

Outreach and Community Programming Division

Summer Camp Scholarship Program

DEFINITIONS

- 1. Applicant The parent or guardian who applies for a Summer Camp scholarship for their child.
- 2. Applicant Number A unique number assigned to each household application submitted to YSD.
- 3. Camper A child who is 5-17 years of age and determined eligible for a Summer Camp scholarship. Five-year-old must be currently attending or have completed Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten Program or kindergarten by the time camp starts.
- 4. Camp Scholarship Financial assistance to eligible children to attend a camp operated by an approved Provider.
- 5. Camp Directory Listing of all Providers approved to accept Summer Camp scholarships.
- 6. Certified Teacher An individual with a professional or temporary certificate issued from the Department of Education.
- 7. Department of Children and Families A state agency that provides social services to children, adults, refugees, domestic violence victims, human trafficking victims, the homeless community, child care providers, disabled people, and the elderly.
- 8. Department of Juvenile Justice involved A child that is involved in delinquency matters, excluding violent and sexual offenses.
- 9. Educational Enrichment Camp Provider An organization approved by YSD to accept scholarships under SCSP and provide summer camp activities where 50% of camp activities are educational in nature, in targeted areas throughout Palm Beach County. Staff at these camps must include a minimum of one School District certified teacher who will administer the program's assigned curriculum, to measure academic gains. It is also recommended, that at least one of the staff are certified teachers or students currently studying to earn teaching degrees.

- 10. Field Trip a group excursion to provide firsthand experience, stimulate interest, add relevance to learning, strengthen observation and perception skills, or to promote personal development. Any experience obtained within Palm Beach County outside of the typical camp setting would qualify as a field trip. Field trips are intended to be covered within the scholarship awarded without an additional charge to the family.
- 11. Foster Care Term used for a system in which a minor who has been made a ward is placed in an institution, group home, or private home of a state certified caregiver referred to as a "foster parent". The placement of the child is usually arranged through the government or a social-service agency.
- 12. Full-Time Employment Is defined as verifiable paid work for a minimum of 32 hours per week.
- 13. Full-Time Student A student who is currently enrolled for a minimum 12 college credit hours.
- 14. Friends of Youth Services and Palm Beach County, Inc. (FOYS) Fiscal agent.
- 15. Homeless According to Housing and Urban Development, a person is considered homeless when he/she resides in one of the places described below:
 - a. On the streets or in a place not meant for human habitation
 - b. In an emergency shelter, transitional housing program, or travel trailer park
 - c. In housing, but being evicted within 14 days and not having resources or support networks to obtain housing
 - d. Fleeing/attempting to flee domestic violence
 - e. An individual/family doubled up with others due to loss of housing
 - f. Coded "homeless" by the School District of Palm Beach County, McKinney-Vento Program.
- 16. Liability Palm Beach County YSD provides funding for Summer Camp scholarships through a designated fiscal agent - FOYS. Parents/guardians submitting an application waive any right to make a claim against Palm Beach County, FOYS, or Children Services Council of Palm Beach County (CSC) arising from any action or inaction by the Provider or its personnel.
- 17. Monitoring Reviewing required documentation and visiting campsites throughout the summer to ensure compliance for funding reimbursement.
- 18. Out of School Time (OST) Is for children who need a safe place, caring adults, and enriching activities when school is out.

- 19. Part-Time Employment Is defined as verifiable paid work between 20 and 31 hours per week.
- 20. Program Coordinator The administrator of the SCSP.
- 21. Provider Application Signed application by the Summer Camp Provider accepting the requirements and conditions of the SCSP.
- 22. Scholarship Number A unique number assigned to a child representing approval for a Summer Camp scholarship by YSD.
- 23. SCSP Database A database accessible to providers and parents to complete their application and upload required supporting documents.
- 24. SCSP Database Manual A manual with directives on how to use the database. This includes Providers, Parent and Reviewer Manuals.
- 25. Specialty Camp Is unique in the type of activities provided. Activities offered are significantly different from activities offered at other camps.
- 26. Special Needs Individuals with any type of disability or special need, receiving social security benefits or otherwise approved by YSD based on need for placement in a camp for youth with Special Needs.
- 27. Sports Camp Provides athletic activities.
- 28. Summer Camp Provides activities including but not limited to enrichment, education, recreational, pro-social and field trips during the summer for school age children. There are two types of camps; Summer Camp and Specialized Camp. Specialized Camps, include Educational Enrichment Camps (EEC), Sports, Specialty, and Special Needs camps.
- 29. Summer Camp Scholarship Provider (Provider) An organization approved by YSD to accept scholarships under SCSP. The Provider must be based in Palm Beach County, and operating according to the guidelines outlined in the Provider Application. Providers must provide a minimum of <u>nine (9) hours</u> of supervised activities daily, unless otherwise approved by YSD.
- 30. Verifiable Paid Work Documented proof of hours worked (paystubs/Free and Reduced Lunch documentation/YSD income verification form and all other methods approved by YSD staff). Notarized statements will not be accepted, without employer's signature.

- 31. Veterans Operations Enduring Freedom (OEF) and Operations Iraqi Freedom (OIF) U.S. military personnel recently returned from Active Duty, who were deployed to tours of duty in Afghanistan and Iraq. Children of these veterans receive consideration for participation in programs that help meet the readjustment needs of OEF and OIF service members, veterans, and their families when they return from duty.
- 32. Year-round programs Ongoing year-round daily programming offered throughout the School District of Palm Beach County's school calendar.