



# Wolf Ridge Environmental Learning Center Camp Scholarship & Assistance Application

Please complete the following forms and mail, fax or scan and email them to

Wolf Ridge Environmental Learning Center  
6282 Cranberry Road  
Finland, MN 55603  
218-353-7762  
summercamp@wolf-ridge.org

**Part 1** - Parent/Guardian Forms (please include the past three (3) years of Federal Tax Forms or a certified letter stating you didn't file taxes)

**Part 2** - Camper Form

**Part 3** - Scholarship & Assistance Reference Forms (2 completed reference forms)

Incomplete applications may delay the process. Please send forms early! **Applications must be postmarked by March 15th to be considered!**

## Part 1 - Parent/Guardian Forms (must be completed by the parent or guardian of the camper)

Camper's Name \_\_\_\_\_

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

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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

Has camper attended Wolf Ridge before? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, how many years and when was the campers most recent visit? \_\_\_\_\_

Has camper received scholarship assistance from Wolf Ridge in the last 5 years? \_\_\_\_ yes \_\_\_\_ no

Please list the dates of the program, for which, you would like your child registered for \_\_\_\_\_

For which program are you registering your child? (Check one)

- Discovers (entering grades 4&5)
- Voyageurs(entering grades 6&7)
- Adventurers(entering grades 8&9)
- Junior Naturalists(entering grades 10-12)
- Explorers Wilderness Trips (entering grades 7-12)
- High School Ecology Credit Camps/Academic Programs (entering grades 10 - 12)

List your household's adjusted gross income (from the most recent tax year). \_\_\_\_\_

Check if you have enclosed a copy of your three (3) most recent Federal Tax forms.

List the total number of dependents in your household. \_\_\_\_\_

Please describe the circumstances surrounding your need for financial assistance (i.e., job loss, illness, etc - use another sheet if necessary)

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My child would benefit from a camp scholarship because

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I certify that all the information in this application is true and accurate to my knowledge. I understand that submission of this application does not guarantee a scholarship.

Signature of Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## Part 2 - Camper Form

(must be completed by the camper)

1. Your Name \_\_\_\_\_

2. What past experiences have you had at Wolf Ridge or if you have never attended, why are you choosing Wolf Ridge?

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3. Tell us something you like to do outdoors and why?

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4. What do you expect to do while at Wolf Ridge's Summer Camp Program?

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5. Please write anything else you would like us to know about you.

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# Part 3 - Wolf Ridge Summer Camp Scholarship & Assistance Reference Form

(To be completed by a teacher or other adult mentor- NOT parents or guardians)

\_\_\_\_\_ has applied for financial assistance to attend Wolf Ridge's Summer Camp Program.

The mission of Wolf Ridge and a general overview of the Summer Program are described in an attached sheet. Thank you for taking the time to fill out this form on behalf of this child.

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1. Your Name \_\_\_\_\_
2. Address \_\_\_\_\_
3. Phone number and appropriate times to call \_\_\_\_\_

4. How do you know the camper? \_\_\_\_\_
5. Please evaluate the camper in the following areas.

(1= needs improvement, 3= average, 5= excellent, NA= not applicable)  
Please make additional comments if you give a rating below a three.

						<u>Additional Comments</u>	
Ability to work well with others	1	2	3	4	5	N/A	
Leadership potential	1	2	3	4	5	N/A	
Level of maturity for grade level	1	2	3	4	5	N/A	
Willingness to share feelings	1	2	3	4	5	N/A	
Enthusiasm for new experiences	1	2	3	4	5	N/A	
Concern for others	1	2	3	4	5	N/A	
Success of peer relationships	1	2	3	4	5	N/A	
Acceptance of authority	1	2	3	4	5	N/A	
Interest in outdoors/nature/ecology	1	2	3	4	5	N/A	

6. How would this student benefit from attending Wolf Ridge's Summer Program?  
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7. List any special considerations you feel might affect this camper's application.  
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# Wolf Ridge Environmental Learning Center Summer Camp Program General Overview

Wolf Ridge Environmental Learning Center is located in Finland, Minnesota, about 225 miles north of Minneapolis and St. Paul, and 65 miles northeast of Duluth. With over 2000 acres of highlands overlooking Lake Superior, the campus includes nine buildings atop a ridge covered with maple, birch, fir, and spruce forests. Our study areas include two lakes, a stream, a wetlands, four recreated cultural heritage sites, and several overlooks of Lake Superior and surrounding valleys.

Our mission is to: *Develop a citizenry that has the knowledge, skills, attitudes, motivation and commitment to act together for a quality environment*

The Summer Camp Program at Wolf Ridge allows kids to build communication and cooperative skills through games, overnights, and personal challenges while learning about natural and cultural history. It provides a unique opportunity to its participants in that they will challenge themselves, learn to work together, and gain an understanding of the environment and how we can affect it. Each group has age-specific activities. Some of these activities are available only by participating in the Summer Youth Program and are arranged on a two year rotation so that a camper can come several years in a row without repeating activities except a few of the adventure activities such as Adventure Ropes, Rock Climbing, and the overnights. There are six programs targeting different interests and age groups:

Discoverers (grades 4-5), Voyageurs (grades 6-7), Adventurers (grades 8-9), Junior Naturalists (grades 10-12), Ecology Credit/Academic Program (grades 10 - 12) and Explorer Wilderness Trips (grades 7-12).

For more information please contact Jenny Bushmaker, Summer Camp Program Director at 218-353-7414 or 800-523-2733 in Minnesota, Wisconsin or North Dakota.

