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NATURAL RESOURCES CAREERS EXPLORATION WEEK

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JUNE 13-18, 2027

AT TREES FOR TOMORROW IN EAGLE RIVER, WI



HIGH SCHOOL SOPHOMORES, JUNIORS, AND SENIORS

(AT THE TIME OF APPLICATION)

Jumpstart your career in natural resources at the Natural Resources Careers Exploration Workshop (NRCEW) held June 13-18, 2027. Spend an intensive week diving into hands-on fieldwork with industry experts in forestry, wildlife management, and environmental science. Whether you dream of managing public lands, conducting field biology, or shaping the future of sustainable resources, NRCEW gives you the practical skills, field insights, and professional network you need to take your first big step toward a rewarding career in conservation.

Applications due Friday, May 7, 2027*

\$210/Student

includes instruction, materials, 5 nights lodging & 15 meals.

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE—Complete scholarship portion of application (available online) for consideration.

** Spots for NRCEW are first-come, first-served—
apply ASAP before it fills up!*

Download application or apply online at:

www.TreesForTomorrow.com

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Questions? Contact Program Coordinator Phoebe Yetley at Phoebe@treesfortomorrow.com

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Natural Resource Careers Exploration Week STUDENT APPLICATION

APPLICATION SUBMISSION DATE FRIDAY, MAY 7, 2027

To apply for the Natural Resources Careers Exploration Week (NRCEW) at Trees For Tomorrow, please complete the student application and submit a recommendation from a teacher, school counselor, or other adult mentor using the recommendation form.

Applicants must be sophomores, juniors, or seniors at the time of application. Students who are homeschooled may submit a letter of recommendation from a coach, supervisor, mentor, or clergy. Your application will not be considered complete until ***both the application and recommendation form have been received by Trees For Tomorrow.***

The deadline for submitting both forms is **Friday, May 7th, 2027**. Students will be notified within a few weeks after Trees For Tomorrow has received your application and recommendation. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at (715) 479-6456 or by email at phoebe@treesfortomorrow.com

Part 1 (REQUIRED): Student Information

STUDENT please print or type information

Name _____ Home Phone _____

Mailing Address _____ Email* _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Grade ☐ Sophomore ☐ Junior ☐ Senior School Name _____

Which of the following best describes your gender identity (select all that apply)? This information is solely collected to help us plan lodging accommodations.

☐ Male ☐ Female ☐ Non-binary ☐ Prefer not to say ☐ Other _____

Age: _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN CONTACT please print or type

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Phone _____ Email* _____

****Please provide an email that you check regularly; email will be used for program confirmation and application questions.***

Part 2 (REQUIRED): Career Goals

PARENT/STUDENT, please note that this workshop is intended for students who are genuinely interested in pursuing a career in the natural resources field. It is a rigorous educational program designed to provide an in-depth learning experience, rather than a recreational camp. Your responses to the questions below are an important part of the selection process. Please answer each of the three questions thoroughly, using multiple complete sentences and providing specific details on a separate sheet of paper.

1. Why are interested in attending the Trees For Tomorrow Natural Resources Career Workshop?

Please complete reverse side.



2. What are your current career interests or goals? Please share any careers, industries, fields of study, or skills you are interested in exploring.
3. Describe any high school, community, extracurricular, or volunteer organizations in which you have participated. Include your role, and if applicable, any leadership responsibilities or meaningful contributions.
4. To help us better understand your career interests, please select three areas of study from the list below that interest you the most:

_____ Water: Water Quality, Limnology, Fisheries _____ Wildlife: Rehabilitation, Biology, Habitat Management _____ Physical Environment: Soil Science, Geology, GIS _____ Forestry: Arborist, Fire Management, Logging _____ Law Enforcement: Conservation Warden, Park Ranger	_____ Paper Science _____ General Science _____ Environmental Engineering _____ Other _____ _____
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Part 3 (OPTIONAL): Scholarship Application

Please fill this section out with assistance from a parent or guardian:

The cost for participation in this workshop is \$210 per student. If this fee does not align with your family's budget, scholarship funding may be available to cover all or part of the cost.

To request scholarship funding, please complete the questions below. Submitting a scholarship request does not guarantee funding. Because scholarship funds are limited, we will award scholarships based on each applicant's individual financial need.

1. Please rate how strong your need is for scholarship support from Trees For Tomorrow to cover the \$210 for this program. ☐ High Need ☐ Medium Need ☐ Low Need

Please explain: _____

2. Please rate how you will be impacted if you do not receive scholarship support from Trees For Tomorrow and are required to pay the full \$210 program fee? ☐ High Impact ☐ Medium Impact ☐ Low Impact

Please explain: _____

PART 4 (REQUIRED): Next Steps

PARENT/STUDENT — NEXT STEPS:

1. Submit this student application to Trees For Tomorrow—applications are accepted on a rolling basis; early application is encouraged.
2. Type or print your name on the enclosed Teacher/School Counselor Recommendation Form.
3. Give recommendation form to a teacher or school counselor.
4. Remind them that they must return the completed form directly to Trees For Tomorrow by Friday, May 7, 2027 in order for student to be considered for the NRCEW workshop.

Are both sides filled out?



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TEACHER/SCHOOL COUNSELOR RECOMMENDATION

FORM SUBMISSION DEADLINE FRIDAY, MAY 7, 2027

Dear Teacher/School Counselor:

Each year Trees For Tomorrow invites high school students to participate in a workshop exploring career opportunities in natural resources. Because space is limited, students must be recommended by a teacher or school counselor. We are looking for students who are genuinely interested in the experience and who demonstrate the maturity, positive character, and enthusiasm needed to contribute to a successful workshop. Please review the questions below and provide an honest assessment of the student that you are recommending.

A student's applications will not be reviewed until Trees For Tomorrow receives both the student application and a completed Recommendation Form. **Once completed, this form can be mailed to: Trees For Tomorrow, PO Box 609, Eagle River, WI, 54521, Attn: Phoebe Yetley.**

Please submit your recommendation by Friday, May 7th, 2027. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at (715) 479-6456 or by email at phoebe@treesfortomorrow.com. Thank you for taking the time to support this student and for helping us create a meaningful experience for all participants.

Thank you for your assistance with this process.

Recommendation for (name of student): _____

- 1. Please rate the student on the following qualities using a 1-5 scale where 1 = Needs Significant Development and 5 = Exceptional**

Interests in natural resources	1	2	3	4	5
Curiosity and willingness to learn	1	2	3	4	5
Respect for other	1	2	3	4	5
Adaptability in new and unfamiliar situations	1	2	3	4	5
Maturity and judgement	1	2	3	4	5
Ability to work with others	1	2	3	4	5
Leadership potential	1	2	3	4	5
Communication skills	1	2	3	4	5
Overall readiness for this workshop	1	2	3	4	5

Are both sides filled out?



2. How would you describe the student's maturity and readiness to participate in an immersive, multi-day workshop?

3. What qualities or experiences would make this student a strong participant in the workshop?

4. How strongly do you recommend this student for the workshop

- ☐ Highly recommend
- ☐ Recommend
- ☐ Recommend with reservations
- ☐ Do not recommend

Recommender's Name _____

School Name _____

School Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Please return completed form by May 7, 2027 to:

Phoebe Yetley, Careers Exploration Coordinator

Trees For Tomorrow, PO Box 609, Eagle River, WI 54521

Please call 715.479.6456 or email Phoebe@TreesForTomorrow.com for more information

See reverse side for start of recommendation form.