

## HCFC Taproot Scholarship Program

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Thank you for your inquiry into our **Taproot Scholarship Program (TAP)**.

This scholarship program is designed to WEAVE THE TAPESTRY OF OUR FARM COMMUNITY. It is rooted in the premise that we are all resourceful and full of resources. TAP allows families to explore and use their untapped resources to make a difference in our farm camp program. It is our intention that through collaboration we can create a sustainable community.

### **Goals of TAP:**

- To make farm camp financially accessible to as many campers as possible
- To provide an opportunity for families to share, learn, and grow through their active participation in the life of the farm and the HCFC community
- Many hands make light work! Having a few extra helping hands and willing hearts around the farm is helpful to our staff, enriches our farm camp program, and benefits our campers.

### **How does this program work?**

All families are asked to contribute financially to their child(ren)'s farm camp experience at the highest level possible. In the case that our tiered pricing scale is financially prohibitive for their child(ren) to attend, the family is asked to consider the amount they can financially pay and the way(s) in which their family can contribute to the maintenance, operation, or growth of the camp. Through a reciprocal relationship parents/family can share their time and talents in exchange for a small reduction in farm camp session fees. Through conversation, a mutual agreement of financial contribution and volunteer hours is determined. The areas in which families can help are many ~ facility cleanup on weekends, facility repairs and maintenance, farm work, processing harvested food, gardening, weeding, and canning/preservation days.

Although we strive to make every request for Taproot Scholarship possible, we are limited with our funds, and may not be able to accommodate every request particularly if request is for multiple sessions, and/or multiple campers. Participants are determined based upon the needs of our camp program and at the discretion of our Administrators. HCFC does not discriminate based on race/ethnicity, color, national origin, sex, disability, political beliefs, religion, sexual orientation, or age in the administration of this program or any other program.

Our Taproot Scholarship Program was adapted from the following concepts:

*Soul of Money* by Lynne Twist [www.soulofmoney.org](http://www.soulofmoney.org)

*Assessable Tuition for All* – Institute for Social Renewal [www.socialrenewal.com](http://www.socialrenewal.com)

*The Appreciative Organization* - Taos Institute Publication [www.taosinstitute.net](http://www.taosinstitute.net)

Please feel free to contact us with questions

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### TAPROOT SCHOLARSHIP AGREEMENT

This agreement is to be completed upon formal discussion with our program administrators and only after a mutual understanding is determined regarding tuition amount, specific volunteer way(s) and amount of hours. Return agreements to: Heritage Creek Farm Camp

Email: [info@heritagecreekfarmcamp.com](mailto:info@heritagecreekfarmcamp.com) Address: 1949 Milton Grove Rd, Mt. Joy, PA 17552

Name \_\_\_\_\_

(primary person(s) fulfilling the requirements of this agreement)

Name of Camper(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Please state session(s) your child(ren) are attending: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Please describe the way(s) in which your family will be volunteering:

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\_\_\_\_\_ Amount of volunteer hours      \$\_\_\_\_\_ Amount of session fee reduction

Date(s) of volunteer hours \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ My volunteer date(s)/time(s) are yet to be determined. Please contact me to schedule.

The total amount being paid for our farm camp session(s) \$\_\_\_\_\_

Please accept the above mentioned volunteer work as my contribution to HCFC. In the case that I am able to fulfill the requirements of this reciprocal agreement I agree to pay the full amount due for the session(s) my child(ren) will be attending. I understand and acknowledge that while performing my TAP work agreement I am a volunteer, not an employee of HCFC and do not qualify for any type of benefits or compensation.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

HCFC Administrator \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

We thank you for your participation in our Taproot Scholarship Program and look forward to a wonderful working relationship with your family. We ask that the details of the scholarship agreement be kept confidential between your family and the farm. We work with each family that applies to scholarship program to establish a volunteer/tuition reduction plan that meets the financial budget of the family and serve the volunteer needs of our farm camp program.

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