



Scholarship Application for 2026 Day Camp

Living History Farms' donors contribute to a scholarship fund that provides full or partial scholarships for youth who need financial assistance to participate in Living History Farms' Day Camp program. This form may be used for spring, summer, or winter break camp in 2026.

Questions? Email education@lhf.org or Call 515-278-5286 ext. 157.

Instructions for Parents/Guardians- Please read these scholarship guidelines carefully. Please note that all information is kept strictly confidential, is only shared with the members of the scholarship committee, and all financial information is shredded after the scholarship committee reaches its decision.

Application process:

Step 1 – Fill out and submit this Scholarship Application.

Step 2 – Wait for emailed written acceptance notification from Living History Farms.

Step 3 – If awarded a scholarship, follow instructions included with notification on registering for camp.

- Review our website for camp offerings and general camp guidelines. <https://www.lhf.org/day-camp-2/>
- If you do not follow the application process steps and later need to cancel a camp registration you made prior to the scholarship award, you will be held to the camp cancellation policy. Refer to the Living History Farms website for information on the cancellation policies.
- Applications are considered monthly. Applicants will be notified according to this schedule:
 - Scholarship applications for Spring Break camp will be notified March 2, 2026.
 - Scholarship applications for Summer camp will be notified on the 1st Monday of the month prior to attendance date requested.
 - Scholarship applications for Winter Break camp will be notified on December 14, 2026.
- Completed applications must be received a minimum of (15 business days before the camp week you want your youth to attend. Awarding scholarships is subject to the availability of funds and of space being available in the requested camp.
- The number and amounts of scholarships awarded are dependent on the availability of funds. Employees of Living History Farms are not eligible to apply for scholarships.
- Applicants will be notified of the committee's decision in writing by Living History Farms via mail or email. Scholarships are non-transferable.
- An application must be completed for each child interested in attending camp on a scholarship. Applications for siblings will each be considered individually. A youth may only receive one scholarship per calendar year.
- Please complete all sections of this form and attach all required documents. Incomplete applications will not be considered until corrected.
- Scholarships for camp are awarded based on financial need. Need is determined using guidelines set by the federal government. Extenuating circumstances may be taken into consideration such as illness, loss of job, foster care, death of wage earner, etc.
- Scholarship award amounts are based on the non-member day camp registration fee, the availability of funds, and the U.S. Federal Poverty Guidelines through HHS. For example, based on **2025** guidelines, **a family of four making approximately \$50,000** annually would be eligible for a full, 100% scholarship. Extenuating circumstances will also be factored into the committee's decision.
- Scholarship funds may only be used to cover camp registration fees and may not be used to cover the cost of purchasing a T-shirt, souvenirs, or other extras.



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Return this form **BY MAIL** to:

Day Camp, Living History Farms, 11121 Hickman Road, Urbandale, IA 50322

Never send financial information via email.

If a scholarship is awarded to your camper(s), we ask that you please send a thank you note from the camper and/or the family that can be shared with scholarship donor(s).

Camper's Name: _____ Nickname: _____

Grade at time of camp: (For spring or winter camps, use current grade; for summer, use the grade the camper will be in for the Fall of 2026.) _____

Camp Name & week interested in: *Option 1* _____

Option 2 _____ *Option 3* _____

(See <https://www.lhf.org/day-camp-2/> for camp options and details.)

Parent/Guardian #1 Name: _____ Phone: _____

Email address: _____

Parent/Guardian #2 Name: _____ Phone: _____

Email address: _____

Parent/Guardian Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Total number of people in your household: _____

Has your child previously participated in day camp at Living History Farms? (Please circle) Yes No

How did you hear about the scholarship? _____

Please attach a copy of one of the following items (these documents are kept strictly confidential, and will be shredded after the committee's decision)

- **REQUIRED**
 - Either: First page of most recent 1040 income tax return.
 - Or: 2024 ending pay stub from each parent or guardian.
- **Optional:** If there are any extenuating circumstances, please attach a note explaining the situation.

Signature of PARENT/GUARDIAN: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name of PARENT/GUARDIAN: _____

Is someone other than the parent or guardian completing this form? Answer these questions:

Your name (printed): _____ Date: _____

Your signature: _____

How do you know the youth/family? _____

Your email: _____ Your Phone Number: _____

Internal use only: Date received: _____ By whom: _____

Required documents received: Y N Type of financial document: _____

Action of the committee: A D Amount awarded: _____

Date notification sent: _____ By whom: _____