

Breckenridge Outdoor Education Center

Out of Sight Adventure Program

What: The Breckenridge Outdoor Education Center (BOEC) is offering an eight day outdoor adventure program based in Colorado, specifically designed to challenge and empower teenagers with visual impairments through adventure activities including ; rock climbing, white water rafting, camping and hiking.

The program will be supervised by long-time BOEC Course Director and Therapeutic Recreation Internship Coordinator, Brook Yates. Brook, now a post-graduate student in Orientation and Mobility for the Blind, will lead a team of BOEC staff to produce this program.

When: August 18-24, 2011

Where: The program will begin and end in Denver, CO.

Who: This program is designed for teenagers between the ages of 15-19, who have a visual impairment, who are active physically and socially, and who possess skills with independence.

Goals: For the student to increase...

- Activities of daily living skills
- Skills in communication and teamwork
- Orientation and mobility skills
- Environmental knowledge
- Skills in outdoor activities
- Social skills and support networks
- Confidence and independence
- Leadership skills

Cost: \$900 (scholarships funds are available for qualified students on a first come-first served basis)

Requirements:

- Students must be between the age of 15-19
- Students must have a visual impairment
- Students must be able to travel to Denver, CO
- Students must prepare and present a 15 minute environmental education presentation for their peers

Application Process :

Submit the following documents electronically to brookyates@gmail.com:

- BOEC Student Application
- Supplemental questionnaire
- BOEC Scholarship Application (if applicable)

To learn more about the Out of Sight Adventure Program contact: Brook Yates at brookyates@gmail.com or 970-333-4035

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