

## Congregation Beth Shalom Youth Scholarship Policy

The Scholarship Committee of Congregation Beth Shalom is proud to announce that funds are available for those students who are planning to attend programs sanctioned by the Conservative Movement or the March of the Living Program. Candidates must fulfill the criteria spelled out in the Youth Scholarship Policy (see below) and families must qualify on the basis of financial need only. All applications will be held in strict confidence.

Congregation Beth Shalom offers scholarship money to youth, third grade and above, planning to attend the following programs: Camp Ramah, USY Summer Programs (see USY website), March of the Living, USY or Kadima conventions, USY International Convention, Nativ Year Course, Encampment. The Fund subsidizes transportation for conventions and activities (excluding IC) for ALL students. Scholarship funds can be used for more than one program and can be applied retroactively for the current Jewish year. Monies will be disbursed directly to the programs when possible. In the case of a retroactive payment, a check will be made payable to the parents.

If a child receives scholarship money and does NOT attend the program for ANY reason, the parent must refund the Scholarship Fund for the full amount of the award - including late or cancellation fees.

1. The Candidate must be a member of good standing in Congregation Beth Shalom's Youth Groups, i.e. Kadima or USY. Parent(s)/guardian(s) must be members of good standing of Congregation Beth Shalom.
2. The Candidate must be enrolled as a student in The Ethel Honigman Religious School of Congregation Beth Shalom, 6-8<sup>th</sup> grade and Hebrew High or Hillel School of Tampa.
3. The Candidate must be willing to share their experience with the Congregation either at a Shabbat Service and/or through articles in the Kol, and/or participating in the annual Scholarship Shabbat.
4. The Candidate must attend services at in Congregation Beth Shalom on a regular and consistent basis.
5. The Candidate must perform service work at the Synagogue. Some options are tutoring in the Religious School, helping to run Shabbat Minyanaires, helping in the Shul office, etc.
6. The Candidate must submit a short essay (150-200 words) expressing what they hope to accomplish and learn from their program.
7. Rabbi Weizman will submit a short, written recommendation or a verbal statement based on personal knowledge of the Candidate.
8. Parent(s)/Guardian(s) and Candidate must complete all parts of the application including all financial information that is requested.
9. Candidates must apply to the Jewish Federation for additional scholarship money as applicable, and for available USY scholarships, i.e. the David Lindenbaum Scholarship Fund.
10. Candidates may be interviewed by the Scholarship Committee; the Candidate will be contacted to schedule an appointment with the Committee.
11. All completed applications and essays must be submitted to the synagogue office in a timely manner.
12. Parent(s)/Guardian(s)/Family must contribute a dollar amount to the cost of the program.

The Scholarship Committee of Congregation Beth Shalom will make the final determination of scholarship awards. For further information, please contact Karen Eisler at [eislerkf@gmail.com](mailto:eislerkf@gmail.com)

## Youth Scholarship Application

The completed application and essay must be returned to the Congregation Beth Shalom office to the attention of the Youth Scholarship Committee, c/o Karen Eisler. The Youth Scholarship Committee of CBS will make the final determination of scholarship awards. For further information, please contact VP of Youth and Education, Kirsten Palmer at [education@cbsclearwater.org](mailto:education@cbsclearwater.org).

Name of Candidate: \_\_\_\_\_

Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian Cell #'s: \_\_\_\_\_

**Candidate's CBS Religious School Program – circle one:**

Religious School (3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> grades)      Bet Mem Club (6<sup>th</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup> grades)      Post B'nai Mitzvah Program (8<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grades)

**Youth Group – circle one:**

Kadima (6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grades)      USY (9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grades)

Program to attend \_\_\_\_\_ Cost or dues amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Location: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Program candidate attended (if retroactive request) \_\_\_\_\_

Previous scholarships awarded by CBS and program(s) attended:

Amount awarded: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Program: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Amount of scholarship request: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's contribution toward program: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Candidate's contribution toward program: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Other scholarship(s): (Organizations and amounts)

1) \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_      2) \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Candidate's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please turn over and complete financial information on the back of this form.

**Please attach essay to this application.**

## Scholarship Application Form

To apply for a scholarship from Congregation Beth Shalom, please provide accurate and complete information. Scholarships are awarded based on financial need and merit. The information you provide will remain confidential.

Name of Candidate: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  

Street
City
State

Parent/Guardian must answer every question.

Parent/Guardian:  
 Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Employer: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Total Gross Income Last Year: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Include salary, retirement, inheritance, alimony, and Social Security)

Parent/Guardian:  
 Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Employer: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Total Gross Income Last Year: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Include salary, retirement, inheritance, alimony, and Social Security)

Parent/Guardian current marital status:  Single     Married     Separated     Divorced  
 With whom does the child live:  Both Parents     Shared Custody     Mother     Father     Other Guardian  
 If parents/guardians are divorced, is the custodial parent/guardian remarried?     Yes     No  
 If parents/guardians are divorced, how much child support is received monthly? \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**FINANCIAL INFORMATION:**

Parent/Guardian Assets	What is it worth today?	What is owed on it?	What is the annual payment schedule?
Cash, Savings & Checking Accounts	\$	N/A	N/A
Investments: stocks, bonds, CDs, money market, retirement accounts, etc.	\$	N/A	N/A
Home (renters put monthly rent amount)	\$	\$	S
Business	\$	\$	S

If parent/guardian owns a home, in what year was it purchased? \_\_\_\_\_ What was the purchase price? \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_