

# WIDJI SUMMER 2026

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# **CANOEING**

# **PATHFINDER CANOE TRIP**

5 days | Grade 6 | \$805

This five—day experience is a great way to introduce eager campers to canoe skills, as well as 'trail life' in the BWCA and at Widji. Campers will spend two days getting ready for an overnight camping trip. On night three they will go on an overnight canoe trip to a nearby campsite. Pathfinders will build independence away from home and friendships with their group and two Widji counselors. They will return for the Closing Celebration on night four.

- June 15-19
- June 22-26
- June 29-July 3
- July 6-10
- July 13-17

- July 20-24
- July 27-31
- August 3-7\*
- August 10–14

# INTRO TO CANOEING

9 days | Grades 7-8 | \$1,640

These trips are ideal for first—time campers looking for an introduction to the Widji experience and the Boundary Waters. Campers will learn the basic skills of canoeing, camping, and navigation in a fun and supportive environment. A typical Intro trail group consists of two Widji trail counselors and four to six campers. Although canoeing and portaging can be demanding, working as a team allows campers to accomplish a lot more together than they could as individuals. All campers are expected to pitch in and do their share of the work, carrying packs and tents across portages which may be up to a mile long!

• June 11-19

• August 10–18

# INTRO TO CANOEING

12 days | Grades 7-8 | \$2,185

These trips offer a more immersive introduction to the Widji experience and the Boundary Waters, for first-time campers seeking a connection with wilderness adventure. Campers will build fundamental skills in canoeing, camping, and navigation in a fun and supportive environment. A typical Intro trail group includes two Widji trail counselors and four to six campers. With an extended time on the trail, participants will have additional opportunities to develop confidence, resilience, and teamwork as they tackle the challenges of canoeing and portaging. Every camper is expected to contribute to the daily tasks that support the group's success, such as helping to carry packs and tents across portages that may span over one mile!

- June 15–26
- June 22–July 3\*
- June 29-July 10
- July 6–17

- July 13-24
- July 20-31
- July 27–August 7
- August 3–14

# **BWCAW CANOE**

12 days | Grades 8-10 | \$2,145

These canoe adventures, are our most popular trips – perfect for excited first–time campers as well as seasoned canoeists. Each group of between four and six campers is under the leadership of one Widji trail counselor. Over the course of the trip, a group may travel 60–140 miles through the heart of the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness, learning and refining their paddling and camping skills along the way.

- June 15-26\*
- June 22–July 3\*
- June 29–July 10
- July 6-17\*
- July 13-24

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- July 20-31
- July 27-August 7
- August 3-14\*
- August 10–21

<sup>\*</sup>Includes an all gender option, in addition to single-gender options.

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# **BOLD GOLD**

#### TIER II

#### 9 days | Grades 8–10 | \$1,640

Tier Two trail groups of four to six campers and two counselors will travel into the BWCAW for 9–12 days. BOLD GOLD trail groups intentionally bring together campers from many different backgrounds to explore leadership with a focus on building courage, emotional intelligence, confidence, community awareness, and a sense of wonder for the natural environment.

• June 11-19

# **BOLD GOLD**

#### TIER II

#### 12 days | Grades 8-10 | \$2,165

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• August 10-21

# **BOLD GOLD**

#### TIER III

#### 19 days | Grades 10-12 | \$3,640

Tier three trail groups of four campers and two counselors will travel into the BWCAW for 19 days. BOLD GOLD trail groups intentionally bring together campers from many different backgrounds to explore leadership with a focus on building courage, emotional intelligence, confidence, community awareness, and a sense of wonder for the natural environment.

July 13–31

# **QUETICO CANOE**

16 days | Grades 9-12 | \$3,070

The rugged portages, generally less populated campsites, and pristine lakes of Canada's Quetico Provincial Park provide challenge and adventure for experienced campers. Trail groups of four to six campers and one counselor travel deep into the heart of the Quetico. Campers will refine their technical skills and learn the basics of expedition–style canoe tripping.

Quetico campers are required to have a valid passport.

• June 11-26

August 3–18

(Boys/Girls/all gender options for each session)

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June 15–July 3

July 6–24

• June 22-July 10

• July 13-31\*

• June 29-July 17

• July 20–August 7

# **EXPLORER CANOE**

26 days | Grade 11 | \$5,305

#### **INVITATION ONLY**

Sessions are 26 days, with about 21 days on trail. Groups often explore the Crownlands of Ontario, the Quetico Provincial Park, and the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness (BWCAW).

All campers are required to have a valid passport.

June 15–July 10

July 27–August 21

June 29–July 24\*

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# **ADVANCED EXPLORER CANOE**

37 days | Grade 12 | \$8,220

#### **INVITATION ONLY**

Sessions are 37 days, with 26 days on trail. Groups travel farther north and generally spend a significant amount of time in either Wabakimi Provincial Park in Ontario or Caribou Provincial Park in Canada.

All campers are required to have a valid passport.

- June 11–Jul 17
  (All Gender and Single Gender-Girls)
- July 13-August 18 (Single Gender-Girls and Single Gender-Boys)

# **VOYAGEUR CANOE**

48 days | Grade 12 | \$12,910

#### INVITATION ONLY

Sessions are 48 days, with 35 to 39 days on trail. This trip travels to the Arctic rivers of Canada and Alaska. Recent groups have paddled Coppermine, Dubawnt, Kazan, and Thelon Rivers in Canada.

All campers are required to have a valid passport.

- June 15-August 1 (Girls)
- June 22-August 8 (Girls)

# BACKPACKING

# PATHFINDER BACKPACKING TRIP

5 days | Grade 6 | \$805

This five—day experience is a great way to introduce eager campers to backpacking skills, spending time on "trail", and life at Widji. Campers will spend the first two days getting ready for their camping trip. On day three they will go on an overnight hiking trip to a nearby campsite, carrying everything they need for the night in backpacks. Pathfinders will build independence away from home and friendships with their group and two Widji counselors. They will return for the Closing Celebration on day four.

• July 6-10

# INTRO TO BACKPACKING: PORCUPINE MOUNTAINS

12 days | Grades 7–8 | \$2,400

Groups of four campers and two counselors will spend three days at Widji prepping to spend five to six days hiking along the south shore of Lake Superior through one of the largest wilderness areas of the Midwest. Campers will enjoy panoramic views of Lake Superior, stunning waterfalls and fun times with their group mates. Groups will hike along well maintained trails and spend each night at a different back—country campsite.

- June 15th-26th
- August 3–14
- June 22–July 3
- August 10–21

• July 20-31

# **BIGHORN MOUNTAIN BACKPACK**

19 days | Grades 8-10 | \$4,165

The Bighorn Mountains of Wyoming offer an excellent introduction to mountain backpacking for confident first—time or experienced backpackers. After three days of preparation at Widji, groups of four campers and two counselors drive for two days by van to Bighorn National Forest in north central Wyoming. Campers spend approximately eight days hiking at elevations of 8,000–10,000 feet and experience the beauty and majesty of the western mountains.

- June 22–July 10
- July 27-August 14
- June 29-July 17\*
- August 3–21

• July 6-24

\*All Gender and Girls options available.

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# **ROCKY MOUNTAIN BACKPACK**

19 days | Grades 9-12 | \$4,165

The rugged yet beautiful terrain of the Absaroka Mountains and the Spanish Peak Range of southwestern Montana offer experienced campers a fun challenge and the opportunity to hone their skills in pristine, mountain wilderness areas. After training and orientation at Widji, groups of four to six campers and one counselor will travel for two days by van to reach their destination. Both mountain ranges offer excellent alpine backpacking terrain with many opportunities for campers to hike above tree line and off trail, as well as have a great adventure!

June 29–July 17\*

July 20–August 7

• July 6-24

• July 27-August 14

\*Includes an all gender option, in addition to single-gender options.

# **EXPLORER BACKPACK**

26 days | Grade 11 | \$5,650

#### **INVITATION ONLY**

Sessions are 26 days, with 17 days on trail. Groups travel to the Wind River Range in Wyoming and the Beartooth Wilderness Area in Wyoming and Montana.

• June 29-July 24

• July 27-August 21

July 20-August 14\*

\*Includes an all gender option, in addition to single-gender options.

### ADVANCED EXPLORER BACKPACK

37 days | Grade 12 | \$8,600

#### **INVITATION ONLY**

Sessions are 37 days, with around 24 days on trail. All groups travel Willmore Wilderness and Jasper National Park in Alberta, Canada.

All campers are required to have a valid passport.

June 11–July 17

• July 13–August 18

## **MOUNTAINEER BACKPACK**

48 days | Grade 12 | \$12,910

#### INVITATION ONLY

Sessions are 48 days, with 35 to 40 days on trail. This trip travels to the Brooks Range in Alaska. Groups hike in either Gates of the Arctic National Park or the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge (ANWR).

This trip needs a TSA approved ID.

• June 15-August 1

• June 22-August 8

## **WORK CAMP**

Grades 9-12 | All Genders | Free

The Work Camper program offers committed, responsible high school-age Widji Campers the opportunity to earn credit towards the cost of their session through service to camp. Work Campers primarily help in the Widji kitchen – setting up and cleaning up for meals, including washing dishes. Work Campers also may be asked to assist with other maintenance, such as helping the Tripping Center pack out groups and light maintenance around camp, like sweeping and clearing trails. In addition to providing valuable service to Camp Widjiwagan, they will catch a glimpse 'behind the scenes' at Widji and have time for fun. Learn more about work camp at https://www.ymcanorth.org/adventure/posts/work-camper-program-widji"

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# **SCHOLARSHIPS:**

Camp Widji welcomes all who wish to participate and annually raises campership funds to ensure camp fees are not a barrier for anyone. For more information about our scholarships please visit widji.org or call 612–822–2267.