

Lake Champlain Maritime Museum

Champlain Discovery Program



Champlain Discovery is a five-week co-educational program for teens age 13-16. Ten students will spend three weeks building their own 17' sea kayak and learning paddling skills, followed by an eleven-day kayaking / camping trip starting in Whitehall, New York and ending in Burlington, Vermont (70 miles). Students own the kayak they build at the end of the program.

Pushing participants personal limits in a positive way, developing teamwork and cooperative skills while encouraging an appreciation for the natural and cultural history of the Champlain Valley are the priorities of this life-changing experience.

At the core of Champlain Discovery has been a commitment to awarding 40% of tuition income in scholarship grants. We believe that having an economically diverse group of students is beneficial to all involved. With an aggressive fundraising program for endowment over the past sixteen years we have been successful at achieving this goal.

Program Statistics (Annually)

Number of Participants	10
Number Achieving Program Goal	10
Size of Budget	\$48,000
Number of Employees	4 seasonal
Number of Volunteers	5
Number of Volunteer Hours	500

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