



CHICAGO BOTANIC GARDEN

Chicago Botanic Garden Nature Preschool & Camp CBG

CONFIDENTIAL FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION

All information is required unless otherwise noted.

Please send completed form and documentation to:

Youth Education Financial Aid, Chicago Botanic Garden, 1000 Lake Cook Road, Glencoe IL, 60202.

The Chicago Botanic Garden provides financial aid for low-income families in need who wish to enroll in Nature Preschool or Camp CBG (summer).

Applicants must provide a copy of their school district's fee waiver documentation (which references free or reduced lunch program). The form must include the child's name and the school's name, and have the applicable box checked. Only applicants who receive free or reduced lunch qualify for financial assistance. Applicants who do not receive free/reduced lunch may prove eligibility by providing income verification (as listed on the application). The forms will be kept by the Chicago Botanic Garden for verification purposes.

If approved, financial aid will cover Nature Preschool tuition for two years. Summer camp fees will be covered (including snacks and meals) for one full-day week of camp.

There is no fee to apply for financial aid. Applicants must submit a \$5 per child program processing fee once assistance is granted.

Parents/Guardians must submit copies of the required documents with each application.

Eligibility for financial aid does not guarantee a spot in Nature Preschool or Camp CBG.

Part 1 APPLICANT INFORMATION

Child's Name

Date

Child's Birth Date

Parent/Guardian Name

Address

Cell Phone

Home Phone

Email

Please indicate the program for which you are requesting financial assistance: Nature Preschool Camp CBG

Does your family qualify for free or reduced lunch? Yes No Not sure

If Yes, please provide the following information:

School District

Applicant must provide a copy of the school district's fee waiver documentation (which references the free or reduced lunch program). Your school can provide the document. If No or Not sure, please complete Parts 2 & 3.

Part 2 INCOME AND FINANCIAL RESOURCES

Applicants who do not prove free/reduced lunch eligibility may provide income verification from the list below:

- 1. Recent pay stub for last 30 days
- 2. AFDC/TANF case #
- 3. A copy of last year's IRS 1040 form

All information/documentation submitted is confidential.

Part 3 HOUSEHOLD INFORMATION

Please list family members who live within the same household.

Name

Relationship to the child on this form Child age, if applicable

Name

Relationship to the child on this form Child age, if applicable

Name

Relationship to the child on this form Child age, if applicable

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Relationship to the child on this form Child age, if applicable

Part 4 RACIAL/ETHNIC BACKGROUND (optional)

- Hispanic or Latino
- Caucasian (two or more races)
- American Indian or Alaskan
- African American or Black
- Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
- Asian
- Two or more races

PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

Who will be responsible for submitting your child's \$5 program processing fee and required forms?

Name

Relationship to the child:

Part 5 PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY YOU ARE REQUESTING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

You may attach any paperwork that helps support your request. The Committee will review your request and notify you with a decision on your financial aid.

Parents are required to advise Nature Preschool or Camp CBG of any changes in financial status. Assistance is awarded for two years of Nature Preschool. Camp CBG financial assistance is granted on an annual basis.

Signature

Date

To be completed by office

Date Received

Approved/Denied

Date Reviewed

Confirmed with Family



For questions about **preschool financial aid**, contact Ann Halley at ahalley@chicagobotanic.org.

For questions about **camp financial aid**, contact Amy Wells at awells@chicagobotanic.org.