



Camp Oasis Attendance Fee, Scholarship, & Travel Stipend FAQ



Q: How much is the attendance fee?

The fee to attend camp is \$400, but there are attendance scholarships and travel stipends available for those who qualify to help offset the cost.

Q: How can I pay the attendance fee?

You can pay the attendance fee with a credit/debit card or submit a check to the National Camp Office made payable to the Crohn's & Colitis Foundation.

Q: Can I pay in installments?

Yes, you can pay in installments. You do not have to submit your entire payment at once.

Q: When is the attendance fee due?

The attendance fee must be paid before your child arrives at camp. You can pay the fee at any time during the application process.

Q: Does paying the attendance fee secure my child's spot at camp?

Although it is necessary for attendance, paying the attendance fee does **NOT** reserve a spot or guarantee acceptance. A complete application must be submitted for your child to be considered for camp! All applications are subject to medical review and approval prior to acceptance.

Q: What happens to my payment if my child is not accepted and does not attend camp?

If your child is not medically cleared to attend camp, the payment will be fully refunded. Refunds will be processed on a rolling basis and received via the same method the attendance fee was originally paid.

Q: What happens to my payment if my child is unable to attend camp after being accepted?

If your child needs to withdraw from camp after being accepted, the payment will be fully refunded. Refunds will be processed on a rolling basis and received via the same method the attendance fee was originally paid. Make sure to notify the Foundation as soon as possible if your child is unable to attend camp so that another child can take their place.

Q: What happens to my payment if my child is sent home during the camp session?

If your child is sent home for medical or behavioral reasons once they have arrived at camp, the payment will not be refunded.

Q: Can my Take Steps or Team Challenge fundraising cover my camp attendance fee?

Although we greatly value all fundraising efforts made by our families, donations received through Foundation fundraising programs cannot be transferred or used to cover fees for other programs. That money is used to fund much needed research and our mission critical programs.

Q: What if I have multiple children applying to camp?

If you have multiple children applying to camp, we encourage you to consider our flexible payment schedule or attendance scholarship options as needed. The attendance fee is per camper/Leader in Training (LIT).

Q: What if I can't afford the attendance fee and/or the travel expenses getting to/from camp?

The Crohn's & Colitis Foundation has created a National Camp Attendance Scholarship & Travel Stipend Program so that no child will be turned away from camp for financial reasons. To date, all attendance scholarship requests have been approved!

Q: How do I apply for an attendance scholarship and/or a travel stipend?

To apply for an attendance scholarship or travel stipend, simply complete the Attendance Scholarship / Travel Stipend Request form included in the online application process.

Q: What kinds of attendance scholarships and travel stipends are available? *

When applying for an attendance scholarship, you can apply for either a half attendance scholarship and reduce the attendance fee to \$200 or a full attendance scholarship and reduce the attendance fee to \$0.

When applying for a travel stipend, for families driving more than 100 miles one way to camp, and where accessible group travel is not being offered to/from camp – you can request a \$75 ground travel stipend that will be provided via a mailed Visa gift card.

Air travel stipends are available to families that will need to fly to their assigned regional camp – typically the camp located closest to your home. The stipend will cover the full cost of camper travel including baggage fees. If chaperoned group air travel is not an option for your camper, the stipend may also cover the cost of a parent or guardian flying with the camper to their regional site only.

The number of attendance scholarships and travel stipends is limited so please apply according to your true need.

*Additional information regarding travel stipends will be provided once you have enrolled your child into the camp program and completed the application process. Families are encouraged to contact a Camp Oasis Leadership Team member if extenuating circumstances apply such as not being able to apply to your assigned regional camp.

Q: What is the attendance scholarship / travel stipend program criteria based on?

The attendance scholarship / travel stipend program criteria is based on economic need or hardship. Applicants are asked to provide their annual household income, the number of individuals living in their household, and a brief explanation of their financial situation.

Q: Will I need to provide any documentation proving my household income?

No, no legal documentation will need to be provided when applying for an attendance scholarship and/or travel stipend.

Q: What if our family doesn't meet the income criteria but is experiencing a financial hardship?

Families experiencing a financial hardship should still complete the Attendance Scholarship / Travel Stipend Request form regardless of their household income.

If you have additional questions, contact the Associate Director of Camp & Community Engagement, Daniel Marinoni, at (646) 771 - 0455 / camp@crohnscolitisfoundation.org