

APPLICATION



Application deadline is April 15th

Print or type all answers. Incomplete applications may be returned.

Name _____
Last First Middle Initial

Address _____

City _____ PA

Zip Code _____

Home Telephone (_____) _____

E-mail _____

Date of Birth ____ / ____ / ____ Male Female
Mo. Day Year

Please include a 150-200 word essay describing:

- Your outdoor interests
- Reasons for wanting to participate in ECO Camp
- How this experience will contribute to your personal goals

Are you able to participate in outdoor activities? Yes No

How did you hear about the ECO Camp program?

I have attained a C average or better.

What grade will you be attending this Fall?

10 11 12 College

T-shirt Size: S M L XL

Please attach:

- A letter of recommendation from an individual or organization, including contact information (name, address, phone, email)

Youth Signature _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Date _____

Return completed applications to:

ECO Camp Coordinator, Bureau of State Parks
PO Box 8551, Harrisburg, PA 17105-8551



“ECO Camp let me **EXPLORE** a variety of environmental careers, took me to a lot of

interesting places, and introduced me to **AWESOME PEOPLE** that I still keep in touch with today.”

– Erika Jozwiak



FOR MORE INFORMATION

www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/ecocamp

ECO Camp Coordinator
Bureau of State Parks
Outdoor Programming Services Division
PO Box 8551
Harrisburg, PA 17105-8551

717.783.4356

Email: ECO_Camp@pa.gov

REQUIRED SUBMISSIONS AFTER SELECTION

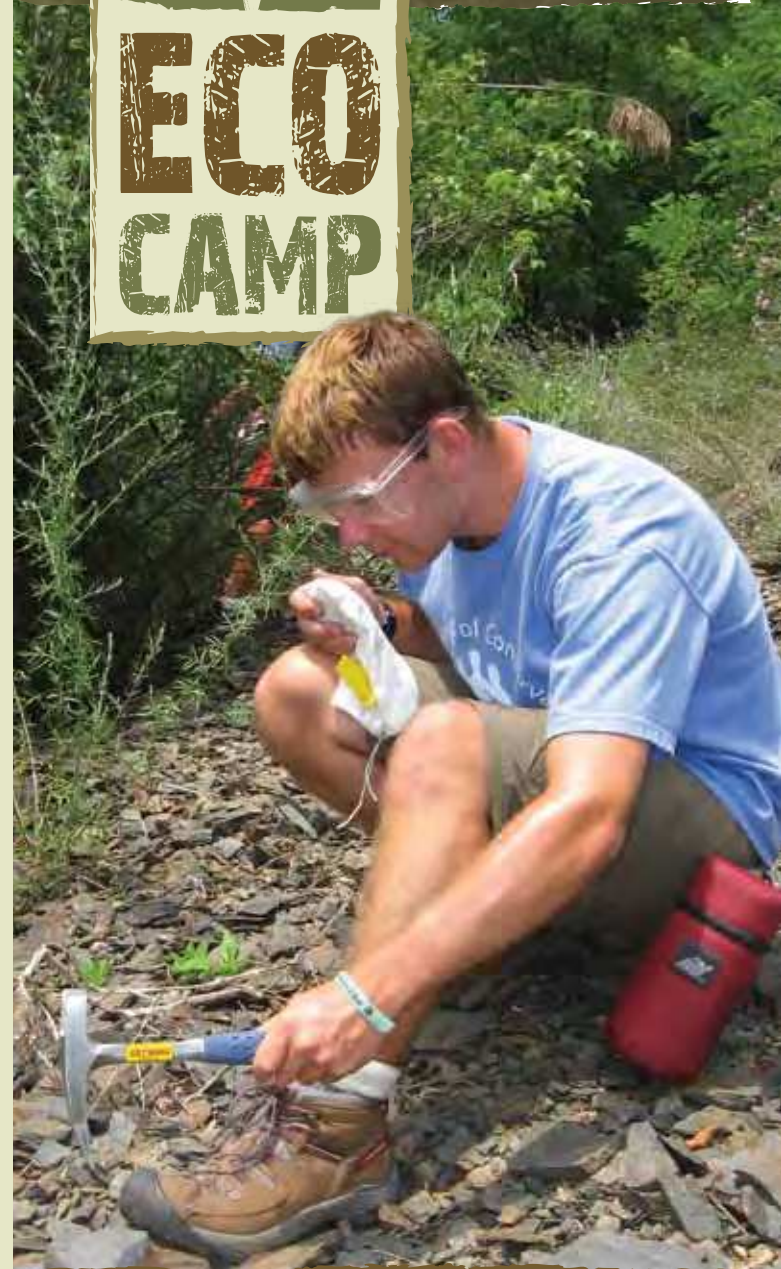
- Satisfactory medical certification to indicate physical suitability for participation in a group residential situation. Certification will be on the approved ECO Camp Medical History form. The medical form includes a consent statement that a parent or guardian authorizes first aid or emergency care and will not hold the Commonwealth responsible for any non-program accident or illness.
- Parental or legal guardian consent
- Proof of age
- Participant Agreement Form



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Exploring Careers Outdoors



Kirby House - Mountain Top, PA ■ Second full week in July*



JOIN US FOR ECO CAMP

Exploring Careers Outdoors is a week-long residential camp for high school students from across Pennsylvania. Participate in action-packed, hands-on activities and recreational adventures in Pennsylvania's state parks and forests. Learn how people make a living working in the outdoors. Information on future employment opportunities will be available upon completion of the week's programs. Key topics and recreational activities will surround the themes of water, land, forests and wildlife. You will have opportunities for continued involvement with agency staff and programs—through internships, mentoring programs or job shadowing.



ECO CAMP LOCATION

Kirby House is located near Nescopeck State Park in Northeastern Pennsylvania. Participants will spend three nights at Kirby House and two nights camping at a local state park.

ECO CAMP IS OFFERED FREE OF CHARGE

Participants must provide their own transportation to and from ECO Camp at the start and end of camp.



WHILE AT ECO CAMP, YOU CAN EXPECT TO...

- Be introduced to outdoor careers
- Meet conservation professionals
- Kayak or raft
- Go fishing
- Go camping
- See birds of prey
- Investigate a stream
- Have fun
- Make new friends



CRITERIA FOR SELECTION

To participate in the program, you:

- Must be entering 10th through 12th grade by September of the year you attend camp or have just completed 12th grade
- Have attained a C average or better in the school year prior to camp
- Cannot be a user of illegal or controlled substances (drugs) or have a history of criminal or other anti-social behavior, including repeated school suspensions or expulsions
- Must be a Pennsylvania resident
- Have submitted the following:
 - A letter of recommendation from an individual or organization
 - An essay of your interest in the outdoors
- Have parental or guardian consent to participate in program activities. Youth will be required to attend and participate in all activities.



“I am a **GEOLOGY/ ENVIRO SCIENCE** graduate, and worked for Glacier

National Park doing environmental programs. DCNR's ECO Camp allowed me to see all the available **OPPORTUNITIES** in education and environmental careers. I hope to pursue a career in state parks.”

– Bridget Gross