

Summer Camp 2020 Scholarship Information

Dear Camp Families,

I hope everyone is looking forward to our fast-approaching summer camp season! This letter explains how to apply for JCC summer camp scholarship.

The JCC only accepts scholarship applications through an independent grant and aid assessment company, FACTS is an industry leader in providing third party support solutions. FACTS is also administering our Early Childhood scholarship applications, which are separate applications. THE APPLICATION DEADLINE IS JUNE 5, 2020. APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER THAT DATE ARE CONSIDERED IN THE ORDER RECEIVED AND ARE AWARDED ONLY IF FUNDS ARE STILL AVAILABLE.

To expedite your scholarship application as quickly and efficiently as possible, we ask that you complete the confidential online application on the FACTS website, https://online.factsmgt.com/signin.aspx.

- 1. Choose the *JCC OF GREATER COLUMBUS CAMP* as the school. **Do not choose** *The Jewish Community Center of Greater Columbus* as the school, as that site is for Early Childhood scholarship applications. You may search by school name, city, or zip code. Our zip code is 43209.
- 2. Please have your 2019 tax return information available before you begin, including W-2s and 2020 pay stubs.
- 3. Upon submitting your application, you will be required to pay a one-time administrative fee of \$35. If you are also applying for preschool financial aid, this fee is charged only once. If you already have an account with FACTS through another educational institution and have already paid the administrative fee for the school year, the fee is waived. You need only add the JCC of Greater Columbus Camp as an additional school choice in your application.
- 4. Upload the supporting documentation for your application on FACTS' <u>secure</u> website, or fax or mail it to them. Do not send your information to the JCC! All documents received by FACTS are shredded following the materials review process. Families will be notified of any missing information. **The JCC will not begin processing your application until FACTS notifies us that it has received ALL materials.**

Once FACTS has conducted a comprehensive evaluation of applicant materials, they will calculate applicants' financial needs and make recommendations to the JCC. The JCC will have the final determination for scholarship awards. Award letters will be emailed via FACTS to recipients, by the *tentative* date of June 10, 2020. The entire process is strictly confidential. Should family circumstances change or require further consideration, families may contact Louise Young at the JCC to discuss them.

If you have any questions regarding the application or the review process, you may speak with a FACTS customer care representative directly by calling 1-866-441-4637. You may email Louise Young at Lmyoung@columbusjcc.org.

Sincerely,

Mike Klapper, CEO

How to Apply for JCC Summer Camp 2020 Financial Assistance DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS IS APRIL 17, 2020!

Applications received after that date are considered in the order received and only if funds are still available.

Please collect and complete the following steps to apply for financial assistance. All documents must be submitted as described and are held in strict confidentiality by FACTS and the JCC. If you are a current JCC member or participate in JCC programs, all outstanding balances must be paid in full prior to submitting your assistance application.

- Step 1: If you are not currently a JCC member, please visit our Member Services office to apply for membership.
- Step 2: Register for the camp program for which you are requesting financial assistance. The JCC cannot consider your application unless your child is registered.
- Step 3: All financial assistance recipients must arrange to make camp fee payments via EFT (bank account debit) or credit card.
- Step 4: A deposit of \$100 is required for JCC Summer Camp and is due at the time of registration. Checks should be made payable to the JCC of Greater Columbus. Deposits are fully refundable if the financial assistance does not meet your need and you choose not to participate in the program.
- Step 5: Apply for financial assistance at https://online.factsmgt.com/signin.aspx, and choose **The JCC of Greater Columbus Camp** as the school. **Do not choose** The Jewish Community Center of Greater Columbus, as that is for Early Childhood scholarships. You may search for the camp by city or by zip code. Our zip code is 43209.

FACTS Grant & AID Assessment (FACTS) will conduct the financial need analysis for the JCC. Families applying for financial aid will need to complete an application online and submit the necessary supporting documentation to FACTS. FACTS charges a \$35 administrative fee, unless you have already applied through another school since last year. This fee covers your application processing and assessment and does not go to the JCC.

Step 6: Once you have entered the application data, please send the following information to FACTS to complete the application. FACTS will not review applications until it receives all the documents. Do not send the information to the JCC.

- Copy of 2019 federal tax forms for both you and your spouse/co-applicant, including all supporting tax schedules.
- Copies of your 2019 W-2 forms for both you and your spouse/co-applicant.
- Copies of two most recent pay stubs for **2020** (both parents/co-applicants).

All supporting documentation can be uploaded on the FACTS secure website, faxed to 1-866-315-9264, or mailed to the address below. If you have questions or concerns about the application process, you may speak with a FACTS Customer Care Representative at 1-866-441-4637.

FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment P.O. Box 82524 Lincoln, NE 68501-2524

After your application is submitted, FACTS will notify Louise Young at the JCC of the application and where it is in the process. Please refer to the scholarship information letter regarding tentative scholarship notification dates.