

STAFF JOB PROFILE

JOB TITLE: OKPIK Mushing Interpreter
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SUMMARY:

1. Serve as a Scouting role model for crews and exemplify the high ideals of the Boy Scouts of America in all interpersonal relationships.
2. Instructs crews in skills to be comfortable and safe in cold weather. Encourages them to enjoy outdoor winter activities such as camping, snowshoeing, and cross-country skiing.
3. Uses good judgment in making decisions. Responds in appropriate manner should an emergency arise.
4. Assist the with the responsibilities for the dog sledding program including but not limited to: all care for dogs, running dogs, training other staff and participants about dogs, training dogs, and dog first aid.

PRINCIPAL RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. Lead crews in winter camping treks in the backcountry for typically two to four days.
2. Provides for the safety of participants and fellow staff members in all activities.
3. Learns and shares all training provided by the Northern Tier National High Adventure Programs including the wilderness use policy.
4. Presents the OKPIK Cold Weather Camping Program and philosophy effectively to the participants.
5. Exemplifies the high ideals of the Boy Scouts of America in all interpersonal relationships.
6. Trains participants in proper use of winter equipment.
7. Acts in conjunction with the crew advisor in all matters of health and safety. Uses proper two way radio procedures and follows evacuation procedures.
8. Evaluates the crews so that programs can be planned to fit the abilities, needs, and desires of the crewmembers.
9. Seeks and acts on opportunities to evaluate and improve the OKPIK Cold Weather Camping Program.
10. Performs other duties as assigned by the Base management. These duties may include such things as trail clearing, dishwashing, maintenance projects, custodial work, helping in other departments, and other projects as needed.

QUALIFICATIONS:

1. Must have current certification in CPR and Wilderness First Aid.
2. Successfully complete OKPIK Staff Training.
3. Successful completion of Musher Training as defined by the contracted dog vendor.
4. Provide a completed BSA Health and Medical Record.
5. Has ability to understand direction and work with minimum supervision.
6. Register as a member of the Boy Scouts of America.

POSITION REPORTS TO: HEAD MUSHER

Signature

Print name

Date