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## **Cadets of Alexander Nevsky Cadet School of Investigative Committee to take part in selection to IX Russian Youth Expedition “Ski to the North Pole!”**



Following the suggestion of the State Educational Policy Department of the Russian Ministry of Education and Science cadets of the Alexander Nevsky Cadet School of the Investigative Committee will take part in the IX Russian Youth Expedition “Ski to the North Pole!” 2016.

At present 5 cadets have already passed the first qualifying stage and have set off for Karelia to join 35 other boys and girls who arrived from 13 regions of Russia to participate in a practice session at the Bolshoye Puteshestviye children’s tourist camp.

If the cadets win this selection, they are going on a traditional Arctic adventure, when a team of 7 Russian teenagers aged between 16 and 18 ski 110 km across the pack ice from the Barneo Ice Station to the North Pole. The expedition will be headed by famous polar explorer Matvei Shparo.

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Once on the top of the world, the teenagers will raise flags of Russia, their regions, schools, cadet schools and agencies. The expedition is held jointly with the Federal Children and Youth Tourism and Local History Center of the Russian Ministry of Education and Science.

According to the trainers and instructors of the camp, the young candidates to the polar expedition are going to go through trials that surpass any challenges the teenagers may face while travelling across the pack ice of the Arctic Ocean.

The 5 cadets were selected following a knowledge tests taken by more than 81 thousand people. Future firefighters from the Emergency Ministry cadet school of Saint Petersburg, cadets of the St. George Cadet School of Moscow, young Cossacks from Krasnodar Territory and Rostov, cadets of the Civil Defense Academy from Moscow Region are also going to fight for a place in the polar expedition.

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