



**THE GRIZZLY DEN**  
Plan your adventure.

# CHINOOK GRIZZLY DEN 2021 NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

## **What is the Grizzly Den?**

The Grizzly Den is a competition in which participants pitch their upcoming adventure, compete for funding to take their adventures to the next level, and receive mentorship and guidance from the grizzlies on the planning of their adventure. The Grizzly Den is funded by the Chinook Scout Foundation.

## **Who is eligible?**

Any Scouts, Venturers, or Rovers who are planning an adventure (big or small)!

## **How do groups participate?**

The group or section must submit a proposal to the Grizzly Den by February 28th, 2021. Any group who passes the pre-screening requirements will pitch their adventure to a panel of judges (the Grizzlies) in April, who will determine whether they will “invest” in that group’s adventure. All groups who submit a proposal will receive mentorship from the Grizzlies in planning their adventure.

## **How much funding could groups win?**

The amount of funding will depend on how many groups make it past the pre-screening phase and what type of adventures they are pitching. The Grizzly Den is not designed to fund the entire adventure, but rather to provide additional funding to encourage groups to take their adventures to the next level.

## **We have already completed most of our fundraising. Why should we pitch to the Grizzly Den?**

The Grizzly Den provides more than just funding. The Grizzlies are all experts in Scouting adventures and will be able to provide “smart money” and expertise that will help ensure your group is successful on their adventure. Every group that applies to the Grizzly Den will receive guidance and mentorship from the Grizzlies.

## **How do I submit a proposal?**

Proposals can be in any form - written, digital, video, etc. Your proposal should tell the panel what the adventure is, who is going, how you have been preparing for it, how it relates to Scouting, safety considerations, and a budget. Proposals should be emailed to [chinookgrizzlyden@gmail.com](mailto:chinookgrizzlyden@gmail.com).

## **What if we have never participated in an adventure or do not know where to start?**

Send an email to [chinookgrizzlyden@gmail.com](mailto:chinookgrizzlyden@gmail.com) letting the Grizzlies know you are interested but need some help creating an adventure application. A Grizzly will reach out to your group.

## **We are currently in Stage 1 (virtual) Scouting and don't know when we will be able to participate in an in-person adventure again. Why should we bother putting together a proposal?**

The Grizzlies recognize that this year is full of uncertainties due to the global pandemic. They encourage groups to think outside of the box when it comes to adventures this year, and to plan within the parameters of what may be possible this summer. Check previous newsletter messages or reach out to the Grizzlies for ideas of COVID-friendly adventures. Alternatively, start planning for a big adventure in the next year or two, and take advantage of your time now to pitch your adventure in the Grizzly Den this year! Adventures pitched in the Grizzly Den do not have to happen this year.

## **What if we have to postpone our adventure due to COVID?**

The Grizzlies recognize that the current global pandemic presents challenges for the planning and partaking in in-person adventures, and that there is a possibility that an adventure may not go ahead this year. They made the decision to go ahead with the Grizzly Den despite the uncertainty because they want to encourage the planning of adventures both big and small. If a group’s adventure is postponed or cancelled, the Grizzlies will ask that any money awarded go to the same or similar adventure in the future.

## **What are you waiting for? Start planning! Don't forget to submit your proposal by February 28th to [chinookgrizzlyden@gmail.com](mailto:chinookgrizzlyden@gmail.com), and to reach out if you have any questions!**



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