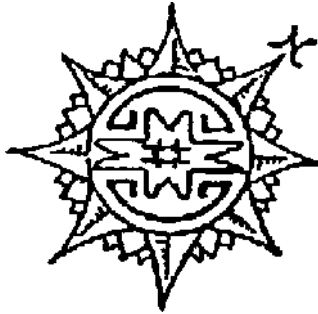


FOUR WINDS * WESTWARD HO
FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION
2023



Four Winds * Westward Ho

PO Box 140

Deer Harbor WA 98243



Since 1968 Four Winds * Westward Ho has offered financial aid to campers who would otherwise be unable to attend camp. We seek children who have leadership ability and the potential to contribute to the camp community. It is our hope the campers take their camping opportunity to learn and practice leadership with others from across the globe in an atmosphere different from home or school.

As much as we would like to, we are not able to grant financial aid to all families who apply. The amount of an award offer is based on the financial need of each family; and partial aid award requests are more likely to be considered than full. We encourage all our applicants to assess their true need and contribute as much as possible to the tuition costs. Once granted aid, our Financial Aid program commits to providing a similar campership award to eligible applicants for three (3) consecutive years, provided a completed application is received on time and financial circumstances have remained consistent across the years.

We ask you to write about any unique circumstances the committee might take into account when selecting campers. The more information which is known about your family situation, the easier it is for the committee to make decisions.

To apply for financial aid the following items should be returned as soon as possible but no later than **February 1, 2023**:

- A **Camper Registration Form**: This form is completed on our website fourwindscamp.org/register or through your Four Winds Parent Account (fourwindscamp.org/login).
- A **deposit of \$50**: This can be paid during online registration and will eventually go into the store account for your child. If the deposit is a challenge, please contact us.
- The confidential **Financial Aid Request Form**: This needs to be completed as thoroughly as possible. Please answer all questions entirely and be sure to sign the bottom of the final page.



- **Reference Form(s):** To be completed by adults who know your child outside of the home - not family or relatives. Three (3) references are required for new financial aid applicants, but only one (1) is needed for returning applicants. It is required to have at least one reference completed by a current teacher or coach.

It is a good idea to give a pre-addressed, stamped envelope to those people to whom you have given a Reference Form. A letter may be written in lieu of completing a form, but the writer should be encouraged to use our form as a guideline for the type of information we seek about our candidates.

- A copy of your **2022 Income Tax** (Form 1040) or foreign tax form: If there is a challenge in submitting your return to us by February 1, please contact us with an ETA for submission. Without this information, we may not be able to grant aid. Often, families will provide the Financial Aid Request Form and required references by the deadline, and provide their tax information a few weeks later. Communication is key.
- A **brief statement from your child** (new campers only) about why he or she would like to come to camp and what they might like to experience here.

The deadline for all materials is February 1, 2023.

You do not need to send all the items together, but they do need to be submitted by the deadline. If you cannot provide the 2022 Tax Return by February 1, please let us know when we can expect it.



We are pleased you are interested in applying for Financial Aid to attend Four Winds Camp. We are looking forward to receiving your application.

Notification of awards will be provided by the end of March following the Financial Aid Committee Meeting.

If your child receives an award, we will ask him or her to write a thank you letter after the camp session is over. We share thank you letters with donors and our Board of Trustees. These letters document the value of our Financial Aid Program and help us secure additional funding.

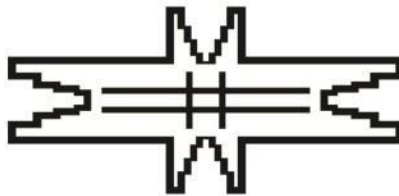
Please send completed forms and materials by February 1, 2023, to:

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Financial Aid Application
PO Box 140
Deer Harbor WA 98243

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Equal Opportunity

Four Winds welcomes Financial Aid applications (along with full tuition camper applications) without regard to immigration status, race, creed, color, national origin, sex, honorably discharged veteran or military status, sexual orientation, gender identity, or the presence of any sensory, mental, or physical disability (or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a person with a disability). The diversity of campers and staff enriches the camping experiences for all.