



WWDSS Camp Bursary for 2024

The Waterloo Wellington Down Syndrome Society offers a camp bursary to assist with extra costs that can be associated with inclusion support for year-round camps for our children/youth with Down syndrome, and hopes to open doors to some camp experiences that otherwise would not be possible.

Purpose of the Camp Bursary:

The camp bursary is to assist families with extra costs involved over and above regular camp fees, for children/youth (ages 4-21) with Down syndrome to attend and participate in any camps (Summer, March break, etc.). The registration fee for camps designed for individuals with special needs tend to cost more due to added staff supports. For regular camps, the extra cost may be an additional fee charged by the camp for a camp provided support worker, or may be the cost involved with hiring your own support worker to attend the camp with your child.

Rules for the Camp Bursary:

- All children/youth with Down syndrome aged 4-21 can apply
- Full-time, part-time and virtual camps qualify
- Registration fees for regular camps are not covered by bursary funding
- Registration fees for camps that are specifically designed for individuals with special needs that include support will be covered at 50%.
- Bursary funds can cover 100% of the costs for support workers (over 18 yrs old) that you hire to attend and support your child/youth/adult to participate in regular camps.
- Bursary funds can cover 100% of the extra costs charged for support workers/inclusion workers when your child/youth attends a typical/regular camp that supplies support workers
- By accepting a camp bursary, families agree to complete 10 hours of volunteer work for WWDSS during the current calendar year. These hours are separate from/in addition to volunteer hours requirements for other bursary programs.

Approved applicants will need to provide the following for reimbursement:

**Required by each approved applicant:
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- Camp Supplied Support: A copy of the invoice/receipt of payment for the extra fee of the support worker/inclusion facilitator provided by the camp.
- Private support: A copy of the invoice from the support person. The invoice needs to include the name, address, dates and description of services provided plus a signature of the support worker. You must also include the completed WWDSS Bursary claim form completed by the family.

NOTES:

- A privately provided support person needs to be 18 years old or older
- The family will need to pay the support person or camp fees directly as WWDSS will reimburse the family only.
- WWDSS will not pay a support person dir



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Down Syndrome Society**

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Application Form

NEW! An electronic version of this application form can be filled out and submitted online.
Visit: www.wwdss.ca/programs/camp-bursary

Please complete this form and submit to WWDSS by **February 20, 2024**. You will receive a confirmation email that we received your application and a second email by March 14, 2024 confirming your bursary allotment.

Email: info@wwdss.ca with Subject Line "**CAMP Bursary 2024 Application**"

Member Family Name: _____

Child's Name: _____

Will you apply for a City Inclusion Facilitator * **YES NO** (circle one)

If yes, how many weeks of City Support will you request? _____

I have read the bursary information and understand the bursary requirements for reimbursements

- I agree that I am responsible for finding, hiring and paying my own inclusion facilitator
- I agree that I am responsible for requesting/arranging and paying for support with camps that provide such support themselves
- Our volunteer hours are up to date

Signature: _____

Date: _____

* If your City support changes from what you submitted for please email info@wwdss.ca and we will determine if an adjustment can be made.