

Dear Ayalik Fund,

I want to say thank you for helping kids like me come on amazing trips like this. I've learned so much on this trip, how to actually start a fire, because I've never done it before. How to be a good leader for the day, learning how to use maps in the water. Even to be flipped in the canoe, I even learned how to swim in the open water for the first time. Just to communicate with people I've never met before.

I have gained 13 new friends on this amazing trip, but there's a girl named Hazel, she's a wonderful friend. Always ~~having~~ having a smile on her face. We've become very good friends, and the awesome part is that she's from New York and I'm from Cambridge Bay Nunavut. So the portaging that we've been doing is a lot of hard work. We've all done a 2k portage through it. We all became very close like a family, and I like it very much. I even seen bugs that I've never seen, animals I've never seen ever, such as Chimp moks, ants, weird looking spiders that I don't get back home. Cambridge Bay, Nunavut is very far from Toronto, it took me 4 hours to fly from Yellowknife to Toronto. Toronto is a very ~~bea~~ beautiful. My trip is ending today Wednesday August 4th. Some of my friends I don't think that I'll see them again, because I live so far from all of them, but I'll never know. I've found love and peace on this trip, as that being on my solo night I've learned that there are good days and bad days you just have to look up and be a prouder person, then who you were yesterday. Antwants to get back to us. Thank back

I was I haven't be lazy as much or atleast
not as much as I used to be, but being out here
kept me going for a week or 2 days. My love
for the nature will always be with me because
I've never experienced such beauty before, seeing
the trees and open water has been the best.

All I want to say is that I've had a
wonderful time with the outward bound crew
and I've been blessed with meeting all sorts
of new people.

So here's a Big Thank you, for helping
me come out on this trip.

- Sincerely

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