

Announcing an Alaskan Trek!



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**Westchester Putnam Council
is sending a Crew to Alaska July 2019!**

Who?

Scouts who are at least 14 years old and at least 1st Class rank (at the time of the Trek) from any “West Put” Troop *or* Venture Crew. Must be willing to train and prepare both mentally and physically for the rigors of an Alaskan Trek. We will have positions for Twelve (12) youth and Two (2) Leaders for a total of a maximum of a Fourteen (14) co-ed position crew. Youth ***not*** willing or able to be mentally or physically ready themselves or Youth who don’t participate in scheduled shakedown activities, will *not* secure a crew position. Are you old enough? Scouts must turn 14 years of age by July departure date, or in other words, Birthday year 2005 or less, birthday month July or less, birthdate before departure date, and Scout rank of at least 1st class with Scoutmaster Recommendation.

What?

Scout designed! We don’t have a set itinerary yet, because Youth and Leaders of the Alaskan Crew will decide their activities. These are some of the choices: **Denali National Park, Hiking, Backpacking, Wildlife Viewing, Dog Sledding, White Water Rafting, River Floats, Canoeing, Ice Climbing, Charter Fishing, Gold Mining, Alaskan Historical Sites, Train Tour, Sea Kayaking, Glacier Viewing, Mt. McKinley, Alaskan Native History, Boat Tours, and Alaskan Seafood feasting!** Total costs will be determined when the itinerary is established and airfare is confirmed, but we estimate the Total Costs to be “ball parked” at this early date to be around \$3,000 to \$4,000, including shakedowns. Yes, Fundraising will be offered for individuals as well as group endeavors where the crew members can defer as much cost as possible.

Where?

Summit Base at Camp Read in the beautiful Adirondack Mountains backpacking shakedown & Great Alaska Council, Anchorage Alaska and Alaska’s famous sights.

When?

Summer 2018 (date to be crew determined) backpacking shakedown at Summit Base, Camp Read, Adirondacks & July 2019 (exact date TBD) Great Alaska Council, Alaska trek.

Why?

Every Scout should have the opportunity to experience a High Adventure Trip if they want that type of experience. This is an advancement and retention incentive for First Class, Star and Life Scout. This opportunity was designed especially for those Troops and Venture Crews who have too small numbers to form a High Adventure Crew. High Adventure Crew members will have incentive requirements for CPR, Wilderness First Aid, Leadership training, Leave no Trace training, Various Merit Badges for Hiking, Backpacking, Canoeing, Kayaking, Fishing and climbing. Learn leadership, be part of a cohesive group and gain a scouting memory of a lifetime.

Interested?

Space is limited! First come, first considered.
We will have an informational meeting TBD in January 2018 with interested scouts and families.

Act now and email marleneirv@aol.com for more info



