



## Scholarship Assistance

Thank you for your interest sending a child to Catalyst Camps at Cedar Lake Ministries. It is our desire that no child misses out on a camp experience due to financial reasons. Through the generosity of thoughtful and caring friends and donors, financial assistance may be available to help a child to attend Catalyst Camps.

Because we desire to be good stewards of the funds God has entrusted to us, we request those who need financial assistance read the information below and complete the application form. If you have any questions while reviewing this information, please contact us by phone (219-374-5941) or e-mail ([info@catalystcamps.org](mailto:info@catalystcamps.org)).

## Possible Reasons for Requesting Assistance

- Financial Hardship such as Unexpected Job Loss or Major Unexpected Expense
- Family Illness Causing Depleted Savings
- Loss of Income Due to Death/Divorce
- Low Income or Single Income

## Qualifications for Assistance

Catalyst Camps and Cedar Lake Ministries believes that attending camp is more meaningful when it is obtained through a joint partnership. We believe that long lasting spiritual growth is spurred on by regular involvement with a church, the local body of believers. To that end, we ask for the following conditions to be adhered to when obtaining assistance through our scholarships program.

1. At least 1/3 of the event cost is covered by the applicant. Suggestions for raising support: car wash, garage sale, babysit, request assistance from family members (such as grandparents), or write support letters (see Page 4 for sample).
2. Preferably, at least 1/3 of the event cost is covered by the applicant's church or organization.
3. Limit two scholarships per family, per year.
4. Family has not been awarded assistance more than three years in a row.

## Scholarship Assistance Process

1. Register for the event online ([www.catalystcamps.org](http://www.catalystcamps.org)), and pay the required deposit. (Typically, \$50, which will go towards 1/3 of the cost the applicant is expected to pay.)
2. Complete the Scholarship Application (Page 2–3). Please send the completed form to: Catalyst Camps | Attn: Scholarships, PO Box 665, Cedar Lake, IN 46303. You may also fax the form to (219) 374-7830 or e-mail it to [info@catalystcamps.org](mailto:info@catalystcamps.org).
3. Once the complete application is received, Catalyst Camps and Cedar Lake Ministries will determine the amount to be scholarshiped to the applicant and notify them of this amount. Depending on the assistance provided by the church or organization, there may be a balance which the applicant will be expected to cover.



Father/Male Name:	Income Per Year: \$
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Source of Income:
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Mother/Female Name:	Income Per Year: \$
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Source of Income:
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**Have the applicants ever been to Cedar Lake Ministries or Catalyst Camps before?  
If so, what year(s)?**

Church Name:	Pastor Name:
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Church Address:	Phone:
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City/State/Zip:
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**Please provide us with a reference who can verify your request/need.**

Name:	Relationship to You:
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Address:	Phone:
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City/State/Zip:
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**Please have your church or organization complete the remainder of the form.**

The Catalyst Camps and Cedar Lake Ministries' scholarship program is designed to provide scholarships for those who have a valid need. The applicant will pay at least 1/3 of the cost of the camp. We then ask the applicant's church or organization to validate the need of the applicant and contribute 1/3 of the cost. CC and CLM will then scholarship the remaining cost within a reasonable amount.

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, this applicant does have a need as described on Page 1.  
Our church/organization **can help provide** this applicant with financial assistance.  
We can provide assistance in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_. We will send a check, payable to CLM with the applicants name in the memo line, on \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ (date).

**OR**

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, this applicant does have a need as described on Page 1.  
However, our church/organization **cannot help provide** this applicant with financial assistance.

<b>Signature</b> (of authorized church/organization personnel)	<b>Title</b>	<b>Date</b> / /
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## Sample Support Letter

(We encourage each applicant to personalize this letter. )

April 18, 2013

Dear \_\_\_\_\_,

How are you? I'm doing well.

School has been going well for me this year. I have been able to be on the honor roll for the past two quarters. I believe the Lord has been helping me study and remember all the things I have needed to know for all of my tests and quizzes that I have had to take.

Baseball has also just started. I'm really excited about the team. I believe we are going to make it to state this year. We have a great team, and our coach is the bomb!

I know that it is probably strange to receive a letter from me, but I wanted to tell you about an exciting thing that I may be able to do this summer.

This July, I will have the opportunity to attend Catalyst Camps at Cedar Lake Ministries for their 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> grade camp. I hear that it will be awesome. I will be able to go swimming, tubing on the back of a boat, hiking, climbing wall, crafts and a bunch of other things. But, the biggest thing that I will get to do is learn about Jesus.

Cedar Lake has all kinds of cool sessions that talk about God and how I can learn about and grow in Him. I also will have incredible counselors who will be able to teach me more about Jesus.

Unfortunately, camp costs money. I have been in the process of saving money this year. The total amount of camp this year is \$\_\_\_\_\_. I have been able to save \$\_\_\_\_\_, but I need to raise a little bit more. Would you be willing to contribute to my camp fund? I would be willing to do any job as well to raise money for camp; wash your car, mow grass, clean the pool, etc. I would be so thankful for the opportunity to earn my way to camp. I need to raise this money by (date) in order for me to attend camp. If you would like to give to my camp fund, you can send a check to mom. Our address is:

Ida Bear  
123 Sleep Ln  
Hibernation, MN 55555  
Attn: Ted E. Bear's Camp Fund

One other thing, because I know that I will be learning about Jesus, would you pray for me? Please pray for me at camp. I'm excited about meeting new friends but nervous too.

Thanks!

Ted E. Bear