

# SASAMAT

## OUTDOOR CENTRE



Enriching lives through learning and playing in the outdoors

## Sasamat Outdoor Centre Subsidy Information For Children and Youth Programs Only

Sasamat Outdoor Centre is committed to ensuring that financial circumstances do not prevent families from sending their children to camp. We are assisted by the generosity of donors to our annual Send a Kid to Camp campaign. While it is our wish that no child be turned away due to financial circumstances, campership funds are limited and we want to assist as many families as possible. When requesting camperships, please remember other families in need by contributing as much as possible to your child's camp fees.

### Sasamat Outdoor Centre Mission

Enriching lives through learning and playing in the outdoors.

### Sasamat Outdoor Centre Vision

Thriving communities, connected through outdoor experiences.

#### How to Apply

- 1. Fill out the Campership application. All areas must be complete for the application to be processed.**
- 2. Have a Sponsor complete and sign the application.**
- 3. Complete a camp registration form for EACH child and attach it to the application**
- 4. Mail the application to:**

**Sasamat Outdoor Centre**

**Campership Office**

**3302 Senkler Road**

**Belcarra BC**

**V3H 4S3**

**Or Fax to: 604-939-8522**

**Or email to: [info@sasamat.org](mailto:info@sasamat.org)**

#### Important Information

**Income Assistance Recipients** – Please contact your financial worker first, as they may provide additional assistance. Please indicate on the application the amount you expect to receive.

**Support From Other Agencies** – If other agencies such as a school, camping bureau, or other agency, are contributing a portion of your child's registration fee, we require payment or a letter from the agency confirming their support.

**Sponsor** – The Sponsor is the most important step in processing a Campership application. The Sponsor must be familiar with the applicant's financial situation, as their signature verifies the financial need of the family. A Sponsor can be a professional in social work or family services, a school principal or counselor, or a public health nurse, or other individual agreed upon by Sasamat Outdoor Centre.

# Guidelines for Sasamat Outdoor Centre Camperships

## Who is eligible to receive Financial Assistance?

Children 4 to 17 years of age, whose families are unable to pay the full fee for Sasamat Outdoor Centre Children or Youth Programs, including Summer Camps, Leadership Programs, Spring Break Camp, April Day Camp, and Pro-D Day Camps.

## What is the role of a Sponsor?

The sponsor is a professional person who is able to verify a family's financial circumstance.

## Who can act as a Sponsor?

A Sponsor can be a professional in social work or family services, a school principal or counselor, or a public health nurse. A Sponsor other than those listed above **may be considered** if a written letter from the potential Sponsor, outlining the financial need of the family, is included with the application. Family members or friends are not eligible to be a sponsor.

## For my child to receive a Campership, what is expected of me?

You must submit all required documentation IN FULL and have a sponsor verify your financial circumstance. You must also submit payments, as outlined in the application, on time and IN FULL.

## Is it possible to attend Sasamat Outdoor Centre programs for free?

Due to our limited funding availability and in order to offer financial assistance to as many families as possible, families are required to pay a portion of the registration fee.

## How much can I expect to receive in Campership funding?

Camperships are determined by family need and availability of funds. You will be informed in writing or by e-mail of your Campership amount and outstanding program fees. If you choose to accept the subsidy and register for the program, outstanding fees can be paid in installments, with the final installment **no later than 30 days prior to the program start date**.

## How many Subsidies can I apply for?

Families may apply for one subsidy per child per calendar year.

*\* Please note that Sasamat Outdoor Centre cannot guarantee a Campership, or any specific amount of funding. We are also unable to provide Camperships for multiple camp sessions for the same child.*

Applications will be reviewed on a first come-first served basis. **We will not review your application until all documentation is received.**

### **Note - After acceptance of a Campership, and registration into a program:**

**An administration fee of \$30.00 per child will be applied to cancellations made thirty (30) days or more prior to the start of a camp session.**

**FULL PROGRAM FEES will apply to cancellations made within fourteen (30) days of the start of a camp session, unless the spot can be filled by another camper.**

## How can I contribute to the Send a Kid to Camp Campaign?

Donations to the Send a Kid to Camp campaign can be made online, phoning our office or by sending a cheque payable to Sasamat Outdoor Centre and specifying Send a Kid to Camp.

Send a Kid to Camp funds are used for the purpose of assisting families to send a child to a camp program. Thank you for helping us to assist as many families as possible by contributing as much as possible to your child's camp fees.

For further information, please contact our office.

# Sasamat Outdoor Centre Child and Youth Campership Application Form

Please note that Campership applications for Sasamat Outdoor Centre **Family Camp Programs** must use the **Family Campership Application Form**, available for download under the Financial Assistance section on our website, or from our office.

## Parent/Guardian Information (Please Print)

Date: Day \_\_\_\_\_ Month \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

### **Please list the names of children attending camp.**

**Child 1:** First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Program and Preferred camp session: \_\_\_\_\_

**Child 2:** First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Program and Preferred camp session: \_\_\_\_\_

**Program Fee Total \$** \_\_\_\_\_ **Family Contribution \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**Other Agency Subsidy \$** \_\_\_\_\_ **Campership Request \$** \_\_\_\_\_

I have read, and understand, the guidelines for Sasamat Outdoor Centre's Camperships. I would like to apply for a Sasamat Outdoor Centre Campership because I am unable to pay the full fee under any of the standard payment options. If I fail to make the "Family Contribution" payments required, my privileges may be suspended and my child may be unable to attend camp.

**Parent's Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

## Sponsor Information (Please Print)

Date: Day \_\_\_\_\_ Month \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

**Sponsor's Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Position** \_\_\_\_\_ **Organization/Agency** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone** \_\_\_\_\_ **Fax** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mailing Address- Street** \_\_\_\_\_

**City** \_\_\_\_\_ **Postal Code** \_\_\_\_\_

I have thoroughly read, and understand, the guidelines for Sasamat Outdoor Centre's Camperships and agree that this applicant meets those guidelines. I believe that the applicant family has financial need, and that a Campership from Sasamat Outdoor Centre is necessary to allow this (these) child/ren to participate in a Sasamat Outdoor Centre Summer Camp program.

I agree to participate in a brief telephone follow-up if required.

**Signature of Sponsor** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

Sasamat Outdoor Centre is committed to protecting personal information by following responsible information handling practices, in keeping with privacy laws. We collect, use, and disclose personal data in order to better service your needs, to ensure the safety of children in our care, for statistical purposes, to inform you about Sasamat Outdoor Centre programs and services, and to satisfy government and regulatory obligations.