

# Odyssey Expeditions Scholarship Application

Dear Scholarship applicant,

Enclosed you will find the Odyssey Expeditions Scholarship application. By completing the enclosed materials, you will be considered for a scholarship. All scholarships are partial scholarships ranging in value typically from \$500 to \$2500.

The selection criteria for scholarships is based on a combination of financial need and individual merit. Scholarship rewards are only for tuition reduction for participation in an Odyssey Expeditions voyage and are not transferable nor sale-able. If financial need information is not supplied, application will be reviewed on the basis of individual merit only but will be eligible only for second and third tier award dates.

Applications are due May 1<sup>st</sup>. Scholarships will be awarded on May 15, June 1<sup>st</sup>, and June 15<sup>th</sup>, with the second and third dates set aside to reward any scholarship runner-ups in the even that a first round finalist is unable to attend a voyage.

## Application Checklist

- Odyssey Expeditions Scholarship Application filled out with all questions answered and signed.
- Odyssey Expeditions Participation Application Completed (*online or attached to application*)
- Three Student Essays
- Two Personal References (*to be mailed separately*)
- Attach a copy of parent or guardian's most recent 1040 Tax Form
- Attach a copy of applicants most recent high school transcript

Mail application to:

Odyssey Expeditions Scholarship  
418 Shaddock St  
Tarpon Springs, FL 34689

- I (We) declare that the information provided in this application is true and complete.
- I (We) have enclosed a copy of my (our) 1040 tax form(s).

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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## Scholarship Applicants Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or Guardians Names: \_\_\_\_\_

### Estimation Of Need

Odyssey Course Tuition:	\$ _____
Course Airfare:	\$ _____
Total Course Cost:	\$ _____
Amount Family Can Provide:	\$ _____
Amount of Aid from Other Sources:	\$ _____
Net Amount of Scholarship Aid Needed:	\$ _____

### Odyssey Program of Interest

Please check which programs you would like to be considered for a scholarship for.

- Discovery Voyage in the British Virgin Islands
- Adventure Voyage in the British Virgin Islands
- S.E.A. Voyage in the Windward Islands

Please list the dates you would be able to attend a voyage in the summer, include when you get out of school and fully available to attend. \_\_\_\_\_

### Children (Siblings) In Your Family

Child/Sibling Name	Age	Annual School Tuition	Amount of Educational Aid Received
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_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

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Scholarship Applicants Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Scholarship Applicants Parent(s) or Guardian Financial Information

### INCOME

Salary before taxes	\$ _____
Other income	\$ _____
Interest, dividends	\$ _____
Support	\$ _____
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$ _____</b>

### EXPENSES

Living Expenses:	\$ _____
Other annual bills:	\$ _____
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ _____</b>

**NET INCOME** (*total income minus total expenses*) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### ASSETS

Cash on hand & in accounts	\$ _____
Real Estate Value	\$ _____
Investments Value	\$ _____
Other Assets	\$ _____
Auto (year/model)	\$ _____
Auto (year/model)	\$ _____
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ _____</b>

### DEBTS

Mortgages	\$ _____
Bank Loans	\$ _____
Auto (year/model)	\$ _____
Auto (year/model)	\$ _____
<b>TOTAL DEBTS</b>	<b>\$ _____</b>

**NET WORTH** (*total assets minus total debts*) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(optional) If these numbers do not show a reasonable explanation of need, please provide a written explanation that tells the entire story. This gives applicants and their parents an opportunity to elaborate on need.

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## **SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANT ESSAYS**

Three essays are required. You must respond to Question #1. The other two, you get to select which questions you would like to answer.

Responses should be between 200 and 400 words per essay.

Responses should be typewritten.

Each essay should be submitted on a separate piece of paper with the full question on the top.

Original artwork can be included with each essay on separate cover.

### **Essay Topic Questions:**

1. If you are selected to receive a scholarship and elect to participate in an Odyssey voyage, what do you expect to get out of your experience and what you will bring to your group's experience?
2. Why do you deserve to receive a scholarship?
3. What will you do in the next five years to help preserve coral reef ecology, whales, or shark populations?
4. What do you plan to study in college and why?
5. What environmentalist in history do you most admire and why?
6. What achievement would you most like to accomplish in your lifetime?
7. What is a significant sacrifice you have made in the past two years to help another in need?

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The scholarship applicant shall complete this form and give to appropriate references.

One reference should be a teacher or school administrator.

The other reference can be anybody but a family member.

Reference forms are to be sent by the reference, not the applicant. This means they will be separate from the scholarship application.

Scholarship Applicants Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Odyssey Expeditions Program Applied For:

Discover Adventure Voyage for non-certified divers in the British Virgin Islands

Advanced Adventure Voyage for certified divers in the British Virgin Islands

S.E.A. Voyage (Service, Education and Adventure) Marine Biology Voyage in the Windward Islands

I authorize \_\_\_\_\_ (*name of reference*) to answer the following questions and release the aforementioned reference from any liability as a result of their responses on this form. Further, I relinquish all rights to review this form.

Dear Reference:

This form will be used to help determine scholarship financial aid awards for summer experiential education programs with Odyssey Expeditions Tropical Marine Biology Voyages. Please return the completed form to the address provided at your earliest convenience.

Please keep in mind that specific information in your answers is most helpful. Your responses are completely confidential. Thank you for your time!

1. What is your relationship with the applicant? How long have you know him or her?
2. What strengths will this person bring to their group?
3. How will this person benefit from an outdoor education adventure?
4. Why does this person deserve to receive a scholarship?
5. Is there any reason why this person might not be able to participate fully with regard to character, physical ability, or other reason?
6. Is there anything else you would like the selection committee to know about this person?

Reference Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization and Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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