

On-Shore Support Volunteer

Summary: Outdoors for All's kayak program offers participants a safe, fun atmosphere to learn and practice safe paddling techniques. Each kayaking event is different. The focus of some is just to have a safe and fun paddle experience and others may also work to develop paddle skills to effectively paddle a boat independently. In general, our programs operate in more controlled bodies of water such as lakes or areas near the shore or a cove. The water areas should have low boat traffic, be without major currents or tides, and have light winds (no whitecaps). **On-shore support will support on shore duties during programs. This role will not be kayaking.**

Responsible to: Outdoors for All staff

Responsibilities:

1. Assist in checking in participants for programs
2. Assist with on shore support throughout program
 - a. Helping participants find their paddle partner
 - b. Fitting PFDs and paddles
 - c. Sending out kayaks
 - d. Pulling in kayaks
 - e. Assisting with any on-shore emergency response
3. Provide a safe, fun, positive, helpful learning experience for Outdoors for All participants
4. Assist Outdoors for All staff with setup and cleanup of event
5. Responsible for helping to maintain the integrity of the equipment
6. Assist Outdoors for All with group management
7. Engage participants and families throughout the activity
8. Listen and follow staff instructions

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 18 or older. For military kayaking events you must be 21+
2. Attend and complete all required trainings (specified online)
3. Ability and desire to work with a wide variety of personalities, skill levels, and abilities
4. Ability to commit to all responsibilities and expectations
5. Pass a Washington State Background check
6. Equipment: no equipment required