

# Youth Scholarship Application

The Youth Scholarship Fund provides funds, based on availability, to students whose families are members of Congregation Etz Chaim to participate in:

- a. International USY Summer Programs and Nativ
- b. Camp Ramah Darom (6<sup>th</sup> grade and above)

**The deadline to submit your scholarship request form is *Friday, April 6.***

## ***Funds Disbursement***

Camp Ramah Darom and USY Summer Programs disbursements will be made directly to the Institution.

## **Criteria for Scholarship Eligibility**

- a. All youth scholarship recipients must be a member of one of Etz Chaim's Youth Groups (USY or Kadima) and current in all obligations;
- b. Students will be considered for scholarship based on: level of participation in the life of the congregation, including attendance at religious services, participation in volunteer and paid opportunities within our congregation that support synagogue youth programs and education, and leadership roles they play in Jewish youth groups or Jewish communal programs;
- c. Scholarships are available for Camp Ramah beginning with sixth graders.
- d. Your family must be considered "members in good standing" - synagogue dues are up to date.

## **Scholarship Application**

**The application and essay must be filled out by the applicant.**

### ***Part I. Personal Information***

Name of applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Program(s) attending: \_\_\_\_\_

### ***Part II. Youth Group Involvement***

Are you a member of: USY \_\_\_\_\_ Kadima \_\_\_\_\_ How long have you been a member? \_\_\_\_\_

Please list all USY/Kadima activities and programs in which you have participated this year (include Chapter, Sub-Regional, Regional and International where applicable):

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List any USY or Kadima programs or events that you have created, organized or coordinated this year:

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Do you currently hold a Board position (USY)? If so, please list:

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Board positions held in the past:

\_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

**Part III. Religious Involvement**

How often do you attend Shabbat services? \_\_\_\_\_ Do you participate in daily Minyan? \_\_\_\_\_  
In the last year, if old enough, have you read Torah at services? \_\_\_\_\_  
Do you presently work at the Religious School? If so, what are your responsibilities?  
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**Part IV. Education**

Please indicate whether you are presently attending Hebrew School or Etz Chaim's High School Program.  
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How many years have you attended either program in the past? \_\_\_\_\_  
Are you a graduate of either program? \_\_\_\_\_

**Part V. School and Community Service**

Please list extracurricular activities including, clubs, hobbies, athletic teams, music programs, etc. in which you participate:  
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\_\_\_\_\_  
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Are you involved in community service activities? If so, please list:  
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**\*\* Please type and attach a 250-word essay. Please discuss: a) your activities and involvement in synagogue life, b) what those activities mean to you, and c) what you want to get out of the program you are applying to.**

Please be aware that a member of the Youth Scholarship Committee may contact you. All information is strictly confidential. You will be notified of the award.

Return this completed form to: Youth Department  
Congregation Etz Chaim  
1190 Indian Hills Parkway  
Marietta, GA 30068

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact Steven Resnick, Youth Director, at [stevenrobert@etzchaim.net](mailto:stevenrobert@etzchaim.net) or 770-973-0137.

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Applicant's Signature

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Parent/Guardian Signature