



North Carolina Outward Bound

Dear Applicant and family,

Thank you for your interest in North Carolina Outward Bound School (NCOBS). NCOBS has been contracted by the State of Florida, Department of Juvenile Justice to provide services to adolescents and their families in the **following counties**: Brevard, Duval, Flagler, Lake, Orange, Osceola, Polk, Seminole, St. Johns and Volusia. Equipment is provided, and students need only bring an open mind and willingness to participate.

The NCOBS program exposes adolescents to new and demanding situations while enhancing their abilities to meet demands and to act positively beyond their perceived personal limits. From the beginning, students are challenged mentally and physically to do things they never thought possible. Confidence and self-esteem develop as students learn the skills of wilderness living, such as canoeing, camp craft, first aid, and navigation. Students learn that, in order for the expedition to proceed, cooperation among participants is needed; group decision-making and problem-solving skills are learned and responsible behaviors are fostered.

NCOBS Scottsmoore operates safe wilderness based programs for at-risk youth as part of the CINS/FINS (Children/Families in Need of Services) program. Students who are accepted to Outward Bound must be withdrawn by their parent from their current school. They will then be enrolled in Outward Bound, an accredited school for a 20 day wilderness expedition. All students who successfully complete the program will earn a letter grade. High school students will also earn a half credit. At the end of the expedition, the student must be re-enrolled in their home school. **While the students are on the expedition, guardians/parents must**

- provide transportation to and from the program site.
- Write 3 letters to their child while on course.
- Participate in a parent meeting on course start and course end.
- Participate in home visits & Family Gatherings during the reinforcement phase.

Please complete and return the application packet. Be sure to include the **3-page general application** and parts and the **4 page medical history**. Please return to us by fax or email. Once we receive the application It will be under review. Our Admissions Coordinator will reach out to you to either get more information regarding your family's unique circumstances, or to set up an interview for you and your child here in Scottsmoore.

To assist us with the screening process please come to the interview prepared with the following:

- Immunization record
- Childs insurance card (if applicable)
- Appointment for child's physical or completed physical

Sincerely,
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