



## **Thank you for your interest in working with Adventure Bound**

Our seasonal full and part-time staff consists of more than 45 employees.

Adventure Bound is one of several outfitters in the Kennebec River Valley that provide whitewater-rafting trips on both the Kennebec and Dead Rivers. In addition to rafting, we provide single and multi-day canoe trips, rock climbing, a ropes course, hiking, SUP and remote camping trips. Our adventure center, where trips are based from, requires staffing to run the food service, lodging, and activities that are offered during the evenings.

Adventure Bound distinguishes itself from all outfitters in the area by creating an atmosphere geared specifically toward youth groups and families. Our trips and facility are alcohol free. One of the most important criteria in choosing our staff is their eagerness to work in an educational role as a leader and role model for teens.

What we are looking for in our guide staff

1. You must be at least 18 years old to become a licensed Maine Guide.
2. A neat and professional appearance
3. A friendly, cheerful personality and enthusiasm for working with our young guests.
4. Ability to meet the physical and mental challenges of guiding our trips
5. A willingness to follow safety guidelines, company procedures, and work professionally within a team.

## **Becoming a Maine Guide**

In **2019** our whitewater guide-training program will begin on **Sunday, May 19, 2019** and conclude on **Sunday, May 26, 2019**. All applicants applying for the Maine State Whitewater Guide's License must be currently certified with a minimum of Basic First Aid and Adult CPR training. These certifications must remain current for your guide license to be valid. It is recommended that you become certified before your arrival at Adventure Bound, but we will offer the class during our guide-training program. The cost for certification during the training class is \$75 each (\$150 total)

The guide-training program is demanding and consists of 12-14 hour days. We spend all day on the river and perform classroom work in the evenings. While the course can be exhausting, it is also an exciting introduction to whitewater and our most popular trips.

Following the successful completion of your training you will take a written exam administered by the state of Maine. The fee to take this exam is \$100, made payable to the state of Maine. Once you have passed the test, your 3-year license will cost an additional \$89.

In addition to our whitewater training program, we will provide leadership training and basic ropes course facilitation training to our guide staff. This training is done on our ropes course at Adventure Bound and is free of charge. This training is required for our full time guide staff.

### **A little about the company**

Adventure Bound offered its first trips in 1998, becoming the only whitewater rafting company in Maine to focus specifically on the youth group market. Today, we remain a leader in providing outdoor wilderness experiences for youth groups in New England.

Our trips have expanded to include rock climbing, a ropes course, canoe trips, hiking trips, and a unique 2-day rafting trip with camping on Indian Pond.

Our adventure center and campground complex is the standard bearer for the Kennebec River Valley and provides ample opportunity for recreation during our guest's stay. In addition to the recreational activities, like our 28-foot indoor climbing wall, soccer field, basketball court, volleyball court, disc golf course, hiking trails and ropes course we have a swimming pool, hot tub, dining facilities, retail shop, and conference meeting space. We have recently expanded our facility with the addition of 20-acres of land including 900 feet of frontage along the Kennebec River. This land is one mile from the Appalachian Trail Crossing on the Kennebec River.

Our commitment to providing healthy outdoor experiences for youth has expanded to include families looking for age appropriate camping and recreation experience free of the distractions caused by drug and alcohol use in other public campgrounds.

Full-time seasonal employees can expect to earn between \$3,500-\$5,500 from Mid-May through August, with opportunities lasting into October for a smaller off-season operation. Full-time seasonal staff members are expected to be available from Sunday, May 20<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, August 19<sup>th</sup>.

Continuing your professional development will enhance your value to Adventure Bound, and that will be taken into consideration when determining your compensation. Examples of valuable certifications for our employees include but are not limited to the following:

- Commercial Drivers License (CDL) with a "P" endorsement (Bus Driving)
- EMT, Wilderness First Responder, Wilderness EMT or other advanced medical training
- Maine Recreation Guide's License
- Climbing certifications
- Ropes Course Facilitation Experience

Seasonal lodging in the area consists of renting apartments in the town of Caratunk or The Forks. We offer bunkhouses in a staff camping area. These are provided at no cost.

### **How to Apply**

1. Fill out the application completely and return it along with a resume and cover letter to our office, either by mail or email. (PO BOX 88 1094 US Route 201 Caratunk, ME 04925 or adam@adv-bound.com)
2. Call to confirm that we have received and reviewed you application and schedule an interview. 1-888-606-7238

We look forward to having the opportunity to meet you.

Respectfully,

*John*

John Philbrick- Manager/Owner