

## **Statement of Purpose** (for PLC applicants only)

***The PLC program is NOT a selective program and does not turn down applicants. Any camper willing to complete the Statement of Purpose along with registration can be enrolled in the program.***

**Rationale for the Statement of Purpose:** The Pre-Leadership Camp (PLC) is designed to give veteran campers and new campers alike a more intensive program and help prepare campers for our tripping and leadership programs. In PLC, we create an environment that allows campers to be integrated within a group where campers must learn to work together. This is accomplished through the concepts of team building, skills enhancement, and wilderness tripping.

**The Statement of Purpose helps campers understand the expectations of the PLC program, and help them decide if it's the right program for them.**

Campers, aged 13-14, who are interested in a less leadership focused program are encouraged to attend Session AB, our 3-week Session that runs concurrently with PLC-1 or any other session that interests them.

Parents should make certain their children are aware of the Statement of Purpose and its rationale when filling out the registration form. Please have them answer the questions below on a separate sheet of paper to be added to the registration package. Campers must make it clear that they wish to be part of the PLC program. Each answer should be no longer than 80 words.

1. What do you think Pre-Leadership Camp (PLC) offers you as a camper? Why do you think PLC is a good program for you?
  
2. What do you think you can contribute to the PLC program? Be sure to give specific examples of how you will contribute to PLC. You may wish to refer to past experience(s).
  
3. What would you like your PLC staff to know about you to help you have the most successful experience possible? What hesitations and concerns would you like your staff to be aware of?