## MINNEAPOLIS JEWISH FEDERATION 2016 CAMP SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES

## To Access the Application go to:

Note: we have moved to an <u>online application</u>; however, if you are unable to complete it online there will be other submission forms available. Check our website for details.

- The SUBMITTED online application (preferred) or hard copy application and accompanying information must be received NO LATER THAN MIDNIGHT on MONDAY, MARCH 28, 2016. Applications received after this date will not be considered.
- 2. Your child **MUST** be registered for camp **BEFORE** the scholarship application will be considered.
- 3. Requests to the Minneapolis Jewish Federation will be considered **ONLY** if the first two pages of the last submitted Federal Income Tax Return is included with the application.

## **APPLICATION CRITERIA**

- I. Campers must be Jewish.
- 2. Campers/families must be residents of the greater Minneapolis metropolitan area.
- 3. Campers/families in the <u>St. Paul</u> area and its suburbs should apply through the Jewish Federation of Greater St. Paul (<u>www.jewishstpaul.org</u>).
- 4. Campers must be Age 5 (entering kindergarten in fall 2016) and older to qualify.
- 5. Scholarships will be awarded to children registered to attend recognized day and overnight Jewish camps. Before-care and after-care programs for Jewish day camp are not eligible for support. You may use the same application form to apply for either day or overnight camp scholarship assistance. Strong preference is given to camps within the Midwest region (i.e. Minnesota and Wisconsin) but special circumstances will be considered.
- 6. Scholarship funds may be available specifically for children with special needs.
- 7. Scholarship funds are available **ONLY** for the cost of **Camp Tuition** (not to pay for transportation, trip fees, or any other costs involved).
- 8. There is no income eligibility cut-off to apply, but funds are limited and allocated to those in greatest need.

## **APPLICATION INFORMATION**

I. Applications submitted must be the <u>current</u> version available through the Minneapolis Jewish Federation website. <u>Applications from previous years will no longer be accepted</u>. The Minneapolis Jewish Community Standardized Camp Scholarship Application form can be downloaded by visiting http://jewishminneapolis.org/livejewish-in-minneapolis/scholarships/. If you are unable to access the website, please contact the Community Impact Department.

2. There are four parts to the Minneapolis Jewish Community Standardized Application:

Part I – Family Information

Part 2 – Child Information/Financial Worksheet

Part 3 – Narrative Information

Part 4 – Financial Information

Other scholarship-granting organizations also accept the Minneapolis Jewish Community Standardized Camp Scholarship Application form. If any of these organizations are applicable to your family, please make copies of your application for each and **send** directly to each organization. Please note that some organizations may require only certain pages. For example, some organizations do not ask for financial information while others require that information be submitted. **Please check with each agency to ensure that you are providing them with the information they require.** 

- 3. You will receive confirmation **from the Minneapolis Jewish Federation** of receipt of the application within five business days after submission.
- 4. Once the application has been received by the Minneapolis Jewish Federation, you will have two weeks from that date to notify us of any necessary changes (example: camp location, camp session, etc.). Any changes after that will not be accepted no exceptions.
- 5. Your child's name may be shared confidentially with other groups that offer Jewish camp scholarships for the purposes of scholarship distribution.
- 6. The Minneapolis Jewish Federation will notify families of awards granted by Monday, April 25, 2016.
- 7. Funds that have been awarded cannot be redistributed between other children in a family. For example, should two children receive scholarship assistance but one does not attend camp, their award will be forfeited and returned to the fund for future needs.
- 8. Scholarship payments will be sent directly to the applicant's camp on behalf of the camper.

Questions should be directed to the Community Impact Department at

campscholarships@mplsfed.org or 952-417-2314.

We prefer online submissions; however if you need to forward a hard copy or electronic version of the Completed Application please send to:

Camp Scholarships
Attn: Community Impact Department Minneapolis Jewish Federation
13100 Wayzata Blvd., Suite 200
Minnetonka, MN 55305

Or Email to: <a href="mailto:campscholarships@mplsfed.org">campscholarships@mplsfed.org</a>