



The Mid Pines Foundation - Campership Program

Mission Statement

The 'Mid Pines Foundation raises camperships funds and fosters strong alumnae connections to ensure the richness of a Waukeela experience is available to a diversity of families while fostering strong alumnae connections so that we may all keep Waukeela in our lives, long past our camping days.

The purpose of the Campership Program is to increase the diversity of campers and provide those who could not otherwise afford Waukeela Camp for Girls tuition with financial assistance for the purpose of attending a traditional, residential girls camp.

Objectives & Guidelines

The Mid Pines Foundation Campership Program is supported by donations from alumnae, family, and friends of Waukeela Camp for Girls and the Board of the Mid Pines Foundation (“the Board”). As a result the amount of camperships available are directly tied to funds raised by the Board.

Camperships are awarded annually on the basis of application and financial need. Financial need is determined based on the family’s annual earnings, the number of individuals supported by those earnings, and any extenuating circumstances, which make financial assistance necessary.

In order to create a sense of ownership for the camp experience, families of selected campers are expected to pay a portion of the tuition. The level at which each family is expected to contribute varies based on the individual family’s current financial situation and available campership resources. As such, the level of financial assistance may vary from year-to-year.

In providing financial assistance, the Campership Program may also serve to increase socioeconomic, racial, and ethnic diversity of the overall camper population. Special consideration may also be given to children of Waukeela alumnae.

Candidates for campership awards must complete the application process in total, which includes providing:

1. Financial information and circumstances requested within the below application form
2. A camper essay
3. May or may not include an interview (either face-to-face or telephone) with a designated member of the Board
4. Applicants MUST register for camp and pay a \$700 deposit through the Waukeela Website (deposit will be refunded if campership assistance is denied) by December 1st.

Camperships are awarded on a summer-by-summer and case-by-case basis. Campership recipients will be selected by vote of the Board or a designated committee of the Board, and decisions will be based on:

- Financial need
- The camper's demonstrated interest in attending camp, and overall Waukeela spirit and values
- If the camper has previously received a campership, and she and her family are in good communication and relational standing with both Camp and the Board
- Meeting the application deadlines

The camper's interest in camp and Waukeela spirit are evaluated based upon the camper essay, interview (as needed, per request of the Board), and/or information from the Camp Director and other staff or alumnae.

Being in good relational standing with both Camp and the Board includes the parent/guardian(s) (and/or when appropriate, the camper) communicating openly and honestly with Camp and the Mid Pines Board in a timely manner prior, during, and after the camp season.

No campers signing up for two weeks will be considered for a campership.

Campership Application Process & Timeline

- **December 1, 2016** -All applications for campers and CITs must be submitted in completion to the Mid Pines Board
 - All applications and questions regarding Camperships should be emailed directly to the Mid Pines Foundation at midpines.waukeela@gmail.com.
 - All applicants must register for camp on the Waukeela website and pay the \$700 deposit. All deposits submitted with a campership application are refundable until March 15, 2017.
- **February 28, 2017** – Board sends official Campership letters to all applicant's families with campership award amounts.
- **March 15, 2017** - All campership families must officially accept/ decline their campership award by responding to the Mid Pines.

- o If your family needs more time to decide, please email Mid Pines directly at midpines.waukeela@gmail.com to share with us how much more time is needed.

Mid Pines Foundation Campership Application

I. Camper Information

Date: _____

Camper Name: _____

Current Grade & DOB: _____

Camper Address: _____

Camper would like to attend:

____ First Session ____ Second Session

If a returning Waukeela camper:

What summers has the camper attended at Waukeela Camp?

Please indicate what summers a campership application was submitted, yet not awarded:

Please indicate what summers a campership application was submitted and awarded - include award amount:

Name of Parent/Guardian (1) – Primary contact

Home Address

E-mail Address

Telephone Numbers (h/w/c)

Occupation, Position & Present Employer

Name of Parent/Guardian (2)

Home Address

E-mail Address

Telephone Numbers (h/w/c)

Occupation, Position & Present Employer

If either parent/guardian is unemployed, please give the most recent position, employer, and dates of employment: _____

List any relative who is a current or former Waukeela camper or staff member:

II. Financial Information

Total Annual Family Income (check one):

- _____ Under \$35,000
- _____ \$35,000 - \$65,000
- _____ \$65,000 - \$80,000
- _____ \$80,000 - \$100,000
- _____ Over 100,000

Ages of children dependent on this income: _____

Number of adults dependent on this income: _____

How much can your family responsibly contribute toward the upcoming summer's camp tuition, which is \$5,950 per 4-week session (including registration fee)? _____

Please describe any circumstances that make financial assistance necessary for your family (i.e., unusual medical expenses, unemployment, tuition for education, etc.)

(use more sheets if necessary)

III. Required Attachments

(please check)

- A signed copy of your most recent U.S. income tax return (Form 1040 or 1040A only) must be submitted along with this application. All information will be kept confidential.

- 2017 refundable camp registration fee for \$700.00.

IV. Camper Essay

- All campers applying for a campership from the Mid Pines Foundation are requested to write a brief essay detailing why they wish to attend Waukeela Camp for Girls and what they hope to get out of and learn from their time at camp. Please include as an attachment when submitting your application.

V. Affirmation of Complete and Truthful Information

I declare that all information reported on this form, to the best of my knowledge and belief, is correct, true, and complete. I have attached all copies of my most recent U.S. income tax return (Form 1040 or 1040A); and I understand failure to provide documents may result in a delay in processing or in the inability of the committee to provide a campership award.

Signature of Parent/ Guardian (1)

Date

Signature of Parent/ Guardian (2)

Date