

AQUATIC SCIENCE ADVENTURE CAMP



Scholarships 2022

The Barton Springs Edwards Aquifer Conservation District will offer several scholarships (overnight and day-camp options) to attend the Edwards Aquifer Research and Data Center's Aquatic Science Adventure Camp at Texas State University in San Marcos.

Scholarships are open to children ages 9 through 16 who reside in one of the eight school districts which overlap the Aquifer District boundary (ELGIBLE ISD's: Austin, Del Valle, Dripping Springs, Eanes, Hays, Lockhart, San Marcos, & Wimberley). Interested students must submit an application and a **one-page essay** entitled "Why I want to attend the Aquatic Science Adventure Camp!" Include a **one-page artwork** that captures "Science and Outdoor Adventure." As an example, artwork could include a drawing of river rafting, scuba diving, exploring a cave, fishing, or anything related to science and outdoor adventure. Artwork should be done on a separate page from the essay.

DEADLINE TO SUBMIT: MARCH 23, 2022
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**Barton Springs
Edwards Aquifer**
CONSERVATION DISTRICT

2022 SUMMER CAMP SCHOLARSHIP CONTEST

Application Form

Name of Camp Scholarship Applicant: _____

Name of Parent(s) or Legal Guardian(s): _____

Home Mailing Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Parent's Phone Number: _____

Parent's Email: _____

Applicant's School: _____ Grade Level: _____

School District: _____ Age: _____

How did you hear about the camp scholarship program? _____

Camp Info: <https://www.eardc.txstate.edu/camp/session.html> Please check the box that applies to your child:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | I am interested in attending the 6-day Overnight Expedition Camp. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | I am interested in attending the Aquatic Investigators 5-Day Day Camp. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | I am interested in attending the Explorer 5-Day Day Camp. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | I am interested in attending one of the Discovery Day Camps. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | I am interested in attending any of the camps. |

ART/ESSAY CONTEST – A one-page essay and a one-page artwork entry is required. Write a one-page essay entitled “Why I want to attend the Aquatic Sciences Adventure Camp!” Essays should include what the student hopes to learn and do at camp. Include a one-page artwork entry that captures “Science and Outdoor Adventure”. As an example, your artwork could include a colorful drawing of river rafting, scuba diving, exploring a cave, fishing, or anything related to science and outdoor adventure. Artwork should be done on a separate page from essay. **Please staple your essay/artwork to this application and mail/deliver documents to: Camp Scholarship Contest, Barton Springs/Edwards Aquifer Conservation District, 1124 Regal Row, Austin, TX 78748. You can also email your essay/artwork and application to edu@bseacd.org with the subject line “Camp Scholarship Contest”. Applications must be received by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 23, 2022. Scholarship winners will be chosen by a Board Committee. Only completed applications with essays/artwork will be eligible for the scholarship contest.**

I have read and agree to abide by the Rules of the Barton Springs/Edwards Aquifer Conservation District Camp Scholarship Contest and **I have not won** a BSEACD Camp Scholarship previously. In addition, if selected as a scholarship recipient, I grant permission to use my name, photo, or essay in any manner deemed appropriate by the District.

Student Signature _____ Date _____

Parent or Guardian Signature : _____ Date _____

BARTON SPRINGS/EDWARDS AQUIFER CONSERVATION DISTRICT CAMP SCHOLARSHIP CONTEST RULES

1) ELIGIBILITY

- a) The Barton Springs/Edwards Aquifer Conservation District's Camp Scholarship program will provide:
 - \$1000 scholarship to the Edwards Aquifer Research and Data Center's Week-Long Overnight Expedition Camp
 - \$500 scholarships to the Edwards Aquifer Research and Data Center's 5-Day Aquatic Investigators and Explorer Camps
 - \$60 scholarships to the Edwards Aquifer Research and Data Center's Discovery Day Camps.
 - For more information on the camp and its activities, please visit: <https://www.eardc.txstate.edu/camp/session.html>
- b) Scholarship contest is open to children ages 9 through 16. Students must reside in one of the eight school districts within the District boundaries. These school districts are: Austin, Del Valle, Dripping Springs, Eanes, Hays Consolidated, Lockhart, San Marcos Consolidated, and Wimberley.
- c) Students must attend a public, private, or other accredited school located within the boundaries of those school districts. Home-schooled students living within these boundaries are also eligible.
- d) Students who have previously been awarded a BSEACD Camp or Groundwater Essay Contest Scholarship are not eligible.

2) SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

A completed application form that contains contestant's name and contact information should accompany each essay/artwork entry. Essays/artwork must be completed by the applicant and address why the student would like to attend the camp and what they hope to learn/do while there. Artwork should capture "science and adventure." Essays cannot be longer than **one** page. Artwork should be included on a separate page.

Applications and essays/artwork must be received in the office by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 23, 2022. The Board of Directors reserves the right to refuse distribution of funds if minimum guidelines are not satisfied.

3) JUDGING CRITERIA

Scholarship winners will be chosen on the basis of level of effort and creativity; only completed applications with essays/artwork will be eligible. Parents will be notified in April 2022 if their child's name is chosen. District staff will arrange for the appropriate paperwork to be completed, and parents will be expected to provide registration materials in a timely fashion. Failure to do so will result in forfeiture of the scholarship.

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Real science, real fun!

New Aquatic
Investigator
camp for
15-16 year
olds



A summer they won't forget! Join us for a camp program this summer filled with science and adventure. Camps run June through August and include activities like SCUBA, river rafting, water chemistry, invertebrate microscopy, and more.

Ages: 9-16



Registration & camp information at
www.eardc.txstate.edu | 512-245-6176



TEXAS STATE
UNIVERSITY

Aquatic Science Adventure Camp

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Overnight Expedition Camps – Our overnight camp runs from Sunday afternoon through Friday afternoon. Campers will spend the first part of the week on the main Texas State University campus staying in a residence hall, the last 3 days of camp are spent at the scenic University Camp. Campers will experience a wide variety of exciting, educational activities including river rafting, scuba diving, and exploring a wild cave. Throughout the week, campers will participate in scientific investigations related to water and the environment. All meals included. Cost: \$1000.

Aquatic Investigators Day Camp – For the first time there will be a camp for 15-16 year olds with a passion for science. Campers will get the opportunity to learn lab and outdoor research skills, engage in conservation efforts, and meet a variety of professionals in the field of Aquatic Science. This camp is geared towards campers who are interested in science as a career pathway or are just passionate about learning science. Lunch is provided. Cost: \$500

Explorer Day Camps - We offer a week-long day camp for campers who would like the camp experience without an overnight component. The camp features many of the daytime science and recreational activities from the overnight camp including river rafting, caving, scuba diving, and more. Lunch is provided during camp. Cost: \$500.

Discovery Day Camps – Discovery Day Camps run from 9am to 4pm. The Habitat Day will include a mussel hunt in the Guadalupe River and an aquatic plant ecology class. The River Runner Day's main activities will be tubing down the San Marcos River and an invertebrate lab. Lunch is not provided; campers will need to bring their own food for the day. Cost: \$60.

| Camp | Date | Age |
|------------------------------|------------------------|-------|
| Overnight Expedition Camp 1 | June 5-10, 2022 | 9-11 |
| Overnight Expedition Camp 2 | June 12-17, 2022 | 12-14 |
| Overnight Expedition Camp 3 | June 19-24, 2022 | 9-11 |
| Overnight Expedition Camp 4 | June 26 - July 1, 2022 | 12-14 |
| Discovery Day - Habitats | July 7, 2022 | 12-14 |
| Discovery Day - River Runner | July 8, 2022 | 12-14 |
| Aquatic Investigators Camp | July 11-15, 2022 | 15-16 |
| Overnight Expedition Camp 5 | July 17-22, 2022 | 9-11 |
| Explorer Day Camp 1 | July 25-29, 2022 | 9-11 |
| Explorer Day Camp 2 | August 1-5, 2022 | 12-14 |
| Discovery Day - Habitats | August 8, 2022 | 9-11 |
| Discovery Day - River Runner | August 9, 2022 | 9-11 |

We invite you to check out our website at www.eardc.txstate.edu/camp.html to see more about the camp and the fun and exciting activities we have planned for 2022. Follow us on Facebook and Instagram. If you have any questions about the camp or would like to talk about our program, please call Education Program Manager Kellie Donajkowski at 512-245-6176 or email us at eardc_education@txstate.edu.



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