

SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION



SUMMER YOUTH SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships are available for Concordia Language Villages through our Passport Fund scholarship. The Passport Fund allows villagers to apply for funding from multiple sources with one application. Simply complete the application and we will make the best award possible from our different scholarship funds.

Applications for the Passport Fund will be available in early January 2025. The deadline for first-round consideration is February 5, 2025. Recipients will be notified by late February. Applications for second-round consideration are due March 5, 2025. Recipients will be notified by late March. Applications will be accepted until funding is exhausted. More funds are available for some languages than others. We will provide information about where funding is still available on the website and in relevant forms.

Applications for the Minnesota Office of Higher Education Summer Stipend will be available in early January. This application will also be available in early January 2025. There is no deadline for applications. Recipients will be notified when the state approves stipends.

PASSPORT FUND

1. PASSPORT FUND APPLICATION

When is the deadline for the Passport Fund Scholarship application?

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Who is eligible?

Scholarships are available for youth overnight and Virtual Village sessions, as well as some adult residential programs. Sometimes our volume of applications is high enough that we are not able to award to everyone who would otherwise qualify for a scholarship. It never hurts to apply, as the funds available vary based on the language program chosen.

Family and Day Camp sessions are not eligible for Passport Fund scholarships.

How do I apply?

Register for a session. Shortly after registration, you will receive an email with links to the application forms, or you can access them here:

[Passport Fund Application](#)

[Financial Documentation Upload](#)

1. PASSPORT FUND AWARDS

When will I know if I have been awarded a scholarship?

We will send out an award notification by email approximately 2-3 weeks after submitting a complete application. The letter will include the following information: 1) if you have or have not been awarded a gift, 2) the amount of the gift and 3) a return form to accept or decline the award.

What do I do if I am not awarded a scholarship?

We hope you are still able to join us at camp!

If you cannot attend due to financial reasons, please see if there are additional scholarship opportunities for the language you are attending, or you could consider switching to a language with more scholarship funding available. Generally speaking, we have the most scholarship funding in Arabic, Finnish, German, Korean, Norwegian and Swedish.

If a shorter camp session would be more affordable, you can contact our Registration office at clvregister@cord.edu to discuss changing sessions. The money you have already paid is transferable to a different session within the same summer or an immediate family member if that person is attending during the same summer.

We offer monthly payment plans through our Finance department.

The final option would be to cancel your registration. If you cancel within two weeks of notification of your scholarship award, your registration fee and any payments you have made, will be fully refunded. Any cancellations after the deadline are subject to our cancellation policies.

What if I am unable to attend the session that I have received the scholarship for? Is the scholarship transferable?

Scholarships are non-transferable. This includes transferring scholarships between languages, between years and between family members. Some scholarships can be transferred between sessions in the same language during the same summer. Please contact clvregister@cord.edu to discuss your options if you must change sessions.

Can I receive a full scholarship through the Passport Fund?

No. It is our policy to award no more than 90% of the cost of the tuition.

How much money is awarded for a scholarship?

A typical scholarship covers no more than 30% of the cost of tuition. For more detailed information, please contact clvregister@cord.edu.

Who awards Passport Fund scholarships, and how do you decide?

The Concordia Language Villages scholarship committee reviews scholarship applications. Information provided with your application will be kept entirely confidential.

Passport Fund scholarships are based on financial need, determined by family size and adjusted gross income. To let us know about special circumstances, please email clvregister@cord.edu.

How do I increase my chances of being awarded a Passport Fund Scholarship?

Read and follow the application guidelines carefully. Consider languages with smaller programs or more funding, such as Arabic, Finnish, German, Korean, Norwegian or Swedish. If you received a scholarship last year, make sure you've sent us a thank you letter!

MN OFFICE OF HIGHER EDUCATION SUMMER ENRICHMENT STIPENDS

Stipends are available for summer youth language immersion programs, both virtual and overnight, at Concordia Language Villages through the Minnesota Office of Higher Education's (OHE) Summer Academic Enrichment Program.

The Summer Enrichment stipend will cover the cost of a Language Villages program up to a maximum amount of \$1,000. To be eligible, applicants must be a Minnesota resident in grades 3-11 who is eligible for free or reduced-price lunch. If the student is in grades 7-11, they must have an overall "C" average. The stipends are on a first-come, first-serve basis.

We also invite you to apply for our Passport Fund scholarship.

Apply for this stipend here: [Summer Stipend Application](#)

Financial qualification can be uploaded here: [Free/Reduced Lunch Form Upload](#)

GPA documentation for 7 - 11th grades can be uploaded here: [GPA Documentation Upload](#)

As with the Passport Fund, registration for a particular program is required for a complete application.

STARTALK HIGH SCHOOL CREDIT CHINESE AND RUSSIAN

Concordia Language Villages is proud to be the recipient of a STARTALK grant to provide 24 students with a fully funded Four-Week High School Credit program presented in conjunction with STARTALK staff using a custom STARTALK curriculum.

STARTALK is a federal grant program managed and funded by the National Security Agency. STARTALK grants fund innovative programs with strong language learning outcomes for K-16 students in support of the STARTALK goals.

STARTALK programs are free to all participants. Placement is by application only with preference given to those with a demonstrated financial need. Learn more and apply: [Chinese](#) and [Russian](#).

LANGUAGE-SPECIFIC SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

ARABIC

Thanks to a generous grant from Qatar Foundation, Intl. (QFI), villagers may apply for need-based, partial-tuition scholarships. Scholarship applications are reviewed on a first-come basis, and scholarships are awarded until funding is depleted. Apply via the Document Center of the registration system.

DANISH

Den Norske Torske Klubben is a longtime friend and partner of all Scandinavian programs at Concordia Language Villages. This organization provides scholarship and grant opportunities for young people to attend language and cultural camps, seminars and other educational opportunities celebrating Scandinavian heritage. You are not required to be a *Den Norske Torske Klubben* member to apply, however, preference is given to those with a connection to the club. Click [HERE](#) to apply.

FINNISH

Thanks to the continued generous support from The *Salolampi* Foundation, villagers may receive a partial-tuition scholarship. Scholarship applications are reviewed on a first-come basis, and scholarships are awarded until funding is depleted. Opt-in to this scholarship through the Documents Center.

There are numerous scholarship opportunities for families wishing to send a villager to *Salolampi*. Please

keep in mind that many of these scholarships can be combined and are not either/or. Check out all the options available to you below.

The *Salolampi* Foundation provides scholarship support of approximately 25% of tuition. To receive funding, please check “yes” on the scholarship opt-in during registration. To opt in after registration, log in to your UltraCamp profile, click on the reservation in question and open the “Additional Information” menu. Select “Edit information” and opt in to the scholarship. Or, email clvregister@cord.edu.

Finlandia Foundation National awards funds of up to \$300 each for a summer overnight session. In addition, villagers may be eligible for one of two types of travel grants. Additional information is available on the [Finlandia Foundation website](#). Please also contact your own local [Finlandia Foundation](#) chapter to see if additional funding is available.

The Ken Daniels Memorial Scholarship Fund has been established in memory of a long standing board member, Ken Erkki Daniels. Please email the Daniels family at danielsperhe@q.com for info on how to apply.

GERMAN

High school credit participants in our German programs are able to access scholarship funds provided by the *Max Kade* Foundation specifically to support these programs. Scholarships of up to \$2,850 are available through the *Max Kade* Foundation. Apply through the standard Passport Fund application. Additional funding through the Passport Fund may be available and awarded based on financial need.

NORWEGIAN

Several scholarships are available to our Norwegian villagers including the Journey Scholarship Endowed Funds, Sons of Norway funding and *Den Norske Torske Klubben*.

Scholarship opportunities are available for families wishing to send a villager to *Skogfjorden*, whether for the first time or for their 10th summer. Please keep in mind that many of these scholarships can be combined.

SKOGFJORDEN JOURNEY SCHOLARSHIPS

We have a saying at *Skogfjorden*, “*Gå for ti!*” (Go for ten!). We hope that each villager is able to join us for ten summers so that they can experience all levels of the amazing programs that we offer. We know that sending your villager to *Skogfjorden* is a big commitment from your family, and we want to support your commitment to our programs. The Journey scholarships are endowed awards that are designed to support a villager throughout their journey in the *Skogfjorden* program.

VELKOMMEN STIPEND

The purpose of the *Velkommen* Stipend is to provide scholarship assistance to first-time *Skogfjorden* villagers seeking to explore Norwegian language and culture. To qualify, a villager must be attending their first overnight session in the coming summer. This is a guaranteed scholarship to those that qualify and apply. Click [HERE](#) to apply.

TRIPP TRAPP FUND

The purpose of the Tripp Trapp Fund is to provide scholarship assistance to *Skogfjorden* villagers seeking to move up in the program. To qualify, a villager must be registered for a longer session than their previously attended session. Examples would be moving from a Day Camp program to an overnight program, a one-week to a two-week program, a two-week to a four-week program or a four-week (non-credit) to a four-week (credit) program. This is a guaranteed scholarship to those that qualify and apply. Click [HERE](#) to apply.

TOVE IRENE DAHL ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The purpose of the Tove Irene Dahl Endowed Scholarship Fund is to provide scholarship assistance to *Skogfjorden* villagers who will be attending for at least their 5th summer. To qualify, a villager must be registered for a session in the coming summer which would make it their 5th (or more) summer at *Skogfjorden*. This is a merit-based scholarship. Click [HERE](#) to apply.

SONS OF NORWAY

The Sons of Norway organization was instrumental in helping build the permanent site at *Skogfjorden* in the 1970s and has since continued to support *Skogfjorden* through generous scholarships for its members to attend during the summer. Lodges from all around the country award scholarships to members and their families. Check out the [lodge directory](#) to locate the lodge in your area to see if they offer scholarships. Note: At least one member of your family must be a member of your local lodge in order to get an award.

DEN NORSKE TORSKE KLUBBEN

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SWEDISH

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ADULT SCHOLARSHIPS

Adult scholarships are available on a limited basis for all adult programming, with specific funding available for our German and Norwegian programs. During the registration process, please indicate that you would like to apply and why we should consider you for this scholarship. If you would like to apply after registration, please email clvregister@cord.edu to indicate why you should be considered for this scholarship.