



Columbus Outdoor Pursuits

2010 Kayak/Canoe School

(Introduction to Whitewater)
April 16 - 18, 2010

Learn to kayak or canoe with Columbus Outdoor Pursuits! The 2010 Kayak II/Canoe School is designed for those students interested in learning to paddle in moving water or whitewater. Students are required to have previous experience (i.e., Kayak I school, pool session practice, previous river canoeing, or similar experience) and knowledge of and comfort executing the basic paddle strokes; boat control will be expected. The ability to Eskimo roll a kayak is not required for this class but kayak students must have experience performing wet exits. We will spend the weekend at Pike Lake State Park (starting Friday evening after work) and hold the paddling portion of the school on the Rocky Fork & Paint Creek in southwest Ohio. This school will prepare students to negotiate most of Ohio's rivers and streams and is also the first step toward whitewater kayaking.

Students are encouraged to supply their own kayaks/canoes, if practical. (Please note that sea kayaks and longer, less maneuverable kayaks are not appropriate for this school.) All kayaks/canoes must be in good condition and have appropriate flotation. Students MUST have type III/V life jacket, paddle, and a whitewater helmet; kayak students must have a spray skirt (this equipment can be rented from COP). The school has a limited number of kayaks/canoes available on a first-come basis, determined by acceptance of PAID school application. Fees cover instruction, lodging, and meals (Friday night snack, Saturday & Sunday breakfast and lunch, and Saturday dinner).

Application and payment must be received by April 4, 2010. After this date, refunds will only be given if replacement students are available. **Send application and payment** (made out to **Columbus Outdoor Pursuits**) to:

Joyce DeLeo, 2571 Mt. Holyoke Rd, Columbus, OH 43221

For more information, contact Kayak School Director Ron Metzger. 513/519-3970, ron_metzger@yahoo.com OR Canoe School Director Mike Wadkowski 614/ 231-6820, mandk2canoe@wowway.com

2010 Kayak/Canoe School Application (one application per person, copies okay)

Name: _____ COP# _____ Height: _____ Weight: _____ Age: _____

(include nickname, if any)

Male Female

Address: _____

I need to rent COP boat & gear

City, _____ St _____ Zip _____

I have my own boat & gear

Home Phone: _____

If you have your own boat, what is it? _____

Work Phone: _____

Swimming Ability (check one):

E-mail: _____

Excellent Good Fair Poor

Parent/Guardian: _____

(if student is under 18)

I want to learn to: Kayak Canoe

Parent/Guardian address (if not above) _____

Emergency contact name and number (____) _____

FEES:	Your kayak/canoe & equipment	COP kayak/canoe & equipment
Members:	\$150	\$170
Non-Members:	\$175	\$190
Have you attended the Kayak/Canoe I school <small>(if similar school, please list school)</small> ? If so, when? _____		

What kind of kayak/canoe experience do you have? (Please be specific! -Tell where you have paddled, in what type of boat, and when.)

Please list any dietary restrictions: _____

Please list any physical/health conditions, including allergies, which should be known in case of an emergency or which may affect your participation in the class: _____

If the student is under 18 years of age, parental consent is required. Both the student and the parent/guardian will need to sign the Waiver & Medical forms.



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Questions regarding the risks associated with whitewater boating, the Waiver, and/or the Medical Form can be directed to either of the School Directors or to the COP Boating Chair.

Location: Pike Lake State Park (starting Friday evening after work), paddling portion of the school on the Rocky Fork & Paint Creek Rivers.

Columbus Outdoor Pursuits Liability Release & Waiver

Basic Liability Waiver, Indemnification Agreement, Permission to Provide Medical Treatment & Publicity Release

READ BEFORE SIGNING

In signing this agreement for myself or for the named participant (if the participant is under age 18), I know that those participating will be exposed to risks of serious bodily injury, sickness, or death due to circumstances inherent in this event, including the negligent acts or omissions of others. I also understand and am aware that there are a variety of specific risks and dangers inherent in a voluntary activity such as this including, without limitation, falls, collisions with other participants, motor vehicles, or stationary objects. I may be participating out of doors and exposed to adverse weather conditions, poor sanitation, air or waterborne microorganisms, exposure to frost bite, rising water, drowning, or falling objects. I am aware that anyone who is inadequately prepared, trained or in inadequate physical condition is more likely to be injured or killed. I further understand that there is a risk of becoming lost or separated from the rest of the group and I may incur personal liability for the costs of rescue of me or members of my family. I also understand that I may be injured while on land or while traveling via motor vehicle or on foot due to my own carelessness or because of the negligence of others. Despite these risks and in exchange for being permitted to participate in this event, I voluntarily agree to assume all of these and other risks inherent in the event.

I acknowledge that I (or the participant for whom I sign if under age 18) am physically capable and sufficiently trained for the completion of this event. I also attest that the equipment used by me (or the participant for whom I sign if under age 18) has been inspected by me and is in good condition and that I am familiar with its proper use. I am also aware that any medical support provided for this event, if any, is likely to be limited to that provided by volunteer personnel with limited first aid training who may be called upon to provide assistance to me during the event. I consent and authorize any such volunteer to assist me (or the participant for whom I sign if under age 18) or to perform such assistance as, in the opinion of such person, may be necessary or appropriate. I understand further that any such medical or other services provided to me (or the participant for whom I sign if under age 18) is not an admission of liability to provide or to continue to provide any such services and is not a waiver by any of said parties' rights under this agreement.

I understand that Columbus Outdoor Pursuits assumes no responsibility or liability with respect to my participation in this event. I agree, however, to abide by any decision of any official of Columbus Outdoor Pursuits relative to my ability to

safely participate in this event. I promise, as well, for myself or the named participant (if the participant is under 18) to wear any safety equipment as required by an official of Columbus Outdoor Pursuits such as, but not limited to, helmets, guards, or personal flotation devices. The bicycle helmet will meet the standards of CPSC, ASTM or SNELL and be worn at all times while riding the bicycle. I agree to waive my rights to any benefits associated with this event if I fail to wear appropriate safety equipment.

Having read this waiver and knowing these facts and in consideration of Columbus Outdoor Pursuits' acceptance of my application for participation in this event, I, for myself and anyone entitled to act on my behalf, do hereby agree to release, hold harmless, and discharge Columbus Outdoor Pursuits, all sponsors, representatives and volunteers, any involved municipalities or other organization and the boards, trustees, officers, employees, or volunteers of any of them, from any and all claims or liabilities of any kind arising out of my participation and/or my own acts of negligence in this event whether or not liability may arise out of negligence, recklessness or carelessness on the part of the persons or entities named in this waiver.

I also grant permission to Columbus Outdoor Pursuits and its sponsors to use any photographs, motion pictures, recordings or any record of this event for legitimate purposes.

I further agree to indemnify the persons and entities listed in this agreement for any liability they incur to me, a member of my family, or the participant in connection with this event.

I further agree that if, in breach of this agreement, I institute any judicial proceedings against any of the persons listed in this agreement in connection with this event, I shall bring them in the Common Pleas Court of Franklin County, Ohio, or in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio, located in Columbus, Ohio, and I consent to personal jurisdiction in those courts. I further agree that, if in breach of this agreement, I institute any such proceedings, I am responsible for all costs and attorneys fees of any person or entity against whom I institute such proceedings.

HAVING READ AND UNDERSTOOD THIS AGREEMENT, I VOLUNTARILY AND KNOWINGLY SIGN IT

Signature

plus parent/guardian signature if participant is under 18

Date