



**Ohio Young Birders Club – Northeast Chapter
Black River Audubon Hog Island Scholarship Application
Coastal Maine Bird Studies for Teens: June 21-26**



**Scholarship Application
Guidelines**

The Black River Audubon Hog Island Scholarship provides full tuition and travel expenses to assist a student who is interested in the study of natural science, including birds and conservation, to attend the Coastal Maine Bird Studies for Teens camp this summer, June 21-26. This effort supports the goals of both Ohio Young Birders Club and Black River Audubon to encourage, educate, and empower our youth conservation leaders.

1. Membership in the Ohio Young Birders Club – Northeast Chapter is a requirement to be eligible to apply.
2. Applicants should have an interest in the study of birds or some other facet of natural history, including conservation. Active participation in OYBC NE Chapter will be considered evidence of interest.
3. An application form is available on the Ohio Young Birders Club website under the Northeast Chapter tab at www.ohioyoungbirders.org or by contacting an OYBC NE chapter advisor Liz McQuaid at (216-406-2370), and the form must be filled out completely. If you are less than eighteen years old, a parent or guardian must sign the application.

The following must be submitted with the application:

- **An essay providing the reason for the request and why this experience is important to the applicant**
 - **Letters of recommendation from two adults (other than parents or guardians) who have knowledge of your interests and activities**
4. Applications for financial support must be submitted in person or by mail by January 10, 2020. The Black River Audubon scholarship committee will review all applications and the scholarship winner will be announced March 1, 2020.
 5. The recipient of The Black River Audubon Hog Island Scholarship shall prepare a brief description of the camp experience for publication in the OYBC *Golden-wings* and Black River Audubon *Wingtips* newsletters. This description should be submitted within two months following the activity. A short presentation to the Black River Audubon chapter members on the experience will also be required at a chapter meeting.
 6. Send your application, essay and letter of recommendation to:
Liz McQuaid
4637 W. 148th Street
Cleveland, OH 44135-3413



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Applicant Information:

Name: _____ Gender: Male _____ Female _____

Street Address _____ Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____

City _____

State: _____ Zip Code _____ Home Phone (____) _____

E-mail Address _____

I am a member of the following organization(s): _____

Name of Parent or Legal Guardian:

Number of years as a member of Ohio Young Birders _____

_____ Attached an essay describing why you believe the Hog Island Teen Coastal Maine Bird Studies for Teens Camp would be a worthwhile experience for you.

_____ Attached letters of recommendation from group leaders who know you well, for example, teachers, scout leaders, ministers, etc.

Your signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian's signature: _____ Date: _____