

Baltimore Dakota Learning Camps (BDLC)

2017 Participant Application

Porcupine Bible Camp July 22 – 29, 2017

Name (First, Middle, Last) -- *For Airline Ticket, must be exactly as on Government ID*

Date of Birth _____

Mailing Address _____

Phones: Home _____

Cell _____

Work _____

Participant's Email _____

Parent/Guardian Email _____

Church Affiliation _____

In accordance with BDLC policy, all participants will be required to complete child protective training/paperwork and attend Mandatory Staff training sessions. New staff will also need to attend Mandatory Cultural Sensitivity training as well.

Camp eligibility – Completed 9th grade.

Are you over 18 years of age? Yes - No - If No, fill in: Age _____ Grade _____

Are you a first time applicant? Yes - No - If yes, supplementary document 1&2 required.

(1) On a separate, typed page, provide all information below:	(2) Provide a letter of recommendation from a representative of your church, your service organization, or your employer. The Letter should address your:
- Brief biographical statement including interests and passions	- Leadership Skills
- Describe experiences you have had successfully working in a group	- Flexibility / Maturity
- Your experience(s) working with or tutoring children	- Ability to work with others, and
- Reason(s) you want to participate in the BDLC	- Sensitivity to cultural diversity.

Camp Fee (Deposit will be refunded if you are not selected for a staff position)

One Camp: \$775 --- \$200 required with application, balance by last training session

Camp Fee without Airfare is \$410

*Make Checks payable to: **Presbytery of Baltimore** with BDLC-PBC in the memo line.

Signature (Applicant) _____

Signature** (Parent/Guardian) _____

**Applicants under 18, a parent or legal guardian must co-sign this application

- Save this for your records -

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Interview Dates, Location and Mandatory Staff Training Dates
New Staff Interviews: April 15 – 10 AM – 12 noon @ Highland Presbyterian Church
Mandatory Staff Training #1: May 12 – 6:30 – 9 PM @ Highland Presbyterian Church
Mandatory Cultural Sensitivity Training for <u>new staff only</u>: June 10th – 10 – 11:30 AM @ Presbytery of Baltimore 5900 Loch Raven Blvd Baltimore, MD 21239
Mandatory Staff Training #2 and Potluck: June 11 - 3 - 7:30 PM @ Fallston Presbyterian Church

Applicants will be notified of acceptance during the last week of April 2017.

Please send completed application, deposit, and supplemental documents to:

Chrystie Adams
301 N Beechwood Avenue
Catonsville, MD 21228

Application, Supplementary documents, and deposit are due on or before 04/01/17

Scholarship

Turner Scholarship is available for youth applicants from a Baltimore Presbytery church. Elementary to College-age Presbyterian applicants are eligible.

To apply - Compose and submit with your camp application a 1 to 2 page essay titled, "**Who I Am and Why I want to Participate in a Learning Camp**". See page 3 for more information on the Turner Scholarship fund.

For more information, please contact:

Email: bdlc@baltimoredakotalearningcamps.org

Phone: 443.474.2200

BDLC Staff Fees and Refund Policy

1. Payment of the \$200 deposit must accompany the application. No applicant will be considered until the application and deposit are submitted.
2. Payment of fee balances must be received prior to or no later than the second training date or seven weeks before departure, whichever comes first. If payment is not received by this date, the applicant will not be able to go on the trip and will forfeit the \$200 deposit.
3. Refund requests must be submitted in writing to the camp leader. Full refund of fees paid will be considered up to the first training session. After the first training session, a partial refund may be considered.

ROBERT J. TURNER SCHOLARSHIPS

Bob Turner was a member of Faith Presbyterian Church and later Light Street Presbyterian Church. For 10 years he was also the Treasurer of Baltimore Presbytery. He and his wife Penny developed a special interest in helping young people benefit from witnessing the church at work in other cultures. In April, 1992 Bob Turner died from stomach cancer; he was 37. Penny Ward established this Scholarship Fund as a memorial to his love for the church.

The Robert J. Turner Memorial Scholarship Fund is established to enable young members of churches in Baltimore Presbytery to participate in foreign or domestic mission projects sponsored by the Presbytery. Typically, these projects are organized by the Youth Committee and/or Global Mission Committee and are designed to encourage and expand understanding of the diverse nature of Christ's church. Project activities frequently include "hands-on" work as well as cultural education experiences.

Scholarships will be awarded annually, the number of them and amount of each to be calculated according to the amount of projected income to be accrued from the Scholarship Fund for that year and according to the cost per participant for each mission project. (Ordinary income will be used to fund the Scholarship while capital gains will be reinvested.) The Presbytery's Accountant and the Scholarship Committee will make these determinations and will announce Scholarship availability as early each calendar year as possible.

It will be assumed that Scholarship applicants first meet all requirements of the mission project in question (age, parental permission, etc.); if they do not, their applications for this Scholarship will be disqualified.

To apply for a Robert J. Turner Scholarship, young people should compose a 1 to 2-page, typewritten, double-spaced essay titled, "**Who I Am And Why I Want To Go To Porcupine Camp**". The writing should be personal and original and may include the following kinds of thoughts and information:

- what's important to me
- my involvement in school, community, church
- my family; my friends
- why I need the Scholarship
- what I think the mission trip might do to me or for me

Applicants should not feel confined to these suggestions nor restricted by them.

Essays must be signed and should clearly indicate the applicant's name, address, phone number, and church.