

Clearpool Partner School Program for Environmental Science and Experiential Learning

2023-2024 School Scholarship Application

The Clearpool Partner School Program is a year-long academic commitment between your School Superintendent, School Principal, Teachers, and Clearpool. We ask that you review this scholarship application carefully and that the Superintendent, Principal and all involved teachers gain a full understanding of the partnership requirements before deciding to apply.

ALL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH A COMPLETED CONTRACT. IF THE SCHOOL DOES NOT RECEIVE A SCHOLARSHIP THAT WOULD ENABLE THEM TO SECURE A TRIP WE WILL DISREGARD THE CONTRACT.

Funding can cover up to 60% of the cost for the trip. Please be aware that our scholarship funds do not cover transportation, nursing costs, outsourced programming or any students/chaperones that do not attend the trip as contracted.

If you have any questions, please contact Stacey Damiano at our office at (845)-225-8226, ext. 606. **Applications will be reviewed as they are received and we will continue to review applications until funding is exhausted.**

Partner School Scholarship: Schools may apply based on the needs of the school. We will be seeking out schools that are looking for an on-going relationship and can meet one or more of the following criteria:

Commit to a minimum of 2 day trips (one fall/one spring) or 1 overnight trip within the school year.

AND

Demonstrate a vested interest in our Model Forest and an experience focused around scientific field experiences that can enhance your current science curriculum.

and/or

Demonstrate a vested interest in adventure based learning and an experience focused around developing skills including collaboration among peers, leadership, problem-solving and group effectiveness.

School Information

School Name and Address:

Superintendent Name: _____

Principal Name: _____

Telephone: _____

Fax: _____

E-mail: _____
Lead Teacher: _____

Telephone: _____

E-mail: _____

Has your school visited Clearpool? When? _____

Please respond to the following questions. You may type directly after each question or attach an extra sheet.

A.

1. What is the philosophy and mission of your school?

2. Why would your school be a fantastic Partner School? What would receiving these funds mean to your school?

[illegible]

3. What would receiving these funds mean to your school?

[illegible]

B. Student Body

1. Percentage of students receiving free or reduced lunch (school-wide): _____

2. Percentage meeting standards in the following subjects (school-wide):

Science_____ Math_____ Reading_____

3. Describe what access your students have to the outdoors during the school year.

[illegible]

4. Describe common challenges that students in your school are facing.

5. Please fill in with percentages (school-wide):

_____ Black
_____ Asian/Pacific Islander
_____ Hispanic/ Latino
_____ White
_____ Native American /American Indian/First Nations
_____ Other. Please describe. _____

6. What percentage of your students are ELLs? _____

C. Potential Impact on Students

1. Our hope is that our Partner Schools form a relationship with Clearpool that is meaningful and long-lasting. We believe this type of relationship is best achieved with groups that come to Clearpool for *multiple visits* throughout the year. However, we want you to be as realistic as possible in your proposal, putting forth only the trips that you are confident you can successfully complete.

Scholarships are only available from Sept-April. We will only consider scholarships for schools arriving in May or June if the trip will be a supplement to another trip occurring within the same school year.

Please complete specifics of trips below (contracts must be submitted for each trip)

Trip 1: Date/s _____

Grade: _____ # of students: _____ #of chaperones _____

Trip 2: Date/s_____

Grade: _____ # of students: _____ # of chaperones _____

Trip 3: Date/s_____

Grade: _____ # of students: _____ # of chaperones _____

Desired outcomes established by Clearpool education staff for the Partner School Program are as follows:

I. Academic Outcomes:

- Students develop concept knowledge in the disciplines of science, the natural environment and health;
- Students understand problem solving, researching and hypothesizing, and collecting and interpreting data;
- Students demonstrate the ability to construct analysis based on synthesis of information.

II. Environmental Ethic Outcomes:

- Students improve understanding of and attitude toward the environment;
- Students begin to develop environmentally conscious behaviors.

III. Teambuilding Outcomes:

- Students work collaboratively with others; use careful and rational evaluation and judgment;
- Students take ownership of personal actions, decisions and choices;
- Students possess a sense of self-worth and leadership and;
- Students recognize that personal choices impact the future.

2. How will your in-school curriculum support the above stated goals?

[illegible]

3. Are there additional outcomes you want your students to achieve?

D. Cost of Trip

We have a limited scholarship fund, therefore, we must balance the potential impact on students with the funds required to deliver that programming. We also want as many deserving schools to be able to attend Clearpool as possible, so the more your school can contribute, the more funds we will have available for other schools.

1. How much would your school, through its regular budget, grants or fundraising efforts, be able to contribute toward the full cost of the trip?

2. How would you raise funds to be able to participate? Do you have money set aside in your school budget? Would you apply for specific grants? How would you fundraise?

E. Collaboration of School

We are not looking simply to distribute scholarship funds, but are instead hoping to build partnerships between Clearpool and Scholarship Schools. We want to provide evidence to our donors about the benefits of our partner school relationships.

1. What data would you be able to collect from parents, teachers and students to help us evaluate the effectiveness of the program?

2. A Clearpool School Scholarship Agreement requires some paperwork and follow-through on efforts relating to fundraising, curriculum planning, and scheduling and program evaluation. Who at your school will be responsible, and what is their experience in such tasks? Please give examples.

Is there any additional information that you would like to add to this application?

Superintendent Signature:

Principal Signature:

Lead/Contact Teacher Signature: _____

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