PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS AND GUIDELINES

WHO CAN APPLY?

• Jewish high school students from Sarasota or Manatee County (you and your parents must have resided in Sarasota or Manatee County for a minimum of one year.)

WHAT’S REQUIRED?

• You must be accepted to a Jewish-based and accredited: academic, experiential or volunteer-based program in the U.S. before applying for a travel scholarship.
• A completed application, submitted by the deadline, and a personal interview
• You must share your travel experience with the community in one of the following ways (other suggestions considered, pending approval from Teen Travel Committee):
  1. Write an article to be published in The Jewish News
  2. Arrange a speaking engagement to share your experience at a local synagogue, youth group event, high school club meeting or other approved event
  3. Create a video or slideshow for website, eblast, etc
  4. Create a social media diary: post a photo and summary on your personal social media page each day of your trip.
• Promote and assist with recruitment efforts for future recipients.
• You and your parents are required to complete 15 hours of volunteer service within one year of your return. A minimum of half of your hours must be completed prior to receiving your scholarship.
• Scholarship recipients and/or parents of recipients will be required meet one-on-one with Federation staff to discuss a financial contribution to the Federation’s unrestricted annual campaign.
  • NOTE: For families with demonstrated financial need, little to no giving is required.

HOW TO APPLY

• Apply, and be accepted into an accredited program. You will need to submit proof of program acceptance on your scholarship application.
• Fill out Federation scholarship application by the deadline on JFEDSRQ.org/US-Teen-Travel.
  • Two letters of recommendation and a current school transcript are required.

The number of travel scholarship awards a student may receive in a calendar year will be based on available funds and the discretion of the Teen Travel Scholarship Committee.

*No student will be denied this opportunity due to lack of financial resources. Such situations will be addressed by the Financial Aid Committee.

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