



# FAQ's

## What do I need to send in to request tuition assistance?

- ✓ Tuition Assistance Application Form
- ✓ Verification of Income and/or public assistance (Verification of source of income will be returned to you, at your request, if you provide a stamped self addressed envelope.)
- ✓ Tuition assistance recommendation **signed** by orchestra teacher
- ✓ Camp registration, check to verify it has been received
- ✓ Incomplete applications will not be considered

## How much can I receive in tuition assistance?

Although you can receive up to the full tuition amount, most scholarships are partial. See 'tips' section below.

## What if I miss the deadline?

You should contact us and we can advise. Late applications may be considered only if funds are still available.

## What if I can't get it mailed before the deadline?

If it is too close to the deadline for mailing, please call and we may be able to provide an alternate drop off point for you.

## What is expected of tuition assistance recipients?

All tuition assistance recipients need to provide a thank you letter at the completion of camp that can be forwarded to the individuals, businesses and organizations that fund the program. Failure to provide a thank you letter at the end of camp will exclude recipients from any future tuition assistance/financial aid and/or scholarship consideration.

## How is my private information handled?

**PRIVACY DISCLOSURE:** Only the tuition assistance approval committee has any access to tuition assistance applications and financial information. This information is not released to anyone and no designations are made at camp for campers on tuition assistance.

## How can I help or volunteer at camp?

For information on volunteer opportunities, please visit our website: [www.alaskastringcamps.org](http://www.alaskastringcamps.org) or call 696-CAMP.

**EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES:** If you have unusual or other circumstances that you feel should be considered when your application is reviewed, please write this on a separate sheet of paper and attach to this application. Some examples are: a large family on a limited income, loss of job, health problems, or disability.

### TIPS TO HELP YOU RECEIVE TUITION ASSISTANCE OR OTHER FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE:

1. Clearly and legibly fill out the application. Email your questions to [info@alaskastringcamps.org](mailto:info@alaskastringcamps.org) for quickest response.
2. Make sure the tuition assistance recommendation form is **signed** by your orchestra teacher.
3. Include ALL requested financial information and verifications. Call if you are unsure what is needed.
4. Request only what you actually NEED. Often funds are limited and the tuition assistance committee can help more students if they can stretch the money. For example, everyone has to eat. Deduct from your request the amount you would normally spend on food for your student. Assess your finances. Could you still send your child to camp if you received 50% or 25% of the camp fee? Summer/Seasonal workers, would extending the payment deadline allow you to pay more? Do you have a relative who would be willing to pay a portion of the fee to supplement tuition assistance?

## Volunteer Opportunities

Alaska String Camps, Inc. is a non-profit organization that depends on many volunteers to keep the camp affordable. We ask that, whenever possible, tuition assistance recipient families volunteer at camp to help keep our costs affordable for all campers. We need both men and women volunteers for a few hours a day and for overnight camp chaperones. If you have an adult friend or relative who may be interested in volunteering (some people use this as a mini-vacation) you can volunteer together.

If you would like more information on volunteering, please feel free to call 696-CAMP or indicate below and we will contact you.

- I would like more information on volunteer opportunities at camp.
- I am able to volunteer at camp, please call me to let me choose what works best for me.
- I may be able to volunteer at camp, keep me informed of volunteer opportunities.
- My circumstances do not permit me to volunteer at this time.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # (s): \_\_\_\_\_ Best time to call: Day \_\_\_\_\_ Eve \_\_\_\_\_  
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