



Summer Camps 2025

Advanced Request Scholarship Application

St. Mary's County Recreation & Parks is pleased to provide an opportunity for participants to apply for assistance to attend summer camps from June-August 2025. Scholarships are made available through the generous contributions of several local civic organizations, citizen donations, local businesses and the net proceeds from the annual Easter Egg Festival and the annual Scholarship Fund Golf Tournament. This scholarship is offered to provide qualified children the opportunity to participate in summer camps at a discounted rate. Participants are allowed only one scholarship per calendar year.

Who Qualifies?

1. Current St. Mary's County residents who are students between the ages of 5-21 who also,
2. Receive Free or Reduced lunch from St. Mary's County Public Schools, (or SMCPs IEP report for TR Camp) and
3. Those students who do not receive Purchase of Care for summer programs. **If you receive assistance for summer camp programs through the DSS other County or State funding, you do not qualify to apply for this scholarship.*

What Do I Need to Apply?

1. Submit a completed **Advanced Request Scholarship Application** starting **February 18, 2025**.
2. Proof of eligibility (Free/Reduced Lunch approval letter from SMCPs or SMCPs IEP report for TR Camp) and attach to this application. Request link for lunch letter: <https://survey.smcps.org/index.php/23494?lang=en>
3. Indicate which weeks you are requesting assistance. Awards are based on funding availability.
4. **NOTE: Applying does not automatically register your child for camp. It only indicates approval for funding.**
5. Any incomplete applications will not be considered for funding.
6. You may register for camp, pay the \$25 deposit per week and once your application is approved, the adjusted balance due will be made to your account.

How Will Support Be Awarded?

1. All applications will be reviewed and awarded based on total request for funding. If funding exists to cover each request, all requests will be awarded and you will receive notification. If the demand is greater than the funds available, partial requests will be awarded (for example you may be awarded 50% support for 4 of the 6 weeks you've requested). It is important to indicate your preference for weeks to be supplemented with a scholarship.
2. **You will receive notification to the email address you provide on the application.**

Which Camps Can I Apply the Camps Scholarship To?

- **Summer Fun** —Specialized Day Camps listed in the 2025 Summer Camp *The Scoop*.
**Sports Camps do not qualify for this Scholarship Request Form. Please see main office for other options.*
- **Therapeutic Recreation** — Camps for those with special needs for Camp Discovery.

I Received Notification of Award, Now What?

1. Upon receipt of scholarship support, you will be requested to visit the R&P main office to complete your registration. You will be required to complete the 2025 Summer Camp Registration and Camper Profile forms.
2. Notification of award does not complete your child's registration for camp. You must register and provide complete information on forms and complete payment.
3. *Summer Fun*: The Scholarship does not include the \$25 one-time registration fee required per child, per summer. You will need to pay this amount at the time of registration. You will also be required to pay \$25 deposit per week of camp you wish to register. That will be applied towards your total balance due.
4. If you were only awarded a portion of the weeks requested, you are not obligated to register for more weeks than you wish to afford.

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STEP 1

Child's Full Name:	_____	Date of Birth:	____ / ____ / ____
Street Address:	_____	Grade:	_____
City:	_____	State/Zip:	_____
Parent's Name:	_____		
Cell Phone: ()	_____	Home Phone: ()	_____
Email Address:	_____		

STEP 2

Please indicate why you are seeking scholarship assistance and why this can make a difference in your child's life this summer...

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STEP 3

Indicate weeks of camp to be considered for funding. . .

Summer Fun Camps	Choose Week (s)		Rank of Preference
	Week 1 6/23-6/27	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Week 2 6/30-7/03*	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Week 3 7/07-7/11	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Week 4 7/14-7/18	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Week 5 7/21-7/25	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Week 6 7/28-8/01	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Week 7 8/04-8/08	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Week 8 8/11-8/15	<input type="checkbox"/>	

****If you are requesting more than one week, please rank in priority in the event all weeks are not available for funding****

*No Camp 7/04 TR Camp	Camp Discovery 6/30-7/31	<input type="checkbox"/>	n/a
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OFFICE USE ONLY	
Total Weeks Approved:	_____
Total Funding Granted:	\$ _____
Total Due Now:	\$ _____

I understand that this application is to request assistance for the 2025 Summer Camps Scholarship Fund and is not a guarantee until approved. **SUMMER FUN:** I can request up to 8 weeks of camps, but am not guaranteed all 8 will be funded. Upon funding approval, I understand that I must visit the R&P main office to complete my child's registration into summer camp. At that time I will complete a Recreation & Parks Registration Form, all related summer camp forms, pay the full \$25 registration fee and a \$25 deposit for each week of Summer Fun camp. Total balance for each week of camp will be due 2 weeks prior to the start of each camp week. **CAMP DISCOVERY:** TR Camp is not charged per week, rather per full camp. I will need to pay a \$25 deposit and the total balance due 2 weeks prior to the first day of camp. I agree to adhere to all policies and procedures outlined in the Summer Camp Parent Handbooks. **Upon completion of camp, I understand that a follow up report will be necessary from my child on their experience over the summer. This form will be emailed to me soon after the end of summer. This is a requirement to be considered for any future funding.**

Parent (Guardian) Signature

____/____/____
Date

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Questions? Contact Us...

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