Travel Information Southwest Backpacking & Rock Climbing Outdoor Educator – 55 Days

Course Number: CUQR-161 // 2.28.21 – 4.23.21

WHAT TO EXPECT FOR COURSE START

MEETING PLACE & TIME

11:00am – 1:00pm MDT COBS Leadville Mountain Center 1930 Hwy 300 Leadville, CO 80461

Your course begins at Colorado Outward Bound School's basecamp in Leadville, Colorado. This document includes helpful driving directions from the town of Leadville and a map of the campus below. We are requiring all students and families to drive themselves to course start, rather than traveling via public transportation such as plane, bus, or train. When you arrive, our staff will greet you in the lower parking lot wearing Colorado Outward Bound School T-shirts so they can be easily identified.

Students can be provided with a lunch at 12:00pm. Due to procedures related to COVID-19, we cannot offer lunch to those dropping students off. If you are a student driving yourself, you will have secure parking on our basecamp for the entirety of your course. Because the course begins promptly at 1:00pm, everyone will need to finish eating by 1:00pm. Please arrive by 1:00pm so that our group can begin course activities as scheduled. Also, please make sure that your enrollment has been approved by your Course Advisor; students whose approval is unconfirmed cannot participate on the course.

When you arrive please wear your mask. Staff will be doing health / symptom checks at course start to make sure everyone is healthy. Please be prepared to report any symptoms or exposures to staff.

Per our <u>pre-course requirements</u>, you will have practiced extreme social distancing for 14-days prior to arrival and you will have submitted the first negative test result to your course advisor prior to arrival at course start. COBS will also test for COVID-19 on the first day of course. To reduce the potential of spreading COVID-19, the whole course (staff and students) will practice social distancing guidelines until test results are returned.

We are closely tracking the turnaround time on test results, and generally expect results to be available in 3-5 days. If either test is returned positive you will not be able to attend course. Safety is our first priority, and anyone who has COVID-19 creates a serious risk of infecting other students, instructors, and staff. If this occurs, we will provide isolated lodging at basecamp for up to 48 hours, at which time you must be collected. Given our agreement for strict social distancing 14-days pre-course, we cannot provide refunds for COVID-19 positive students.

On day one your group will dive right in! You'll enjoy fun ice breaker and teambuilding activities to get to know one another (all in socially distanced format!). You'll begin setting up camp in the backcountry, and your group will begin your Wilderness First Aid course and certification shortly thereafter.

WHAT TO EXPECT FOR COURSE END

MEETING PLACE & TIME

8:00am COBS Leadville Mountain Center 1930 Hwy 300 Leadville, CO 80461

Your course ends at 8:00am MDT on 11.24.20 at our Leadville Mountain Center. Prior to course end we will provide breakfast. Students and instructors will say goodbye to each other and then students will depart from the lower parking lot where we met on the first day.

- Students can leave a personal vehicle at our basecamp in Leadville and drive home at the end of course.
- Students can get picked up at 8:00 am from our basecamp in Leadville.
- For students who need to fly home at course end we can drop them off at the Safeway in Leadville at 7:03 am on the last day of course. The Summit Stage bus will drop them off at Frisco Station at 8:06 am. The summit stage costs \$5, please bring \$5 cash if you plan to use this option. This link shows the schedule and route of the Summit Stage bus:

https://www.summitcountyco.gov/DocumentCenter/View/28485/LCL-Sum-20-JPG. From the Frisco Station there are several shuttle or bus options to travel to the Denver International Airport. This website includes a list of services to choose from. Please plan your travel with these times in mind. https://www.townoffrisco.com/transportation/.

DIRECTIONS TO BASECAMP FROM THE TOWN OF LEADVILLE

- Drive through the town of Leadville and turn onto Highway 24 south
- Continue on Highway 24 for three miles and turn west (right) onto Highway 300 just after a green gas station on your right and follow signs for the Fish Hatchery
- Continue on Hwy 300 for two miles and turn left at the entrance of Outward Bound's Leadville Mountain Center (LMC)
- Take a slight right into the lower parking lot, where our staff will greet you.

TRAVEL PROBLEMS AND EMERGENCY CONTACT

If travel problems arise which will cause your arrival at the LMC to be delayed, we can help troubleshoot solutions so that you can get to your course start. Please call 720-381-6589 and follow the prompts to reach the line for travel delay or emergency. This will route to an on-call cell phone and you will receive a prompt response as indicated by the voicemail message. Please be sure to include student's name, course number, and a return phone number so we assist you swiftly.

