**Hello Parents! We have a NEW Scholarship Application process for 2020!**

We understand that families sometimes face economic challenges and must make difficult choices. Our hope is that no child would miss out on this life-changing opportunity because of cost. Camp Widjiwagan offers scholarship assistance to campers with financial, spiritual and emotional needs. We are happy to review your application materials for a scholarship to help support you sending your child to camp this summer.
We award scholarships to a camper to attend **one** camp session per summer. More than one child in the same household can be awarded a scholarship.

*Due to the volume of scholarship applications we receive, we have made changes in our process in an effort to be able to help as many families as possible. Our new process is outlined below.*

**NEW 2020 Scholarship Process**:

1. **Register your camper online.** Choose your session and program, complete the required forms, and pay the $50 deposit (per camper). Registration must be complete in order to be considered for a scholarship. **Scholarships are awarded to the base program rate and do not include add-ons or transportation fees.**

*If you do not qualify for or you choose not to accept the scholarship, your $50 deposit will be refunded.*

1. **Complete the Scholarship Application.** After completing the online registration and paying your deposit, click the Download Forms tab in the Forms section on your camper’s registration dashboard. Download and complete the Scholarship Application, then upload the completed application and copies of your financial documentation. The directions on how to do this are on the Scholarship Application.
2. **That’s it!** Once you have registered your camper, uploaded both the application and copy of your financial documentation, you are done! We get notified each morning of scholarships submitted the day before, and will send you a confirmation that we received your application at that time.

**We will be accepting Scholarship Application submissions from February 1 – March 31, 2020. We will review all applications after the submission window has closed, and we will notify families of a scholarship award no later than April 10, 2020. Starting in 2020, if your family received a scholarship the previous year, the max scholarship you would be eligible for is 55%.**

Complete scholarship applications submitted by the deadline will be reviewed starting April 1, 2020.

We will notify you of any missing items or incomplete applications by email – please add scholarships@ymcamidtn.org to your safe senders list to make sure you don’t miss these. Please keep in mind that each session has a limited amount of scholarship funding available.

*For questions, please contact Jenny Beckelhymer, Director of Administration at* *jbeckelhymer@ymcamidtn.org*

**Scholarship Application Checklist**

**\*\*All steps must be completed for your application to be considered\*\***

**Step 1: Online Registration**

Complete online registration for each camper for which you are applying for a scholarship, including paying your $50 deposit per child.

*\*Remember, your application will not be reviewed if this step is not complete. Your application will not be able to be processed and you will need to reapply after this step is complete*

**Step 2: Scholarship Application**

Complete the online 2020 Scholarship Application. Deadline to submit a scholarship application is 11:59pm on March 31, 2020.

*\*If you are applying for a scholarship for multiple children in your household, you will only need to submit one scholarship application per family.*

**Step 3: Income Verification**

After you upload your scholarship application, you will need to upload your financial documentation. (Instructions on Scholarship Application)

**Step 4: Scholarship Application Processing**

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**Step 5: Scholarship Acceptance**

Follow the instructions in your award letter to officially accept your scholarship and complete the process.