

Please attach a passport sized photograph of yourself.

## Application Form

Pioneer Centre's Apprenticeship Scheme is an ideal opportunity for young people aged 18 – 24 who enjoy outdoor activities and have a heart for young people to gain qualifications in a variety of outdoor activities and to apply them in a practical way.

Applicants will be energetic and adaptable, have a willingness to learn and be able to work as part of a team.

All training in various activities, accommodation, meals, uniform and weekly living expenses are provided by the Centre.

Please note: There are a limited number of places available; therefore, all applicants will be invited for an interview and provided with an opportunity to view the Centre and its activities.

How did you first hear of the Pioneer Centre Apprenticeship Programme?			
<i>Magazine Advert</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Christianity <input type="checkbox"/> Youthwork <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	<i>Website</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> idealist.org <input type="checkbox"/> jobs4christians.co.uk <input type="checkbox"/> jobcentreplus.gov.uk <input type="checkbox"/> bluedome.co.uk <input type="checkbox"/> crossrythms.co.uk <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
<i>Christian Festival</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Spring Harvest <input type="checkbox"/> Soul Survivor <input type="checkbox"/> New Wine <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	<i>Personal Connection</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Friend/Relative <input type="checkbox"/> Visit to the Centre
<i>Reply Postcard</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Where? _____	<i>Other</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____

# Personal Details

Surname:	Christian Name(s):	Date of Birth:
		____ / ____ / ____
Home Address (No., Street, Town):	Telephone:	
	Daytime:	
	Evening:	
Post Code:	Mobile:	
Driving License:	E-mail:	
None <input type="checkbox"/> Provisional <input type="checkbox"/> Full <input type="checkbox"/>		

# Education

School/College Attended	From/To	Qualifications Attained

# Activity Qualifications

National Governing Body	Level Attained	Date Attained

# Leisure/Interests

Please list briefly your interests/activities/hobbies (e.g., Sports/Arts Activities, Community Involvement)

# Health

Please note that Pioneer Centre is a non-smoking, alcohol-free site.  
Answering "Yes" to any of the below questions will not affect your application in any way.

Have you ever experienced a prolonged absence from work/education due to ill health? Yes  No

Are there any disabilities or allergies that we should be made aware of? Yes  No

Do you have any dietary requirements? Yes  No

If "Yes" to any of the above, then please give details:

# Christian Experience

As an inter-denominational Christian-based organization, the majority of our staff and volunteers have a Christian background of some kind. Should you not have any involvement with a church, then please move on to the next section. All applications will be considered regardless of religion or belief.

Do you possess a personal Christian faith? Explain briefly what your Christian background is. Yes  No

Do you consider yourself to be an active Christian? Yes  No

What church do you currently attend and have you discussed with your church leader your interest in volunteering with Action Centres U.K.? If "Yes", what was the response/advice?

# Work Experience

Please list briefly your work experience (including voluntary work).

Employer	From/To	Responsibilities

# Police Clearance

As your voluntary service involves working with young people you will be required to submit a police clearance through the National Criminal Records Bureau should your application be accepted. Any information received will be held in the strictest confidence in line with the organisation's policy on confidentiality.

Have you ever been checked by the Police with regard to a criminal record? Yes  No

Have you ever been cautioned or convicted in respect of any kind of criminal offense? Yes  No

If Yes, please give details.

# References

Please supply two references (not relatives) with your application. Preferably one should be a Church leader, the other a professional person (i.e. teacher, supervisor, etc.). One of these referees should provide a personal recommendation statement, if possible.

Name:	Connection To You:

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Address (No., Street, Town, Post Code):

Address (No., Street, Town, Post Code):

Contact Telephone Number:

Contact Telephone Number:

E-mail:

E-mail:

# Personal Statement

Please give your reasons for applying to the Apprenticeship Training Scheme, what you hope to gain from it and what you are hoping Action Centres U.K./Pioneer Centre can do to help you achieve your aims.

*I declare that the information given is accurate and recognize that any false statement will disqualify me from being accepted, or subsequently being retained, on the Scheme.*

Signed:

Date:

## About Us

The Pioneer Centre belongs to Action Centres U.K. which itself is part of the Northamptonshire Association of Youth Clubs. NAYC is a voluntary Christian (non-denominational) youth association with over 40 years experience of working with young people in a variety of settings, helping them to develop their potential physically, mentally, emotionally and spiritually. This is undertaken by providing a caring, accepting, safe environment in which the qualities of respect and self-esteem are always present.

The facilities of Pioneer Centre are used by many different types of groups, including schools, youth organisations, special needs groups, churches and management training courses.



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