Staff Canoeing/Boating Skills Verification							
Evaluator: Date:							
Staff members should be able to demonstrate, or at least verbalize, an appropriate level of skill in each area listed below <i>prior</i> to having campers visit their program area.							
The staff member can:	Staff Name:						
Do the activity well; row and turn around							
Name the parts of the paddle and boat; name different strokes and what they are used for							
Select proper equipment based on ability/size							
Maintain equipment in safe, working order; knows when to repair/replace old equipment							
Store equipment safely and correctly							
Set up and maintain a safe, clean program area							
Give clear and accurate instructions							
Describe safety precautions (rules) and equipment							
Describe emergency responses to situations (e.g., capsized boat, dam proximity)							
Give a clear orientation to participants, including safety rules and precautions							
Supervise participants until they have appropriate level of skill/knowledge (and knows when that is)							
Describe adaptive measures for age and skill levels							
Plan and deliver progressive instruction based on campers' ages, skills, and interest levels							
"Break" skills into smaller pieces; teach basic skills on land before getting into a boat							
Spot and correct technique problems in a positive and supportive manner							
Where appropriate, pair children with like ability							