2020 Space Camp Scholarship

About our Space Camp Scholarship

Have you dreamed of attending Space Camp® in Huntsville, Alabama, where you would be trained on how to live and work in space? This might be your opportunity to command, navigate, and contribute to a space mission simulation. Space Camp could inspire and motivate you to join the ranks of space pioneers who persevere to push the boundaries of human exploration.

Geek Partnership Society is offering a scholarship that will cover the cost of one session, plus airfare, for one student. If you are not selected, you may reapply each year that you qualify.

https://geekpartnership.org/programs/spacecamp/
NEW FOR 2020! We will be offering a scholarship for an educator to attend Space Camp®!

Trainees in Space Academy for Educators earn up to 45 hours of Continuing Education credit and educators get access to their own website with lesson plans, standards and tips needed to adapt many of the workshop activities to individual class environments. Space Academy for Educators is offered May through August. Housing, program materials and meals are included in the tuition.

Currently scheduled Educator sessions for 2020

- Expedition 35 – week of May 28, 2020
- Expedition 37 – week of June 11, 2020
- Expedition 38 – week of June 18, 2020
- Expedition 42 – week of July 16, 2020

Youth Application requirements

- Submissions will be accepted between October 20, 2019 through 11:59 pm January 20, 2020.
- Complete the 2020 Student Space Camp Application.
- Answer an essay question: “What are the most important challenges when planning a long distance space flight and how would you solve them?”
- Essay must be between 500 to 900 words
- A written letter of recommendation from a mentor is required. You can send a copy and keep the original letter of recommendation for future use. We only need a copy.
- You must also meet the qualifications below.

Qualifications

- Be age 10-14 (at the time they attend)
- Live in the 5 state area (MN, IA, WI, SD, ND)
- Be able to demonstrate an interest in and understanding of space exploration
- Have parental consent and fill out the application fully and accurately
- Be able to attend Space Camp during the available time period
- Be able to attend a 5-night program out of state without a parent
- If you win the scholarship, you must fill out additional forms from Space Camp and agree to follow its rules and regulations.
- Be able and willing to represent Geek Partnership Society while attending Space Camp.
- Be able to attend the 2020 CONvergence convention in Minneapolis for the announcement on stage during Opening Ceremony. The winner and responsible adult will receive complimentary memberships to the convention.

## Educator Application requirements

- **Submissions will be accepted between October 20, 2019 through 11:59 pm January 20, 2020.**
- Complete the [2020 Educator Space Camp Application](https://geekpartnership.org/programs/spacecamp/).
- Educator submission: Provide a plan for how would you lead a group of students through the youth question topic, in an interactive way that engages the students. Assume that you have a 90 minute to 2 hour block of time to fill (with breaks) and the ages of the students are the same age range as for the student scholarship (10-14). You can narrow it down to a smaller age group than that, or indicate sections that would be for certain ages (this section is for 10-11, this alternate section is for 12-14, etc). Your judges are not educators, so write towards a layperson’s understanding of education.
- A **written letter of recommendation** from a colleague or supervisor.
- You must also meet the qualifications below.

## Qualifications

- Live in the 5 state area (MN, IA, WI, SD, ND)
- Be able to demonstrate an interest in and understanding of space exploration
- Be able to attend Space Camp during the available time period
- If you win the scholarship, you must fill out additional forms from Space Camp and agree to follow its rules and regulations.
- Be able and willing to represent Geek Partnership Society while attending Space Camp.
- Optionally, attend the 2020 CONvergence convention in Minneapolis for the announcement on stage during Opening Ceremony and for assorted panels and events. The winner will receive a complimentary membership to the convention if they choose to go.

**How to submit:**

Please submit the 2020 Space Camp Application, recommendation letter and essay/teaching plan with all the required information to spacecamp@geekpartnership.org no later than 11:59 pm January 20, 2020.

The application form, essay, and reference should be in Word (.doc, .docx) or Adobe PDF (.pdf) formats.

If you prefer, you may print and mail the documents to the address below. Keep in mind that mailed documents must be postmarked no later than January 20. No late applications will be accepted.

Geek Partnership Society  
c/o Space Camp Committee  
1121 Jackson St. NE, Ste. 106  
Minneapolis, MN 55413

If you have any questions about the scholarship, the application process, or anything else, please email them to spacecamp@geekpartnership.org.