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It is never too early to start thinking about spending time at YWCA Vermont Camp Hochelaga for the summer! Dreaming of summer days and warm breezes help us get through the winter.

Enclosed you will find a camp scholarship application and registration form for the 2017 camping season. The deadline for scholarships is February 9, 2017, only completed applications received by the February 9 deadline will be considered. We will be contacting people by March 9, 2017, if they have been accepted. Please do not call the office to check on your application status.

There have been some changes to this year's scholarship process. Please take a moment to read the scholarship application completely to assure we have all the information needed to process your request. Incomplete applications will be returned to you, which will delay processing of your application or make you ineligible if the session you requested is full. A complete application **must** include:

- A completed YWCA Vermont Camp Hochelaga registration form
- A \$150.00 deposit
- Copy of your Federal Tax Return for 2015 (Form 1040)
- Two most recent paystubs and/or verification of federal or state assistance received (SSI, SRS, ANFC, General Assistance, EBT, Read Up, Etc.)
- Copy of the Scholarship Application.

*Please note that YWCA Vermont Camp Hochelaga is not eligible to receive State of Vermont childcare subsidy.*

There is a high demand for financial assistance and we try to serve as many families as possible. For this reason, we do not fund 100% of anyone's total camp tuition or pay for an additional session if they will be attending a paid session. The amount of scholarship is awarded based upon availability of funds, family income, family size, session availability, and family need. When returning a completed scholarship application, a registration deposit is required to reserve a space. You will not receive a confirmation packet or have space reserved without this deposit.

Should you decline your scholarship offer, your deposit will be refunded to you. We are unable to apply a new friend/camper referral discount to any applications for financial assistance.

If you should have any questions about the scholarship process, please do not hesitate to call the office at 802-862-7520 or email [contactus@ywcavt.org](mailto:contactus@ywcavt.org).

Best Wishes,  
*Donna Diaz*  
Camp Director

**YWCA IS ON A MISSION**

## YWCA VT Camp Hochelaga Scholarship Program

Thank you for your interest in the YWCA VT Camp Hochelaga Scholarship Program. YWCA VT Camp Hochelaga provides residential and day camp experiences for girls and young women. We served close to 700 campers last summer. YWCA VT Camp Hochelaga provides opportunities for young women and girls to develop new skills, explore interests, and take on leadership roles. The goal of the YWCA Camp Hochelaga Scholarship Program is to make camp experiences available to girls whose families could not otherwise afford to send them to camp.

### **Application Instructions**

If applying for more than one camper, please complete a separate application for each.

#### ***Step 1: Complete BOTH PAGES of the Application Form***

1. Please indicate second and third choices, as well as any session you cannot attend.
2. Sign the back. A custodial parent or legal guardian must also sign the application.
3. Be sure all forms are complete with details

#### ***Step 2: Complete the Reference Section***

Have a guidance counselor, teacher, pastor, social worker or other adult who is NOT a family member complete the YWCA VT Camp Hochelaga Reference form. There is a section to complete with the prospective camper. Please provide as much specific detail as possible, especially since the number of applications often exceeds our funding.

***Step 3: Enclose copies of your 2015 IRS 1040 (pages 1 and 2), AND a recent pay stub OR letter from employer.***

#### ***Step 4: Return your completed application***

Mail the completed application, **along with a \$150.00 deposit**, in time for delivery by the deadline of **February 9, 2017** to **YWCA VT Camp Hochelaga Scholarship Program, 76 Pearl St., Suite #205, Essex Jct., VT 05452** or email to [contactus@ywcavt.org](mailto:contactus@ywcavt.org)

Summer Camp Scholarship Guidelines:

- Applicants are evaluated without regard to race, age, religion, natural origin, or physical ability.
- Funding is limited and scholarships are not guaranteed to all applicants.
- Incomplete applications will not be reviewed.
- Scholarship amounts will be awarded based on need and merit.

*Late applications are held for the next round if funds are available.* Please fill out the enclosed registration form and send with the scholarship application. This will help speed up the process.

### **Award Information**

You will receive notification by March 19, 2017, of your award status. ***Please, do not call about the status of the application.*** To accept any award offered, follow the instructions in the award notice.

## YWCA VT Camp Hochelaga Scholarship Program Application Form

Fill out one Scholarship application per camper.

Please print clearly, complete all sections, and sign.

Reference Form Section must be completed and signed by both camper and reference.

Mail completed form to Essex Jct., Office

**February 9, 2017 Deadline**

### Camper Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Age on 6/25/17 \_\_\_\_\_ Grade in Fall 2017 \_\_\_\_\_

Have you attended YWCA VT Camp Hochelaga? Yes No

Have you received a scholarship? Yes No

Will you attend another camp or summer program this year? Yes No

If yes, what camp or program? \_\_\_\_\_

What school do you attend? \_\_\_\_\_

### Family Information (The family co-applicant must be a custodial parent or legal guardian)

Parent/Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/Town \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Employer \_\_\_\_\_

If unemployed provide most recent position, employer & dates of employment: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please describe your family's financial need for assistance.**

**Income must be verified by your 2015 IRS 1040 (pages 1 and 2), AND a recent pay stub OR letter from employer. No application will be processed without proper income verification attached.**

We would appreciate help because: ***check as many as apply***

- ☐ we are eligible for free / reduced school lunch programs
- ☐ we are eligible for food stamps or housing assistance
- ☐ one or more family members has a disability or is ill
- ☐ one or more adults is unemployed or under-employed
- ☐ financial difficulty related to divorce or separation from spouse or partner
- ☐ one or more adults is a college student or studying for a GED
- ☐ we have debt payments that are difficult to meet
  - ☐ mortgage/rent is more than 30% of income
  - ☐ credit card payments
  - ☐ other (please describe) \_\_\_\_\_
  - ☐ medical debt
  - ☐ student loan debt

## YWCA VT Camp Hochelaga Scholarship Program Application Form

What YWCA VT Camp Hochelaga program session are you applying for?

- Mark your first choice with a number 1 in the box next to your preferred session. Then mark your second and third choices with 2 and 3 respectively.
- Put an X in the box of any session you cannot attend.
- Due to the limited amount of funds we cannot award multiple sessions.

Residential Camp- 1 week \$775 *2 week sessions - \$1,300	Mini Camp     \$375.00	Day Camp     \$280.00
<input type="checkbox"/> RC 1 Jun 25 - July 1	<input type="checkbox"/> MC 1 – June 25 – June 28	<input type="checkbox"/> DC 1 – June 26 – June 30
<input type="checkbox"/> RC 2 July 2 - July 8	<input type="checkbox"/> MC 2 – July 3 – July 5	<input type="checkbox"/> DC 2 – July 3 - July 7
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>RC 3 July 9 - July 22 * (2 wks.)</b>		<input type="checkbox"/> DC 3 – July 10 - July 14
<input type="checkbox"/> RC 4 July 23 - July 29		<input type="checkbox"/> DC 4 – July 17 - July 21
<input type="checkbox"/> RC 5 July 30 – Aug 5		<input type="checkbox"/> DC 5 – July 24 – July 28
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>RC 6 Aug 6 – Aug 19 *(2 wks.)</b>		<input type="checkbox"/> DC 6 – July 31 – Aug 4
<b>Counselor in Training (CIT) \$1,650</b>		<input type="checkbox"/> DC 7 – Aug 7 – Aug 11
<input type="checkbox"/> CIT July 16 – August 19		<input type="checkbox"/> DC 8 – Aug 14 – Aug 18

### Calculate the help you need

***Due to the anticipated need for financial assistance, only one week of camp may be eligible for scholarship assistance.***

The program and session we request has tuition of     \$ \_\_\_\_\_

If awarded a scholarship, we can pay     \$ \_\_\_\_\_

We ask for a scholarship in the amount of     =     \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that the information I have provided is accurate and that I understand, acknowledge, and agree with the following disclosures are requirements:

- The YWCA VT Camp Hochelaga will hold our information as confidential. They have my consent to use it for two purposes a) to administer the Scholarship Program, including producing reports and publications that include non-identifying information and b) to help our family prepare for our camper's stay at camp.
- It is my responsibility to mail this application in to meet the deadline for round one.
- If awarded a scholarship, it will be my responsibility to a) accept the award by the deadline, b) pay my portion of fees at the required time, and c) promptly advise the YWCA VT Camp Hochelaga if camper cannot attend.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Camper Applicant's Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

## YWCA VT Camp Hochelaga Scholarship Program Application Form

Referrer Full Name & Title \_\_\_\_\_

**Referral Information: To be filled out by an adult who is not a family member.**

School / Organization / Agency \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ City/Town \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

How do you know this applicant, and for how long? \_\_\_\_\_

**How does the applicant already exhibit LAGA girl qualities?**

Choose the top 5 of the examples given below or create your own that best describe this girl.

<b>Leadership</b>	Dependable, helpful, takes initiative, positive role model, good communicator, problem solver
<b>Achievement</b>	Curious, involved, independent, challenges self, hard worker, enthusiastic about learning
<b>Giving</b>	Compassion, empathy, puts others first, supportive, encourages others, includes others
<b>Attitude</b>	Positive outlook, spirited, fair, trustworthy, respectful of self and others, self-confident, motivated, friendly

Please describe at least 2 qualities that best describe the potential camper as you know her.

Please attest to this family's need for financial assistance.

What other reasons do you have for recommending this applicant to scholarship committee?

## YWCA VT Camp Hochelaga Scholarship Program Application Form

***To be answered by the prospective camper with the referrer. She may dictate her answers to you or write them herself in the space below.***

Camper Applicant's Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

Why do you want to attend YWCA VT Camp Hochelaga?

What does being a "LAGA" girl mean to you? Please give examples.

Camp is both fun and a place to grow your LAGA girl qualities. What do you hope to gain or learn from your experience at YWCA VT Camp Hochelaga?

If you will be a returning camper, describe a favorite memory or experience you had while at YWCA VT Camp Hochelaga. How has it impacted/changed your life?

I certify that the information I have provided is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Camper Applicant Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Reference Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Mail all completed forms together to:  
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