



Group Application for Program Financial Assistance

With prior Park District approval, discounts may be available to schools or agencies when providing recreational and educational experiences to youth. Reduced fees are available on weekdays (excluding holidays). Qualified groups may apply for financial assistance for Outreach programs or field trips to Three Rivers Park District. The Nature Center Supervisor or Program Supervisor must approve requests for assistance. To qualify group leaders should submit a request form that will be evaluated using the following criteria.

1. Economic need based on the student participation rate in the free or reduced lunch program.
2. Application received at least 21 days prior to the desired visit.
3. Each school or agency is eligible for a maximum of 8 (eight) visits per school year.
4. Schools or agencies that do not participate in the free or reduced lunch program must complete the application and submit a letter stating the financial need and the goal or mission of the group or organization to serve special economic or disabled populations.

Schools will receive a subsidy based on the percentage of student participation in the free or reduced lunch program. A minimum student participation rate of 30% is required; a maximum subsidy of 60% is available. These funds are available on first-come first-served basis and can be requested at the time of your group reservation. The Park District will verify the percentage of children participating in lunch programs by accessing data from the Minnesota Dept. of Education website: www.education.state.mn.us.

If you would like information about the trails or facilities for the park(s) that you wish to visit, please call the park directly or visit us online at www.threeriversparkdistrict.org

Application for Program Fee Reduction

Name of school or organization: _____
Contact Person: _____ Phone Number: _____
Organization Address: _____
Fax: _____ E mail address: _____

Briefly describe your participants:

Age Level _____	Percentage of children in free/reduced lunch program _____
Number of participants _____	Location of program requested _____
Number of teachers or chaperones _____	_____
Number of buses or vehicles _____	_____
Date(s) of field trip _____	Have you previously applied for a scholarship this school year? _____

Submit this form to the Supervisor at the Nature Center or Visitor Center you plan to visit. Applications can be faxed to Supervisors, please call site for fax number.