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## Trees Atlanta - Junior TreeKeeper (JTK) Camp School Scholarship: Instructions for APS Nominations

“School Scholarships” are ONLY applicable for schools invited by Trees Atlanta.\*

Camp schedule, description, and other useful information available online: [treesatlanta.org/camps](https://treesatlanta.org/camps)

Scholarship information (including IMPORTANT DEADLINES & APPLICATION) is found under “Camp Resources” > Camp Scholarships.

1. Who should be nominated?
  - a. Student must attend an Atlanta Public School and requires financial assistance.
  - b. Rising to 1<sup>st</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> grade in the Fall (e.g., currently in pre-K through 5<sup>th</sup> grade).
  - c. Passionate about the environment, enjoys active play and learning outdoors.
  - d. Represents behaviors and attitudes that deserves recognition and reward.
  - e. Parent/guardian of each nominee agrees to provide transportation to and from camp on time each day of camp, as well as, read and abide by the terms of **the Jr. TreeKeeper Camp Handbook**, available at [treesatlanta.org/camps](https://treesatlanta.org/camps). Useful documents are found in the Camp Resources section.
2. How can schools submit scholarship nominees?
  - a. To nominate students, you must use the **online nomination form** found on our website: [treesatlanta.org/camps](https://treesatlanta.org/camps) under Camp Resources (or directly type this URL into your browser: <https://treesatlanta.org/learn/camps/resources>).
  - b. Each APS school can decide which student (1) receives the scholarship based on the list above. We ask at least one alternative nomination (and up to 2) be also named as back up should the first nominee forfeit.
  - c. We guarantee **one scholarship per eligible school** if nominated by the deadline provided.
  - d. Additional/alternatives names are only used in case additional scholarships become available and/or if scholarship award is declined.
  - e. Please be clear to all students named (and their parents/guardians) that nominations are NOT assurances of award.
3. What is the deadline to nominate students?
  - a. Deadline for each year (and scholarship type) is updated and posted on [treesatlanta.org/camps](https://treesatlanta.org/camps) under Camp Resources > [Camp Scholarships](#)
  - b. Nominations received after the deadline may NOT be consider and/or awarded.
  - c. Additional scholarships may be awarded after deadlines based on availability, if any.
4. How and when will scholarship recipients be notified?
  - a. Please view website for [IMPORTANT DEADLINES](#) under Camp Resources > Camp Scholarships.
  - b. Trees Atlanta will email parent/guardian of student(s) selected by email. Nominating schools will also be copied with the notification.
  - c. Parent/guardian must confirm receipt of scholarship and complete online registration in a timely way to ensure successful registration. There is a \$25 scholarship processing fee.

5. How should schools identify and select nominees? How will Trees Atlanta select who receives a scholarship?
  - a. We request that financial need – along with student’s demonstrated interest in science, nature, and environmental education – be strongly considered.
  - b. If your school currently participates in Trees Atlanta’s [Urban TreeTracker](#) (UTT) in-school program, please collaborate with the teachers in the enrolled grade to identify the most engaged students. Jr. TreeKeeper (JTK) Camp builds upon our UTT in-school program content, but participation in UTT is not a requirement for scholarship.
  - c. We believe that faculty and staff who work with students on a daily basis know their students’ interests and needs. Therefore, the criteria beyond those specified item 1 above is entirely up to you, with the input of your school leadership and faculty.
  - d. Consider notifying all parents/guardians, PTA, GO Teams, etc. about the scholarship to garner interest. A camp flyer is also available on the Camp Resources website to help explain the scholarship opportunity. Please feel free to share via email, newsletter, social media, etc.
  - e. You may consider using the scholarship as an incentive for students to acquire and demonstrate knowledge of trees and/or importance of our urban forest, etc.
6. What else should schools and parents know?
  - a. Scholarships will be prioritized in the order they are received. Filling out the application does not guarantee a spot for your child.
  - b. Scholarships are need-based and there are limited spaces available. Scholarships are awarded at the sole discretion of Trees Atlanta.
  - c. The value of each scholarship is \$295 (one-week summer camp). The scholarship covers camp registration fee and extends generously discounted rates for optional services, such as before and/or after care services. See the *Schedule of Fees for Scholarship Recipients* below.
  - d. Failure to meet deadlines, requirements, or any barriers which prevent timely review and/or registration will forfeit scholarship and any and all claims to replacement or equivalent value of the award.
  - e. Cancellation or other unforeseen changes in program will absolve any claims.
  - f. Trees Atlanta Junior TreeKeeper Camp is registered with the State of Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning (DECAL).
7. Other questions?
  - a. Email us at [treehouse@treesatlanta.org](mailto:treehouse@treesatlanta.org) or call 404-458-4515 ext. 1 (camp registrar).

*\*Note: Whereas School Scholarships may ONLY be submitted by an eligible school, Trees Atlanta also offers Parent or Guardian Nominated Scholarships open to any eligible student.*

*Scholarship information can be found online:*

[www.treehouse.org/camps](http://www.treehouse.org/camps) > Camp Resources > Camp Scholarships



Schedule of Fees for Scholarship Recipients	
Regular Full Week Registration	\$295 (waived)
Processing Fee for Scholarship Registration	\$25.00
Optional Services	
Before Care – Scholarship Standard Rate	\$8.00/day
Before Care – Scholarship Prepaid Rate*	\$5.00/day
After Care – Scholarship Standard Rate	\$10.00/day
After Care – Scholarship Prepaid Rate*	\$8.00/day
Late Pickup Fee (after enrolled care hours)	\$1.00/minute (due at pickup)
Add On Items	
Bike Rental (Full week)	\$20.00
Jr. TreeKeeper Camp T-Shirt (1 <sup>st</sup> shirt included)	\$12/additional t-shirt
Jr. TreeKeeper Camp Hat	\$10/additional hat
Budding Environmental Steward Patch	\$3/additional patch
Donations	Gifts are tax-deductible

\*The prepaid rate is the price available during online registration and the first day of camp (Monday morning). Standard rate applies after the initial Monday morning.