



NATUREBRIDGE PRINCE WILLIAM CHAPERONE AGREEMENT

Greetings and welcome in advance to NatureBridge! We are excited that you will be joining us soon.

Our commitment to you and your students is to provide fun science learning opportunities, new experiences, and safe adventures. By choosing to volunteer as a chaperone, you come to NatureBridge with a commitment of your own: to live by the following guidelines.

Please read through this carefully, initial and sign to indicate your agreement.

GENERAL RESPONSIBILITIES

_____ I understand that my primary responsibility while at NatureBridge is to supervise students. I am directly responsible for students during free time and meals, as well as in the cabins overnight.

_____ I understand that any breaks from my supervisory responsibilities will be coordinated by the lead teacher, who may set up a rotating supervision schedule if possible.

_____ I understand that I may be responsible to stay back from hiking with a trail group to care for a sick or injured student.

_____ In the event of an emergency, I will call 911 first (if applicable) and then the NatureBridge emergency phone number that will be provided once on-site.

_____ I agree to not bring or use non-prescription drugs, weapons, and/or alcohol at NatureBridge.

_____ I agree to respect National Park facilities. I will follow all trail rules and National Park Service regulations and support students to do the same.

IN THE CABIN AND DURING FREE TIME

_____ I understand the NatureBridge Site Manager will be the primary on-site liaison for the school. During night hours (9pm-7am) a NatureBridge staff member will sleep on site and be the Site Manager for that time.

_____ I understand that students will be in their cabins by 9:00 pm, with lights out at 9:30 pm. I agree to monitor students to ensure they are quiet and respectful in the evening so that everyone can get enough sleep to participate and stay healthy. Students may emerge from their cabins at 6am with "whisper hours" until 7am.

_____ I agree to help keep food out of all our cabins.

MEAL TIMES

_____ I will make sure that students arrive at breakfast and dinner on time.

_____ When students are dismissed from the dining hall, I will ensure they are appropriately supervised.



DURING PROGRAM TIME (DAYTIME AND EVENING)

_____ I will help ensure that students have day packs ready to go so they can depart directly after morning stewardship (directly following breakfast).

_____ I agree to communicate openly with my NatureBridge educator about the daily education program, and offer positive and constructive feedback when appropriate.

_____ I agree to participate in the program at NatureBridge by acting as a role model for students, showing interest, and being prepared.

_____ I will let the students dominate discussions and answer questions on their own.

_____ I understand that I will be outside all day with variable weather conditions and hike between 3-5 miles.

_____ I agree to limit my use of personal electronic devices (cell phones, etc). If a call is mandatory, I will step back from an educational activity so as not to disturb the activity.

_____ I will help students stay on task, and work with the educator to address any discipline concerns.

_____ I will be an extra set of eyes, ears and hands for the educator by watching for stray kids, potential problems or safety concerns.

My signature indicates that I have read and agree to abide by the above guidelines during my NatureBridge program.

Signature

Date

Printed Name

School Name