

2026 Summer Environmental Camp Scholarships Available for Middle and High School Students

Fond du Lac Area Bird & Nature Alliance (formerly Audubon) is offering Dave Stetter Environmental Education Middle and High School Scholarships for this summer. Dave Stetter, a science teacher at Goodrich High School, highly valued hands-on environmental education for instilling conservation values. The Wisconsin Land and Water Conservation Association sponsors a camp that offers such experiences. Students entering Grades 6 through 8 in the fall of the 2026–2027 school year may attend the Wisconsin Land and Water Middle School Conservation Camp, June 28–July 1, 2026. The camp is held at Camp Lakotah, Wautoma. For high school students, the camp is North Lakeland Discovery Center in Manitowish Waters, June 15–18, 2026 (Grades 9–12 in fall). While enjoying the outdoors and having fun, students will learn about the forest, water, and wildlife ecology, and conservation problem solving.

For information about this camp and to register, visit:

<https://wisconsinlandwater.org/our-work/youth-education/conservation-camp>

Bird & Nature Alliance (Audubon) scholarships cover camp fees.
Parents are expected to provide transportation to and from the camp.

Scholarship applications are due on April 30, 2026.

Questions? Call or text Margie Winter 920-517-5416.

The applications are on the following pages.



Fond du Lac Area Bird & Nature Alliance (formerly Audubon)
Dave Stetter Environmental Education Scholarship
CAMP SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

OPEN TO: Fond du Lac County Middle and High School Students

APPLICATION DEADLINE: April 30, 2026

These forms must be submitted via U.S. mail to Margie Winter.

Forms are available electronically on the Fond du Lac Audubon website: **fdlaudubon.org**

Mail to: Bird & Nature Camp Application, Margie Winter, N6786 Hilltop Drive, Fond du Lac, WI 54937

Name of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____
(street) (city) (zip)

Email: _____

Phone: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____

School: _____ Grade Completed: _____

Names of Teacher References: 1) _____

2) _____

*Submit two teacher reference forms written by the above named teachers with this application.

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Please check which camp you would like to attend: Wisconsin Land and Water Conservation

Camps: <https://wisconsinlandwater.org/our-work/youth-education/conservation-camp>

☐ **Camp Lakotah**, Wautoma, WI, June 28-July 1, 2026 (Grades 6-8 in Fall)

☐ **North Lakeland Discovery Center**, Manitowish Waters, WI, June 15-18, 2026 (Grades 9-12 in Fall)

SELECTION PROCESS

Scholarship Selection will be based on:

- 1) Applicant response to the questions on this application.
- 2) Interest in the environment and passion for exploring and learning.
- 3) Recommendations from two teacher references. (One must be a science teacher.)
- 4) Whether application deadlines and requirements are met.

• NOTE: Scholarship award recipient will be expected to talk informally about his or her camp experience at the September meeting/picnic of the Fond du Lac Area Bird & Nature Alliance (Sept. 2026) or provide a written paragraph about the camp.

PARENT and/or LEGAL GUARDIAN AUTHORIZATION

I give permission for my son/daughter _____ to
(printed first and last name of student)
attend the _____ Environmental Education Camp.
(Name of Camp)

Date(s) of Camp: _____

Location of Camp: _____

In the event that my child can not attend after accepting, I will immediately inform B & N Alliance (fondyadubon@gmail.com) and the camp director (kim@wisconsinlandwater.org). This will allow another child to attend the camp.

I understand that if my son/daughter is selected as a scholarship recipient, *I agree to provide for their transportation* to the camp.

Parent and/or Legal Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

PRINTED Parent and/or Legal Guardian Name: _____

I will allow my child's name and/or photograph to be released for Audubon publicity following the camp.

Parent and/or Legal Guardian Signature: _____

Parent email: _____

Dave Stetter Environmental Education Scholarship
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANT QUESTIONS

(May be typed on separate pages and attached.)

Applicant: _____ Grade Level Completed _____

Name of Environmental Education Camp: _____

1) Explain at least 3 reasons or strengths you have as to why you believe you would be a good candidate to attend this environmental education camp.

2) Describe any of your hobbies, activities or experiences that show your interest in the environment and/or conservation.

3. Share with us how you will use the experiences gained at this camp to increase your involvement in protecting the environment.

I have completed this application myself and the information I have submitted is accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Student Name (printed): _____ Date: _____

Student Signature: _____

SUBMITTING THE APPLICATION

Submit Application Form (pages 1-4) along with two Teacher Reference forms to *Margie Winter*. Teachers do not need to mail in their reference independently.

Deadline: April 30, 2026. (postmarked on or before April 30 2026)

Send forms by U.S. mail. **Mail To:** Bird & Nature Scholarship Application, Margie Winter, N6786 Hilltop Drive, Fond du Lac, WI 54937

In addition to this scholarship form, applicants will need to fill out the required camp registration materials as soon as possible. For more information follow this: <https://wisconsinlandwater.org/our-work/youth-education/conservation-camp>

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TEACHER REFERENCE FORM

Dave Stetter Environmental Education Scholarship

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Name of Applicant: _____

Name of Teacher Reference (printed): _____

Name of Class/Grade Taught by Teacher: _____

School Name: _____

Name of Environmental Education Camp: _____

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1) Would you recommend this student as a participant in the selected camp?

_____ Yes _____ No

If Yes, please respond to questions 2-4 that follow (**or** add a page of your own to address these questions and add your name, signature and date.

2) Why is this student a good candidate for a Conservation Camp Scholarship?

3) Would this student be a candidate that would take full advantage of this learning opportunity and be willing to share their experience? Please explain.

4) On a scale of 1-5 how would you rate this student for: (circle one)

- Ability low 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5 high
- Grade Performance low 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5 high
- Attitude/Behavior low 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5 high

Teacher Name (printed): _____

Teacher Signature: _____ Date: _____

Can Bird & Nature Scholarship Committee contact you *only if we find it necessary* in the selection process?

___Yes ___No If Yes, phone: _____

Email: _____

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___ Yes ___ No If Yes, phone: _____

Email: _____