



Kid-to-Camp Program Funding Policy

Purpose:

The Special Education Foundation (SEF) is committed to providing financial assistance through the Kid-to-Camp Program, enabling students with disabilities to attend specialized camps that bridge the educational gap during academic breaks. It aims to help students enhance their skills, independence, and social experiences while out of the classroom. This policy establishes funding caps per applicant within designated timeframes to ensure equitable distribution of resources and long-term sustainability of the program.

Application Limit: Each child will be considered for tuition assistance for **one camp session per calendar year** during the Special School District's academic breaks below. Families may apply for assistance for **one** of the following camp sessions per year at a maximum request of **\$1,000 for one child** and **\$1500 for 2+ children**:

- Winter Break (per Special School District's calendar break)
- Spring Break (per Special School District's calendar break)
- Summer Break (June-August)

Duplicate applications for multiple sessions within the same calendar year will not be considered. This ensures the policy remains adaptable while emphasizing fairness and sustainability.

Application Process & Considerations:

- Applicants must submit a completed application along with the required documentation, including proof of acceptance to the camp and requested cost for assistance.
- Funding is awarded based on financial need, student benefit, and alignment with SEF's mission within the allocated funding available.
- Priority may be given to first-time applicants and those with demonstrated financial need.
- Approval of funding does not guarantee future assistance from year to year.

Program Review & Adjustments:

- Tuition assistance is awarded based on financial need and available funding. The program aims to serve as many families as possible while prioritizing those with the greatest financial hardship.
- Families may reapply for assistance in subsequent years but must adhere to the one-application-per-year policy.