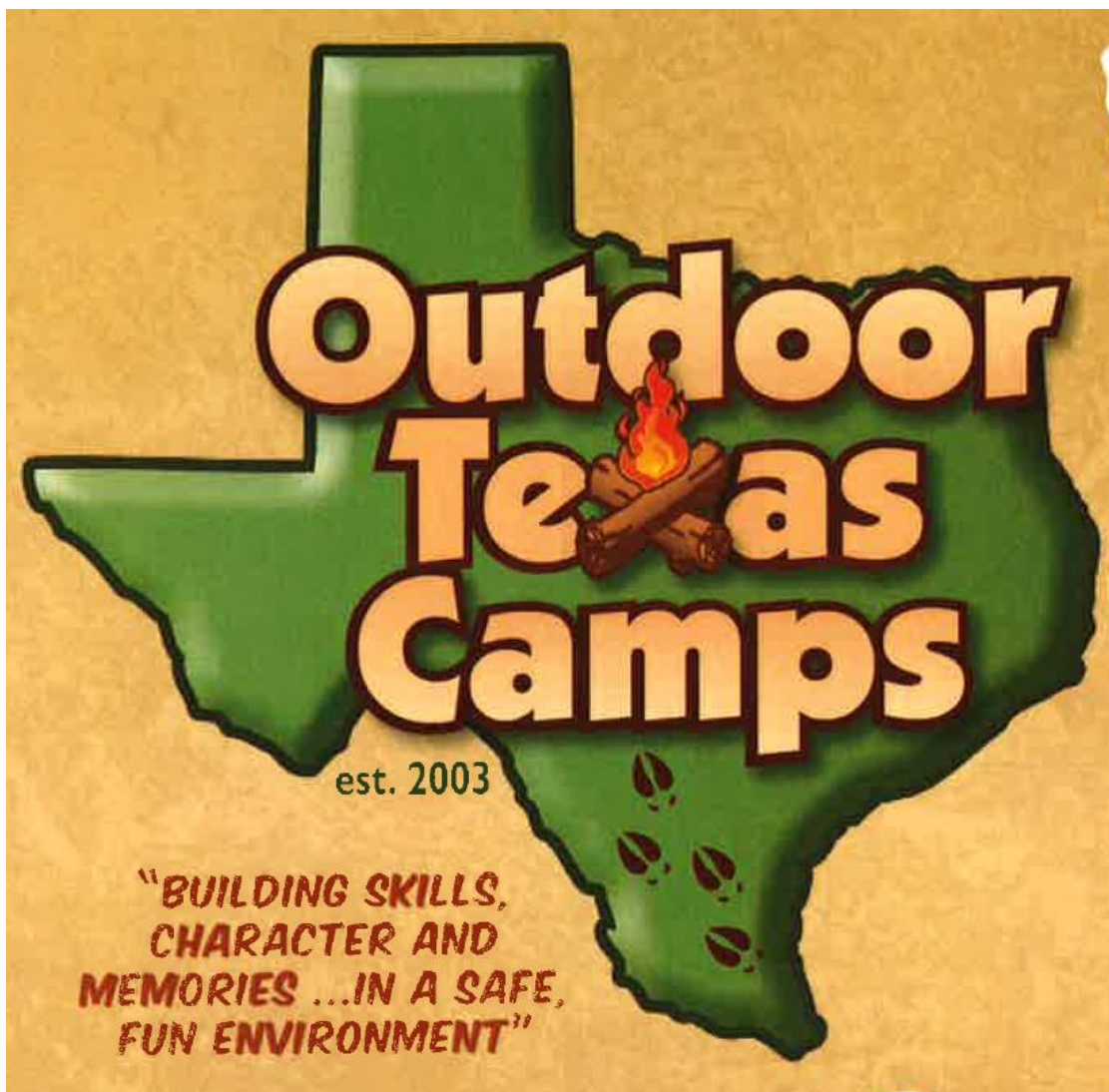
Attached Student work is certified as original.

By: _____ (signature of Outdoor Adventures teacher)

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The 12 year history, and the future of Outdoor Texas Camps has been, and will continue to be dedicated to the belief that understanding and enjoying the great outdoors is a very important part of every person's life. The Outdoor Texas formula includes:

- (1) The **Best Location and Facilities** available for each camp,
- (2) A **Complete and Detailed Course of Study** on each subject taught, and
- (3) An **Experienced Staff of Texas Professionals** to ensure success.

Safety, learning, and fun are the goals of each Outdoor Texas Camp. Most Texas summer camps strive to become larger and larger, with many camps hosting hundreds if not thousands of campers each summer. Outdoor Texas has a very different plan. Outdoor Texas' goals are safety, fun and learning, and Outdoor Texas strongly believes that these goals are far more achievable with a small number of campers per camp. Outdoor Texas Camps have between 12 and 24 campers per week, depending on the camp. These small numbers have the following benefits; 1) personal attention and safety are maximized, 2) one on one instructional time is greatly increased, 3) a family environment is generated – ensuring fun and new relationships. Outdoor Texas is proud to offer the most unique camp experience available in Texas.

CAMP CURRICULUM All of the subjects and activities that are a part of the Outdoor Texas Camps are researched, detailed and executed in the most professional manner possible. The great outdoors of Texas and all of the hunting and fishing opportunities that exist within the state provides an endless teaching potential for the Outdoor Texas Camps. The camp activities are all designed to maintain and achieve the goal of safety, fun and learning.

CAMP INSTRUCTORS All Outdoor Texas Camp instructors are selected based on 1) their knowledge of the subject, 2) their field experience, and 3) their ability to communicate with the campers in a positive manner. The Outdoor Texas staff is no doubt the Best of the Best!

CAMP LOCATION The Outdoor Texas Camp locations are selected on the basis that each represents the best possible camp site in keeping with the Outdoor Texas goals of safety, fun and learning. Each camp site is dedicated to the subject and the activities of that particular camp.

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OUTDOOR TEXAS CAMPS

Since 2003, **OUTDOOR TEXAS CAMPS** has, and will continue to be, dedicated to the belief that understanding and enjoying the Great Outdoors should be an important part of every person's life. The **OUTDOOR TEXAS CAMPS** formula includes... 1) Develop a Camp Curriculum and Activities that will not only be Fun, Engaging and Educational, but provide a Foundation by which the Camper will develop the Skills to Fuel their Passion; 2) Enlist the assistance of Highly Experienced and Professional Staff that not only have a Passion for the Skill & Activities they are teaching, but the teaching of the Campers as well; and 3) Secure the BEST Location and Facilities available that will provide for the success of those Skills & Activities being taught.

OUR PHILOSOPHY

Most Summer Camps in Texas, and other states, host 100's of Campers each week, and 1,000's of Campers over the course of their Summer. **OUTDOOR TEXAS CAMPS** on the other hand believes that the only way to provide a Safe, Fun Environment to Learn the Targeted Skills is to limit each Camp to no more than 24 Campers, and no more than 4 Campers in any one Group. This allows for the following... 1) a Safe Environment for your Camper to learn; 2) the Instructors & Counselors to develop a personal relationship with your Camper; 3) a 1 to 4 Counselor to Camper ratio; and 4) One-On-One Instructional Time is greatly increased to ensure that your Camper has the BEST opportunity to develop and improve on his/her outdoor skills.

CAMP CURRICULUM & ACTIVITIES

All of the Subjects and Activities that are part of your Campers daily life at **OUTDOOR TEXAS CAMPS** have been well researched and thought out with the assistance of well recognized Outdoor Industry Professionals... and with Safety as our Primary Goal. Our approach to each Activity & Skill is to begin with a good, solid foundation that your Camper can grow with as his understanding, physical stature and passion continue to grow as well. Goals in each Activity are designed to be attainable to develop Self-Confidence and Self-Esteem.

CAMP INSTRUCTORS

All of the **OUTDOOR TEXAS CAMPS** Instructors are selected based on... 1) their Knowledge of the Subject or Skill; 2) their In-Field Experience; and 3) their ability to Effectively Communicate with your Camper in a Positive Manner.

CAMP LOCATIONS

The **OUTDOOR TEXAS CAMPS** locations are selected on the basis that each represents the BEST POSSIBLE CAMP SITE to facilitate that particular camps activities, while keeping with the **OUTDOOR TEXAS CAMPS** commitment to Safety, Learning & Fun!!!

FOR CAMP DATES GO TO www.OutdoorTexasCamp.com

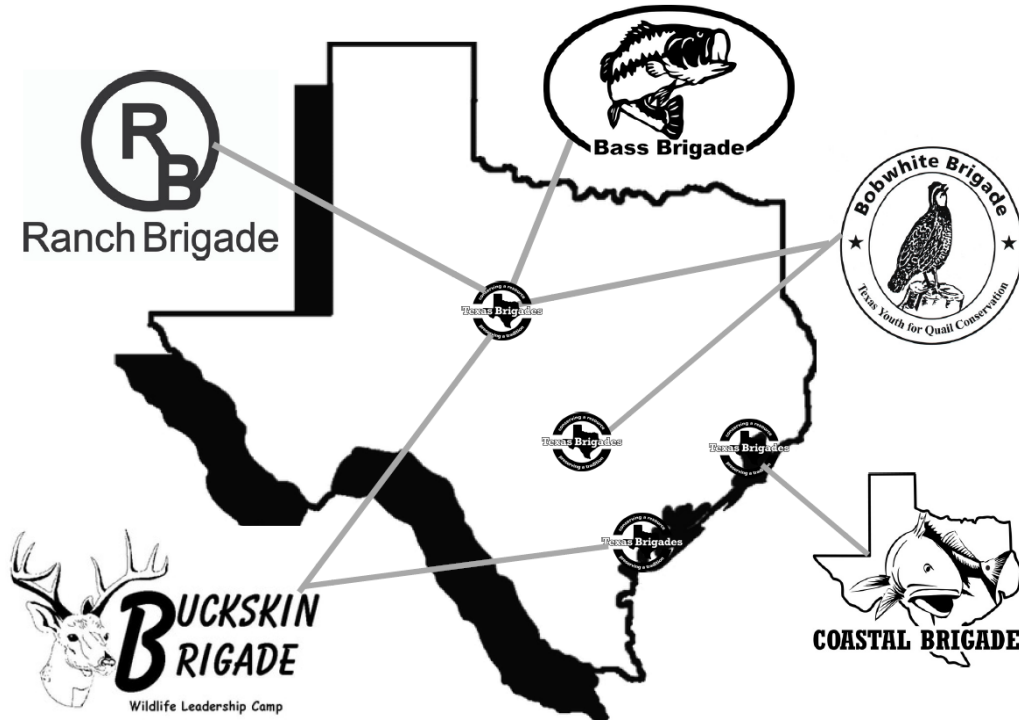


YOUTH CONSERVATION & LEADERSHIP

SUMMER CAMPS

"Conservation Leaders in Every Community"

ONE application for **ALL** of our 2019 Camps!



CAMP APPLICATION PERIOD: NOVEMBER 1 - MARCH 15

Our camps are wildlife and natural resource-focused leadership development programs. Cadets learn from professionals about the biology, habitat, and ecology of each camp's focus species while strengthening leadership, team-building, and critical-thinking skills.

- AGES: 13 - 17
- DURATION: 5 DAYS
- DATES: JUNE & JULY
- LOCATION: ALL ACROSS TEXAS
- APPLY ONLINE

Interested in attending or volunteering? Please visit:

WWW.TEXASBRIGADES.ORG

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