

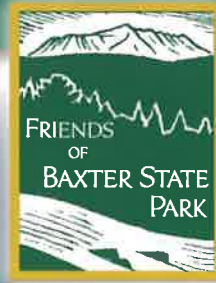
# MAINE YOUTH WILDERNESS LEADERSHIP PROGRAM



**APPLICATION DEADLINE:**

**FEBRUARY 8**

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# Maine Youth Wilderness Leadership Program

Extraordinary Wilderness Experience in Baxter State Park  
for Maine High School Students

The Maine Youth Wilderness Leadership Program has been cultivating and inspiring the next generation of Maine's environmental leaders since 2009. The program includes a nine-day backpacking trip in Baxter State Park with the opportunity to study wilderness through science, art, literature, storytelling, photography, history, and more. Alumni often describe the program as "amazing," "life-changing," and "unforgettable."

## Program Highlights

- Wilderness studies and online discussions in April and May
- Nine-day backpacking trip in Baxter State Park in early August
- Experienced wilderness leaders from Chewonki
- Hands-on learning experiences with expert instructors while in the Park
- Presentations to civic groups and organizations during the fall
- No direct cost to participants

## How to Apply

Current Maine high school sophomores and juniors are eligible to apply. Ten participants and six alternates will be notified by late March of their acceptance. **Please apply online at [www.friendsofbaxter.org](http://www.friendsofbaxter.org) by the deadline of February 8.**

## Questions and More Information

Please contact us at [director@friendsofbaxter.org](mailto:director@friendsofbaxter.org) or (207) 975-3787, or write to:

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Baxter State Park – [www.baxterstateparkauthority.com](http://www.baxterstateparkauthority.com)

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