

Rock Climbing Lead Volunteer

Summary: Outdoors for All's rock climbing program offers participants a safe, fun atmosphere to learn and practice safe climbing techniques. Climbing activities will include outdoor top roped climbing at Deception Wall off Exit 38. Lead volunteers will lead climb and set anchors for climbing routes. They must have the backing of an organization to support that they are competent lead climbers and route setters.

Responsible to: Outdoors for All staff

Responsibilities:

- 1. May assist with setting anchors for climbing routes
- 2. Ensure participants are wearing properly fitted helmets and harnesses.
- **3.** If belaying, double check participants are properly tied into the rope, and your belay device, carabiners, and ropes are properly set.
- 4. Provide a safe, fun, positive, helpful learning experience for Outdoors for All participants.
- 5. Assist Outdoors for All with group management.
- **6.** Engage participants throughout the activity and give helpful instruction to improve climbing technique.
- 7. Listen and follow staff instructions
- 8. Arrive early to assist staff with the set up of the climbing area

Other Expectations:

- 1. No phone usage, unless for emergencies
- 2. Be Punctual.
- 3. Utilize safe and appropriate equipment.
- 4. Adhere to Outdoors for All's policies and procedures
- 5. Read all emails and other communications from Outdoors for All staff, and respond if necessary.

Requirements:

- 1. Must be 21 or older.
- 2. Be proficient at setting and cleaning anchors
- 3. Must be a proficient lead climber/belayer and be able to confidently lead a 5.9 outdoor sport route
- 4. Proficient in building quad anchors and other sport anchor building
- 5. Attend and complete all required trainings (specified online)
- 6. Must have previous rock climbing and belay experience
- 7. Prior to belaying in our program, volunteers must be checked off to belay by a qualified staff member. Volunteers must demonstrate the ability to properly load a GriGri, tie and check a figure 8 follow through knot, demonstrate proper belay technique, and lower a climber.
- 8. Ability to commit to all responsibilities and expectations.
- 9. Pass a Washington State Background check
- 10. Equipment: no equipment required. We provide harnesses, ropes, and all other rock climbing gear