

# *Trekkers Waiting List Application*

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please fill out the entire application and return to:  
TREKKERS, INC. - P.O. BOX 455 - Tenants Harbor, ME 04860

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Grade Level: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s)/Guardian name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State ME Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Please answer the following questions in the space provided.

1. Explain why you are interested in participating in the Trekkers program.

2. What do you hope to gain personally from participating in the Trekkers program?

3. Please describe one of your favorite memories in the outdoors?

## ***Trekkers Agreement***

**Trekkers Partnership with the Schools:** Trekkers has worked as a liaison between the schools and the families of Trekker students throughout its 17-year existence as an organization. It is our goal to check in with the schools as a way to provide extra support for your son or daughter during possibly difficult academic and/or behavioral times. This way Trekkers can meet with the schools, students and families to help rectify the situation in a timely manner. With this in mind, please sign below to grant Trekkers permission to check in with the teachers, principals and the guidance department staff of RSU #13 on behalf of your son or daughter if and when academic, behavioral, and/or emotional needs arise.

**Trekkers Chemical Free Policy:** I/we agree to abide by the **Chemical Free Policy** of Trekkers while participating on the trip. This means that I will not take any drugs, alcohol, or tobacco of any kind on the trip. If I am found with the above-mentioned substances I understand that there will be consequences to my actions, including the possibility of me being sent home at the parent/guardian's expense and not being invited to participate in future Trekkers activities.

**Trekkers Photo Release Policy:** We hereby allow Trekkers to use photographs or images of me/my child for appropriate promotional materials.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Student

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

***If you have any questions about the application process please feel free to call Don Carpenter at 594-5095. Thanks so much!***

### **Trekkers Waiting List Policy**

Eligible students who *complete* the Teen Trekkers program in 7th grade will be invited to participate in every program offered to their Trekkers class for their remaining years in middle school and high school, as long as they are enrolled in some kind of formal education. If, after offering the next core program to current Trekkers students there are more than four openings available, Trekkers will invite the students who are on the waiting list for that particular grade according to our waiting list policy below. If after offering an opening to all the students on the waiting list there are still slots available, Trekkers will open the program to non-Trekkers on a first-come, first-serve basis.

**Please note:** Except for the 7<sup>th</sup> grade program, the waiting list will only be activated under the following circumstances:

1. If a student moves out of the three communities that Trekkers-currently serves\*, **or**
2. A student decides that he/she no longer wants to participate in Trekkers at any time after their 7<sup>th</sup> grade experience, **or**
3. The number of participants for a particular program drops below 17 students. Once the number of participants drops below 17, Trekkers will invite the next person from the waiting list who matches the gender and school of the student who is leaving or not participating in the program. If Trekkers finds that it no longer has any students left on the waiting list who match both the gender and school, Trekkers will go to the next person on the waiting list who matches in gender first. For instance, if a boy drops out of Trekkers from Thomaston Grammar School, Trekkers will first look to the waiting list to see if there is a boy on the waiting list from their class at TGS. If there is no longer a boy on the waiting list at TGS for that grade, Trekkers will look to see if there is a boy from their grade on the waiting list from St. George School and fill his spot with that person. This is part of Trekkers' commitment to gender and community equality in all of its programming. **And,**
4. The Executive Director determines there's enough time left in the planning process before the expedition takes place to bring in a new Trekker.