



Campership Application

Thank you for your interest in Camp Hidden Meadows. Camp Hidden Meadows has been a summer retreat for children for more than 30 years. We deeply believe in the value of camp - time spent away from home is a unique opportunity to expand one's horizons, learn new and exciting skills, and make long-lasting friendships. We also recognize that the cost of attending a session may be beyond the reach of some families.

To help make camp more accessible, the Camp Hidden Meadows Campership Fund was established in 2022. The Fund provides tuition assistance to families who would not otherwise be able to afford a session of Camp Hidden Meadows for their child.

Camperships are awarded based on financial need and camper program fit and as such, we ask that all applicants do their best to truly assess their ability to contribute to camp tuition. The mission of our Campership program is to enable campers to attend whose families have no other means of sending their child to camp. If you have support from other family members or friends who are willing to contribute to your child's tuition, please consider that when completing your application.

Guidelines:

- Camperships are available for any session depending on availability.
- Camperships are only available for one session.
- Camperships are limited based on available funds each year. Partial Camperships are our only form of Campership. All families will be required to contribute a portion of tuition.
- Once a Campership has been granted, we will attempt to prioritize that camper in future years should they 1) want to come back for an additional summer, 2) still have financial need (validated by a new application each year) and 3) were a positive addition to the camp community the previous summer (i.e. no behavioral issues). Please note that no guarantee can be made for future campership awards. This is only a commitment of intention to prioritize previous recipients to encourage a multi-summer experience.

If your child receives a Campership, we would very much appreciate hearing from you, or your child, about their experience at camp. A note, letter, or email recounting their favorite activities, adventures, or memorable moments can be a tremendous help with future fundraising efforts. Sharing a parent or camper's authentic voice describing camp to potential donors can aid us greatly in securing future contributions.

A child's summer camp experience includes new friendships, fun, challenges, and personal growth. We hear from parents consistently that their child returned home with a deepened sense of responsibility for oneself, others, and the environment. There is no better feeling than making that experience a reality, so we look forward to reviewing your Campership Application.



The deadline for Campership Applications is May 1, 2024. Please allow 1-3 weeks for application review and processing. Applications received after the deadline will be reviewed only if additional funding is available.

To apply for a Campership, please complete and return the following to the Camp Hidden Meadows office:

- A completed Campership Application.
- Documentation of financial need (IRS Form 1040 from most recent year). If this is not available by the deadline, please estimate the current amount on the Campership Application and also include a copy of Form 1040 for the most recent year available.
- Information regarding any unique circumstances not reflected in the application materials. The more information you can provide, the easier it is for us to make decisions that are consistent with the goals of the program.
- A completed Reference Letter (for new applicants only).

Completed applications can be emailed to the address below. We can also accept mailed paper applications as well - please utilize the below address with attention to Kat Harlan.

Mail	Phone	Email
17739 Potomac Highland Trail Bartow, WV 24920	800-600-4752	kat@camphiddenmeadows.com



2024 Campership Application

Camper Information:

Camper's Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Camper Gender: _____

Camper's Address: _____

Current Grade in School: _____

Name & Address of School: _____

Camper Lives With:

Parent Guardian Confidential Statement

Parent 1 Name: _____ Occupation: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Parent 2 Name: _____ Occupation: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Parents' Current Marital Status:

Number of Persons Living in Household of Child Applicant: _____

Number of dependents of supporting parent(s) / guardian(s): _____

Camperships are available for any session (please see <https://www.camphiddenmeadows.com/programs/dates-rates> for dates and fees).

Which session are you hoping to enroll in?: _____

If we are only able to offer your child a partial Campership, how much of the fee are

you able to pay? \$ _____

Are other family members / friends contributing to camp tuition?

If yes, how much? \$ _____

Have you previously received a Campership?

Adjusted Gross Income for person(s) supporting above child for most recent calendar year: (include wages, salaries, interest, commissions, dividends): \$ _____

Please attach a copy of the first page of IRS Form 1040. Please note that financial information should be included for any parent / guardian who provides financial support, regardless of marital status.

Total non-taxable income of same person(s) for same period: (Social Security, child support, welfare, veteran's benefits, etc.) \$ _____

How did you find out about Camp Hidden Meadows? _____

Additional Information: Please use the space below to provide any further information regarding unique circumstances not otherwise reflected in the application materials.

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the above statements are true.

Signature of Parent or Guardian

Date



Optional Camper Applicant Essay

FIRST TIME CAMPERS: *This essay is to help us learn more about you, so please tell us about yourself! What do you like to do? How do you spend your free time? Why do you wish to attend Camp Hidden Meadows? What do you hope to gain from your experience at camp?*

RETURNING CAMPERS: *How would you describe your experience last summer at Camp Hidden Meadows?*



Reference Letter

For camper families who have not attended Camp Hidden Meadows in the past, we require an additional reference letter to be completed by your camper's teacher, or another independent authority that can objectively comment on their behavior and ability to succeed in a summer camp environment.

A link to the reference letter can be found [here](#).

Your application will not be reviewed until all application materials have been received by our team.