

Compass Guide Description -June 2017 through May 2018

The Compass program is a group experience for teens that focuses on becoming familiar with one's innate moral and spiritual compass. A teen's participation spans one school year (September through late April), during which a group of about 12 high school Christian Scientists, led by two adult Guides, come together for three retreats: Labor Day weekend, a long weekend in January, and a long weekend in April. Between retreats, the Guides hold monthly web hangouts exploring a range of relevant topics through engaging and fun assignments. Additionally, Guides serve as role models for the teens, staying in touch with them and supporting them through their school year.

Compass is dedicated to providing Christian Science teens a supportive peer group, trustworthy adult role models, and a safe environment for exploring their questions and deepening their understanding of how God provides guidance in their lives.

Qualifications:

- ❖ Practicing Christian Scientist
- ❖ Rapport with youth
- ❖ One-year time commitment to a group of 12 high school teens
- ❖ Available for three in-person retreats during the program: August 31-September 4, 2017, January 11-15, 2018, April 19-22, 2018
- ❖ Dedicated and flexible team member (with DiscoveryBound staff and other Guides)

Dedication to Christian Science

- ❖ Mother Church membership required
- ❖ Class Instruction required
- ❖ Commitment to development of moral and spiritual growth in oneself and others

Communication Skills

- ❖ Good listener
- ❖ Able to communicate clearly, concisely, and effectively
- ❖ Accountable for her/his actions
- ❖ Internet and email proficient

Leadership Qualifications

- ❖ Able to successfully motivate and work with high school teens
- ❖ Able to easily communicate with teens' parents
- ❖ Able to inspire dedication and enthusiasm
- ❖ Relates well to people of all ages, backgrounds, and nationalities

Responsibilities:

- ❖ Available to give approx. 15-20 hours/month to this position; varies from month to month
- ❖ Maintain regular communication with teens and parents in order to provide guidance and coaching
- ❖ Hold monthly conference calls (typically on Sunday evenings) with teens; send agendas and call recaps
- ❖ Plan and lead 3 retreats - Labor Day weekend, New Year's week, and end of April
- ❖ Record expenses and follow budget guidelines
- ❖ Participate in check-ins with DB office; provide reports and fruitage on a consistent basis
- ❖ Track teens' individual projects and assignments
- ❖ Capture photos and videos for DiscoveryBound to archive and use in marketing materials

Compensation:

- ❖ Annual stipend for each volunteer Guide is \$2,500, paid in two installments – the first in September and the second in June
- ❖ All expenses paid for travel, accommodations, etc. for any Compass-related activities

Commitment to DiscoveryBound’s and Adventure Unlimited’s Purposes

- ❖ Demonstrate successful experience in working with young people and a deep love for the Christian Science community
- ❖ Understand and support our purpose; remain committed to the purpose in the face of challenge

Purpose of DiscoveryBound

DiscoveryBound is a year-round program for youth, adults, families, and friends that offers inspiring recreational, leadership, and service opportunities on local, regional, national, and international levels. We provide an atmosphere where individuals experience Christian Science in action.

Purpose of Adventure Unlimited

To provide recreational adventure, leadership, service, education and community activities that foster spiritual growth and healing in an environment where Christian Science is lived.

COMPASS PROGRAM TIMELINE

- July/Aug Plan fall retreat; Correspond with parents and teens as needed
- August Group is finalized; Send welcome email
- September Labor Day retreat (Aug 31-Sep 4, 2017); First monthly theme
- October Second monthly theme; Plan winter retreat
- November Third monthly theme; Plan winter retreat
- December Fourth monthly theme; Plan winter retreat
- January Winter retreat (January 11-15, 2018); Fifth monthly theme
- February Sixth monthly theme; Plan spring retreat
- March Seventh monthly theme; Plan spring retreat
- April Spring retreat (April 19-22, 2018); Eighth monthly theme