

SLIDING SCALE FEE APPLICATION

Welcome to Purpose Learning Lab STEAM Infused Enrichment & Wellness Studio!!!

Purpose Learning Lab, Inc is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization committed to impacting the hearts of youth, children, and families. Every day, we strive to offer quality, affordable programs and services designed to benefit people of all incomes and backgrounds. Eligibility for Purpose Learning Lab's Sliding Scale Program is determined based upon available funding, annual income, and household size. If you are offered a scholarship spot, you will be asked to pay the family contribution amount. In most cases a discounted fee may also be charged per visit/week/month to all eligible children according to our income guidelines and funding availability. This form must be completed for both summer/ after-school months or if your financial situation changes. Please send your completed application with supporting financial documents to purposelearninglabscholarships@gmail.com. If awarded, all participants must sign the scholarship award letter within 72 hours.

INFORMATION					
Parent Name:		Date:	_ Date:		
Preferred Name:					
Date of Birth:		Social Security #:	_Social Security #:		
Address:					
		Zip Code:			
Home Phone:	Cell Phone:	Work Phone:			
Email:					
Preferred Method of	Contact:				
Marital Status: Single:	○ Married ○ Separated	○ Divorced ○ Widowed			

Household Size

Name	Date of Birth

2023-2024 Scholarship Qualifications:

Supporting Documents:

- A copy of your most recent tax return (1040 or 1040EZ) for everyone living in the household, or verification of non-filing (phone number for IRS is 1-800-908-9946)
- The last 2 paycheck stubs of everyone in the household who is working
- Proof of Social Security or Social Security Disability Income, if applicable
- Proof of any other sources of income, if applicable (e.g. Unemployment Compensation, Food Stamps, etc.)
- A copy of your school schedule if applying for childcare and you are a non-working student

Note: If you do not have a copy of your tax return, you may obtain one by calling the Internal Revenue Service at 1-800-829-0922. If you did not file taxes last year, or if you don't have other documentation required, please submit a letter explaining your personal financial situation.

Note: If required documentation is not complete, the process will be delayed.

FAQ Questions:

How much assistance will be provided?

The level of assistance depends on the extent of need and the cost of programs. No one is turned away from PLL because of an inability to pay. However, it is unusual that 100% of the fee is provided since recipients develop a stronger sense of ownership when contributing partially to their involvement.

How long will the assistance last?

Assistance is provided for a specific time period and will be reviewed for eligibility every year for Summer Camp and After School. If help is still needed when assistance is reviewed, you will be asked to re-apply. If your circumstances change before the time period is up, please let us know so we may serve others.

Why do we require financial information?

With information on income and family size, we can award assistance in a fair and consistent manner. We use these procedures to ensure that everyone receives equal consideration.

Will my child be able to attend for free?

We do not provide camp/after-school free of charge. For 2023-2024;the maximum Financial Assistance is 80% of the program rate. Please only apply if you are able to cover this expense. Please note that not all applicants receive the maximum amount of assistance.

Does funding ever run out?

Yes, at times funding does run out and is issued on a first come first serve basis. Where do you get the money to support?

Our scholarship funding is possible through the generosity of donors to our "Send a Kid to Camp Campaign" or current projects. All money raised through campaigns goes directly to provide assistance through our scholarship program. We also receive funding from organizations to support our mission.

Sliding Scale: Based on funding availability, we use a sliding fee scale based on total household income and the number of household members. We also consider special circumstances when providing assistance, so please include any and all information you feel is

applicable to your current situation. Recipients are expected to be responsible for a percentage of their program and membership fees. Qualification for financial assistance is reviewed every year. To apply for financial assistance, please complete our application and scan to purposelearninglabscholarships@gmail.com Thank You, Purpose Learning Lab Scholarship Committee

Are you and/or your immediate family members experiencing hardship?

Please circle if your child (ren) attends one of the schools listed below? Spring Valley, Bethesda Elementary, W.G. Pearson Elementary, R.N. Harris, Fayetteville Street, Githens Middle School, Shepard Middle School, Carter Community, Maureen Joy, Voyager Academy Parkwood or Excelsior Classical Academy.

Please circle if your child (ren) attends one of our partner schools?

C.C. Spaulding, Hope Valley, East way Elementary,

If your child does not attend one of the schools above, have you heard about GoKart Kids? Yes or No

If no, please contact them as they are an excellent resource for parents who need transportation to our program. <u>hello@gokartkids.com (877) 860-4010</u>

Please Circle Referring Agency:

- □ Families Moving Forward
- □ The Empress Haven, PLLC
- □ POOF
- Graced, Inc
- Durham Public Schools (Please List School: _____)
- Durham Partnership with Children
- Other (Please List: _____)



ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME

SOURCE	SELF	SPOUSE	OTHER	TOTAL
Gross, wages, salary, tips, etc.	\$	\$	\$	\$
Income from business, self employment, and dependents	\$	\$	\$	\$
Unemployment compensation, workers' compensation, social security, SSI, SSDI, public assistance, veterans' payments, survivors benefits, pension or retirement income	\$	\$	\$	\$
Interest, investments, dividends, rents, royalties, income from estates, trusts, educational assistance, alimony, child support, assistance from outside the household, and other taxable income	\$	\$	\$	\$



INCOME ELIGIBILITY CHART 2022 Annual Income Thresholds by Sliding Fee Discount Pay Class and % Poverty

Poverty Level	At or Below 100%	125%	150%	175%	200%	Above 200%
<mark>Family</mark> Size	Ful <mark>l</mark> Dis <mark>count</mark>	20% pay	<mark>40% pay</mark>	<mark>60% pay</mark>	<mark>80% pay</mark>	<mark>100%</mark> pay
1	0- \$12,880	\$12,881\$16,100	\$16,101\$19,320	\$19,321\$22,540	\$22,541\$25,760	\$25,761+
2	0- \$17,421	\$17,421\$21,775	\$21,776\$26,130	\$26,131\$30,485	\$30,486\$34,480	\$34,841+
3	0- \$21,960	\$21,961\$27,450	\$27,451\$32,940	\$32,941\$38,430	\$38,431\$43,920	\$43,921+
4	0- \$26,500	\$26,501\$33,125	\$33,126\$39,750	\$39,751\$46,375	\$46,376\$53,000	\$53,001+
5	0- \$31,040	\$31,041\$38,800	\$38,801\$46,560	\$46,561\$54,320	\$54,321\$62,080	\$62,081+
6	0- \$35,580	\$35,581\$44,475	\$44,476\$53,370	\$53,371\$62,265	\$62,266\$71,160	\$71.161+
7	0- \$40,120	\$40,121\$50,150	\$50,151\$60,180	\$60,181\$70,210	\$70,211\$80,240	\$80,241+
8	0- \$44,660	\$44,661\$55,825	\$55,826\$66,990	\$66,991\$78,155	\$78,156\$89,320	\$89,321+
9	0- \$49,200	\$49,201\$61,500	\$61,501\$73,800	\$73,801\$86,100	\$86,101\$98,400	\$98,401
10	0- \$53,740	\$53,741\$67,175	\$67,176\$80,610	\$80,611\$94,045	\$94,046- \$107,480	\$107,481



I CERTIFY THAT THE HOUSEHOLD SIZE AND INCOME INFORMATION SHOWN ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE. I UNDERSTAND THAT IF ANY OF THE INFORMATION I HAVE SUBMITTED IS DETERMINED TO BE FALSE, I MAY NO LONGER BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE SLIDING FEE DISCOUNT. SHOULD THIS OCCUR, I MAY BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY OUT-OF-POCKET EXPENSES.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Note: Noncash benefits (food stamps and housing subsidies) do not count as income. Copies of tax returns, pay stubs, or other information verifying income may be required before assistance is approved.

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Approved Sliding Fee Discount: VERIFICATION CHECKLIST:

	PROOF OF IDENTIFICATION
	PROOF OF ADDRESS
	PROOF OF SSN
	COMPLETED TAX RETURN
	PROOF OF INCOME (Includes child support, unemployment, food stamps, etc)
	PROOF OF HARDSHIP (How Long will applicant receive scholarship:)
	Full Discount
	20% charge
	40% charge
	60% charge
	80% charge
	100% charge
	Current Campaign ()
	Donor ()
	Patient is ineligible (Not Submitted on Time/ Missing supporting documents/ does not meet
	income criteria/ other:)
Scholars	ship Committee Comments:

Approved By: _____ Date: _____