

## Camper Scholarship Policy

The intent of the Tapawingo Scholarship Fund is to help as many girls come to camp who would not otherwise be able to do so. Tapawingo seeks to provide the available scholarship funds to campers who have a genuine need of assistance.

\*The following guidelines are provided to the Tapawingo Director regarding the administration of camper scholarships.

1. The Director has scholarships to be awarded at her discretion.
2. Scholarship aid may cover partial or full camper fee although full fee should only be covered in extreme situations.
3. Those applying for a scholarship must write a short statement on why it should be given.
4. Scholarships will not be awarded without submission of the Tapawingo Scholarship Application Form.
5. After you register for camp, your camper's space will be held for two weeks while you complete and return the scholarship application.

\*Please note: When you register for camp all camper families should pay the deposit fee if at all possible. If deposit fee is prohibitive, please contact Tapawingo Director prior to registration.

6. In keeping with the intent of the scholarship fund and in fairness to others, scholarships are not provided for girls who are staying more than one week (in the case of CIT campers, one CIT Session).
7. The amount of scholarship funds available to the Director in a given year are determined as follows:
  - A. Current Camper Scholarship Contributions:  
100% of money given by campers designated for this fund will be used for scholarships.
  - B. Memorial Contributions:  
Any money given by deceased campers and/or families designated to the scholarship fund will be used for campers who need financial aid.
  - C. Outside Contributions:

Any money given by friends of Tapawingo that is specified will be used for scholarship purposes.

8. A non-family member (pastor, another Tapawingo family member, etc.) will be contacted by the Director or her designee to confirm the financial need of the applicant.
9. The scholarship committee will meet during the month of February to discuss each scholarship application and award finances as deemed fit. The scholarship committee is comprised of the Tapawingo Director, Assistant Director and CAMP-of-the-WOODS Chief Financial Officer. Applicants will be notified of the status of their request for financial assistance in the first week of April by the Director.
10. All funds that are not used for that year will be saved in the scholarship fund and used the following year.
11. In addition to the above scholarships and scholarship funds, the Director is encouraged to utilize the full camp capacity. Hence, if within four weeks of the start of any camp period the Director determines camper vacancies will exist, she is authorized to contact potential campers, not yet registered, who she feels would benefit from the Tapawingo experience and offer scholarships as appropriate. The total of such scholarships are to be reported to the Board at its summer meeting.
12. This policy is intended to be a guideline for budgeting and administration. Should the Director find that these guidelines are too restrictive and negatively impacts the mission of Tapawingo, she should request flexibility, as appropriate, from the Executive Committee.
13. Careful consideration should be heeded with campers attending other camps and receiving scholarship aid from those camps.

\*Please note: Campers and their families should make every effort to contribute toward their week at camp.