

Cedar Valley Alumni Scout Campership Award Policy

The purpose of the campership is to support the youth of today in their achievement of the aims of Scouting through attendance at Scout summer camp. We believe that without camping, and summer camping in particular, a Scout cannot reach the fullest potential of a meaningful Scouting experience. Our goal is to use our resources to partially assist as many Boy Scouts as possible in attending summer camp.

We will be limited by the funds raised / donated each year at our Homecoming gathering.

Eligibility

Any Boy Scout is eligible to receive a campership based on financial need. Preference will be given to (1) Scouts within Quapaw Area Council for attendance at the council summer camp and (2) Scouts living within the home council of any active member of the Cedar Valley Alumni Association (as defined as having attended a Cedar Valley Homecoming in the preceeding two years.)

Under special circumstances, provided it does not preclude another Scout from attending summer camp, requests will be *considered* for those Boy Scouts seeking camperships to attend a National or World Jamboree, or Boy Scout sanctioned high adventure program.

Amount of Awards

The Homecoming planning committee will oversee the fund and review requests for support, up to \$100.00 per Scout per calendar year. We strongly believe a Scout should be vested in their Scouting experience. Therefore, we do not wish to provide any single campership greater than 50% of the total financial need. This will afford the Scout the opportunity to earn part of their own way to camp, which we believe will give them a greater appreciation for that opportunity. A maximum of two camperships may be awarded in a calendar year to Scouts from the same unit.

Applications

The Cedar Valley Alumni treasurer will serve as the point of contact for all requests and written responses when decisions have been reached. The Scout's unit leader (Scoutmaster or Committee Chair) must complete a "Cedar Valley Campership Request Form". The request must specify the amount requested up to \$100.00; the total cost of the camp; what efforts the unit and Scout have undertaken to raise the money needed; why the Scout needs financial help; the length of time that the Scout has been an active Scout and their present Scout Rank.

Submission Deadline

Requests will be acted upon as quickly as possible upon receipt. Requests must be submitted between January 15th and May 1st for that calendar year. Requests not signed by the unit leader or that do not provide complete information will not be considered. Once approved, the treasurer will write a check to the council where the Scout will attend

camp. The check will be mailed to the designated unit leader. The money may only be used for that specific Scout and approved camp. If for any reason the Scout cannot attend camp as planned, the funds are to be returned to the Cedar Valley Alumni Campership fund for redistribution to another worthy Scout.

Request Form

The Cedar Valley Alumni Request Form will be posted to the group website at www.eaac.org by January 1st of each year.