## 2023 AbilityFirst Camp Paivika Camp Scholarship Guidelines PLEASE READ CAREFULLY!

Completion of the Camp Scholarship Application form is required to determine the camper's need for financial assistance and helps AbilityFirst to distribute finite funds in a fair and equitable manner. We cannot guarantee that all requests for financial assistance will be granted. The allocation of camp scholarship funds will be based on a sliding scale and will be awarded to qualifying individuals on a first come, first served basis. SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS ARE LIMITED. INCOMPLETE ONLINE FORMS WILL NOT SHOW IN OUR SYSTEM AND WILL NOT BE PROCESSED.

## **POLICIES**

- A camp scholarship application and a \$150.00 deposit must be completed for EACH applicant before the camper can be considered for funding. If the camper does not qualify for financial assistance and decides not to attend camp, the \$150.00 deposit will be returned.
- Once a camp scholarship has been awarded and the camper has committed to attending camp, camp refund policies will apply and the deposit will not be refunded. See registration policies for more info.
- A minimum registration deposit of \$150.00 will be required for ALL campers. Campers receiving a camp scholarship will have a required co-payment; after the deposit of \$150.00 and the award amount, the co-payment will be the remaining balance.
- Camp scholarships are limited to two per family or group home and can only be granted for one session per camper, per year.
- Camp scholarships are <u>not available</u> for campers receiving government funding to attend camp.
- Incomplete online forms will not show in our system so we will be unable to process them.
- All scholarships will be considered on a first come, first served basis. Once scholarship funds have been depleted, applications for assistance will no longer be accepted.

To qualify for a camp scholarship, please complete the Camp Scholarship Application form **IN FULL** in your online account. Please be assured that all information is kept strictly confidential and only seen by the AbilityFirst selection committee.

Eligibility is based on family income (not expenses) and preference will be given to applicants with income at or below the levels in the following chart. The amount of the scholarship award will be based on a sliding scale and applicants will be notified of their required co-pay once their scholarship application has been approved.

## 2023 FAMILY INCOME GUIDELINES 300% of 2023 National Poverty Guidelines

Persons in Family or Household Size	Annual
1	\$40,770
2	\$54,930
3	\$69,090
4	\$83,250
5	\$97,410
6	\$111,570
7	\$125,730
8	\$139,890

## <u>Definitions for Family Income Guidelines Chart</u>:

"Household" means a group of related or nonrelated individuals who are living as one economic unit and sharing living expenses. Living expenses include rent, clothes, food, doctor bills, utilities, etc.

A "household of one" means a camper who is his/her sole support. Foster children are one-member households only if the welfare/placement agency maintains legal responsibility for the child. PLEASE NOTE: IF YOU CLAIM THE CAMPER ON YOUR

INCOME TAXES, HE/SHE IS A PART OF YOUR HOUSEHOLD AND YOU MUST INCLUDE YOUR INCOME IN ADDITION TO THE CAMPER'S.