

JUNIOR CAMPER APPLICATION (Must have completed 5th, 6th, or 7th grade)
2025 ARKANSAS AUDUBON SOCIETY HALBERG ECOLOGY CAMP

Please circle your preferred session dates, or that either is acceptable. Campers will be assigned as their applications are confirmed. If only one set of dates works for your schedule, please make that note.

Camp dates: First session—June 8-June 13 Second session—June 15-June 20 Either Session is acceptable

CAMPER INFORMATION: please print/type all answers in dark ink

Camper name _____

Date of birth (MM/DD/YYYY)_____ Age at the time of camp_____ Sex (M, F) _____

School _____ Grade(Must have completed either 5th, 6th, or 7th grade) _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____

Zip _____ County _____

Parent/Guardian 1 name _____ Cell phone _____

Parent/Guardian 2 name _____ Cell phone _____

Emergency contact _____ Phone _____ Relation _____
(**NOT** parent/guardian)

Your **adult** T-shirt size: Small Medium Large Extra Large 2XL 3XL

How did you find out about Audubon Camp? School/Teacher____ Former camper____ Audubon member____
Camp staff____ Internet____ State park____ Other _____

THE FOLLOWING IS TO BE COMPLETED BY YOUR PARENT OR GUARDIAN.

If your child has medical or disability issues that might impact his/her stay at camp or that might have an affect on class instruction or on other students, please attach a brief description of this condition. Upon camp acceptance you will fill out a more detailed health form. Nondisclosure of disrupting conditions may result in a child being sent home.

I agree that my child's teacher (or other chosen adult, in the case of home schoolers) has my permission to submit a recommendation of my child to the Ecology Camp Executive Director without my reading the evaluation. This camp involves outdoor educational and recreational activities such as field studies, hiking on uneven paths, team sports, swimming and canoeing. Fans are present in cabins, but there is no air conditioning.

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____ Date _____

PLEASE RETURN APPLICATION ALONG WITH IMMUNIZATION FORMS to:
AAS Ecology Camp, 586 Branchwood Ave., Springdale, Arkansas, 72764 or ttumlison@gmail.com.
In the interest of conservation, I prefer to do correspondence by email. If you do not have email, I will reply to the recommending teacher's email.

Email _____

Teacher's name & email (for use if I cannot get in contact with you) _____

Please check if you haven't heard back in several days. If the reply goes to a teacher, please contact them.

PARENTS: PLEASE READ AND KEEP THIS PAGE FOR REFERENCE
ARKANSAS AUDUBON JUNIOR CAMP

Junior session is for first-time attendees only, and they must have completed 5th, 6th, or 7th grade at the time of camp.

A Complete Application Includes: Please return application to: AAS Ecology Camp, 586 Branchwood Ave., Springdale, AR, 72764, or ttumlison@gmail.com along with a copy of immunization records or physician proof of a **medical** exemption to immunizations, and the teacher recommendation form (teachers may prefer to mail/email separately). Students who are home schooled may substitute a recommendation from someone who is familiar with their academic and social performance.

Immunization Records: Applicants are required to provide a copy of immunization records or physician proof of medical exemptions. We do not accept philosophical exemptions. Please send the immunization record copy (scanned, printed, or photo/doc attachment) along with the application form. Without this, the camper application will be incomplete.

Scholarships and Tuition Assistance: Some local Arkansas Audubon Societies offer partial and/or full scholarships—check with the chapter in your area. Other limited tuition aid is available in case of need, and can be requested with the included tuition assistance application. Tuition assistance applicants should fill out the complete tuition assistance form along with a hand-written student essay.

Camper Acceptance: Campers accepted will be notified by email via the email given on this application form (or to the teacher who sends in the recommendation if the parent does not list an email). If you do not hear from me within a week, please contact me; I usually reply the day I receive a completed application packet by emailing an acceptance packet. Medical forms, signed rules, and the tuition fee of \$450 are to be submitted **after** notification of acceptance. If you cannot attend, please notify me ASAP.

Session Dates: Please remember that you will be given the session of your choice as far as possible since campers are assigned upon confirmation of their application. If it is possible for you to attend on only one of the dates given, please specify which one.

Covid Policy: We strongly recommend campers be fully vaccinated or have a negative Covid test within 72 hours of arrival. Camper families assume all risks related to exposure to Covid and its variants.

Additional information and a map (map is also at arbirds.org) will be sent with the acceptance letter.

Cabin requests are not accepted.

Camp Activities: This is an outdoor, hands-on environmental camp that involves team activities, hiking on uneven ground, swimming and canoeing. Cabins have cots and fans, but no air conditioning. Cell phones do not work in this area and the camp phone (501-991-3831) is for emergency use only. Since parents are invited to visit camp on Sunday and Friday, camp will not be open to visitors during the week. If there is a need to deliver a forgotten item to a child, a staff member will be glad to meet you at the gate. If your child is having a problem, one of the Camp Directors or the nurse will notify you.

We do not arrange carpools nor do we give out student information.

Tamzen Bryant, Executive Director
AAS Ecology Camps
586 Branchwood Ave.
Springdale AR 72764
870-510-0540
ttumlison@gmail.com

ARKANSAS AUDUBON SOCIETY CAMP RECOMMENDATION FORM

Please have your teacher fill out the following recommendation or fill out the form online at

<https://aasecocamps.org/Apply.aspx>

The completed form can be mailed to: AAS Ecology Camp, 586 Branchwood Ave., Springdale AR, 72764,
OR emailed to ttumlison@gmail.com. (Home schoolers may use a reference from someone who is familiar with
their abilities.)

Junior session is for 5th, 6th, or 7th grade attendees. This recommendation is required for acceptance to Junior
Audubon Camp.

Student Name- _____

Does this student:

Display an interest in
the study of the environment? _____

Show concern for environmental
issues? _____

Cooperate with and show respect
for fellow students? _____

Respect and listen to instructors? _____

Follow guidelines without assistance? _____

Will this student benefit from the Ecology
Camp program? Why or why not? _____

Please explain any no answers you gave to the above checklist:

Briefly describe any behavioral issues or special interests:

Teacher signature _____
(Other reference for homeschoolers-please describe)

School _____

Email _____

Teachers: If you would like to receive early notification (Feb.-March) of Audubon Camp's dates for the next year's sessions, please indicate below. You can also find up-to-date information at arbirds.org. **If the student's parent does not give an email, I will reply to yours with their acceptance packet and/or other materials. I will appreciate it if you pass this information on to the student.**

APPLICATION FOR JUNIOR TUITION ASSISTANCE
ARKANSAS AUDUBON ECOLOGY CAMP

This form must be filled out **COMPLETELY** for tuition assistance consideration. This form is not necessary for those who have already been awarded individual Audubon chapter scholarships. Return this form along with your camp application to AAS Ecology Camp, 586 Branchwood Ave., Springdale, Arkansas, 72764, or ttumlison@gmail.com.

Please do not request tuition assistance unless you will not be able to attend Audubon Camp without it. The Camp Committee receives many requests each year and our funds are limited. While tuition is \$450, the actual cost to attend camp is \$450-plus, which is subsidized by the Audubon Society. If you are awarded tuition assistance and find you will not be able to attend camp, please notify me immediately so that the money can be used by another student.

NAME _____ DATE _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____

STATE _____ ZIP _____ CELL PHONE _____ - _____ - _____

EMAIL _____

AMOUNT OF TUITION ASSISTANCE REQUESTED:

PARTIAL TUITION IN THE AMOUNT OF _____

HALF TUITION OF \$225 _____

FULL TUITION OF \$450 _____

NUMBER IN FAMILY _____ ANNUAL INCOME _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN: SINCE SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES ARE NOT ALWAYS REFLECTED BY INCOME AND FAMILY NUMBER, PLEASE DESCRIBE THE REASON(S) THIS STUDENT NEEDS TUITION ASSISTANCE. THIS SECTION MUST BE COMPLETED FOR TUITION ASSISTANCE CONSIDERATION.

STUDENT ESSAY FOR SCHOLARSHIP & TUITION ASSISTANCE APPLICATION: One question must be answered by the student in his/her own words (100 words maximum)

1. Why is it important to learn about nature?
2. Describe your favorite thing to do in nature. Why do you enjoy this?
3. What are some ways humans interact with nature?