

2025 Summer Youth & Teen Aquatic Adventure Camps Scholarship Program Information

The Scholarship Program

The Summer Youth Camps are an opportunity for local youth to develop safe aquatic and outdoor skills while learning about themselves and the local environment. Outdoor Adventures welcomes all youth to have an opportunity to participate in these fun and educational programs. We are proud to offer scholarships for youth and their families with financial need for the 2025 summer season. Funding for the scholarship program is made possible by the California State Parks Division of Safety Boating and Waterways. We greatly appreciate the generous support as the scholarship program would not be possible without them.

Scholarship Information

Scholarship eligibility will be based on the following:

- Family income
- Amount requested
- Camp availability
- Total number of scholarship requests submitted for a particular camp
- Remaining scholarship funds

How to Apply

All applicants for the scholarship program must:

1. Complete the enclosed application.
2. Provide proof of stated public assistance (if applicable) or, if not on assistance, provide proof of income (Please black out and redact all private information)
3. Complete all necessary registration paperwork and return with proof of eligibility. Only one scholarship per child will be awarded.
4. The scholarship deadline is two weeks prior to the start of the camp of choice. However, there is limited scholarship funding available and we recommend applying as early as possible. Scholarship applications may be returned to Outdoor Adventures at the following address or fax:

Outdoor Adventures

RE: Scholarship Application

Rec & Wellness Center, RWC 101

1 Harpst St.

Arcata, CA 95521

Awards & Notification

Scholarships are reviewed in the order they are submitted with the **first review being April 15th**. Scholarships are reviewed weekly after that date. You will be notified via phone or email whether or not you receive an award. Your award notification will include an award confirmation deadline. If you do not confirm your award by the given deadline, your award may be cancelled!

If you did not receive an award and still wish for your child to participate in camp, the remaining balance will be due at the time of registration. Any remaining paperwork must be completed for the camp.



Eligibility

If you DO receive public assistance...

You will be eligible for a scholarship award if you receive any of the following listed below. In order to be considered, you must provide Outdoor Adventures with current proof that you are receiving one of the following:

1. Cal Fresh
2. CalWORKs (TANF)
3. Social Security Income (SSI)/Disability
4. Medi-Cal

If you DO NOT receive public assistance...

If you are not currently receiving any of the above, you may still be eligible for an award based on your income. Please complete all appropriate areas on the application form. You may be asked by Outdoor Adventures to provide proof of your income. If it appears that you do not meet the eligibility guidelines as set below, but you have a unique financial situation, please use a separate piece of paper to describe your situation. We will consider applications that are received. Your income earnings should be listed as your household's gross earnings (before deductions), and is defined as the following:

1. Wages, salaries, commissions, and fees one receives as monetary compensation.
2. Net income from self-employment.
3. Dividends or interest on savings bonds, income from estates or trust, and rental income.
4. Alimony or child support payments.
5. Unemployment compensation.
6. Private pensions or annuities.
7. Government civilian employee payments or military retirement pension.

Income Eligibility Guidelines (*Before taxes based on current income sources)

Family Size	Yearly Income*	Monthly Income*	Family Size	Yearly Income*	Monthly Income*
2	\$37,814	\$3,152	5	\$67,673	\$5,640
3	\$47,767	\$3,981	6	\$77,626	\$6,469
4	\$57,720	\$4,810	7	\$87,579	\$7,299

Reminder: Outdoor Adventures will consider ALL COMPLETED APPLICATIONS that are received. If you have a unique family, financial or medical situation, please use a separate sheet to explain. Scholarship funds are limited; so please limit your request to ONE CAMP PER CHILD and only ask for what you really need. You may be issued an award less than the amount requested, as Outdoor Adventures would like to assist as many families as possible.