

TEMPLE BETH EL SISTERHOOD YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP FUND
General Information
2009-2010

Through the generosity of Temple Beth El Sisterhood, a Youth Scholarship Fund is available to assist young people from within Temple Beth El with the cost of URJ-sponsored, informal educational experiences such as NFTY events, travel and study programs and other events that meet appropriate criteria. As the Sisterhood Scholarship Fund is not a budgeted item, funds available will be ongoing until depleted.

There are 4 requirements to receiving the TBE Sisterhood Scholarship:

1. Applicant's parents must be members of Temple Beth El in good standing and unless special circumstances exist, applicant must demonstrate qualifications based on merit, or merit and need.
2. Applicants must submit a completed application to the Sisterhood President.
3. Applications must be received at the Temple Office prior to the set deadline for the desired event (details follow).
4. Applicants must write (or e-mail) a thank you note to the Sisterhood President as well as prepare a brief evaluation using the form to be provided upon receipt of the scholarship.

Funds are granted on a first-come-first-served basis. All efforts will be made to grant as many scholarships as possible per program. As much as we would like to grant scholarships to everyone who applies, there are limited funds available. Therefore, even if an application is received by the deadline, there is always a chance that an applicant may not receive the scholarship. *The lifetime maximum for all recipients is \$750.*

Applications may be mailed or faxed to the TBE Youth Scholarship Fund c/o Sisterhood President at the address cited below.

If a scholarship from TBE Sisterhood is granted, a confirmation letter stating so will be sent to the applicant. The check will be mailed directly to the *event sponsor*. If after receiving the scholarship, the applicant is unable to attend the event, *the funds are to be returned to TBE Sisterhood.*

Note: Scholarships will be given per attached Table of Scholarships. Those meeting merit requirements and needing further financial assistance may indicate so on the application form whereupon further contact will be made by a member of the committee.

For Further Information Contact:
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For further information, visit our website at <http://bethelsp.org> (community section)

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In general, the following guidelines are followed for setting application deadlines:

- The application deadline for a Regional NFTY event will be 2 weeks prior to the 1st day of the regional event
- The application deadline for a NFTY North America, Hebrew Union College, or Religious Action Center (RAC) event will be 1 month prior to the 1st day of that program.
- The application deadline for the NFTY & Young Judea Travel Program will be 2 months before.

To specifically see how much of a scholarship is available and when the deadlines are, find the URJ Youth Program in which you are interested below.*

(*These dates are subject to change if the date of the event changes, so please call the program's administrator to confirm the date of the event.)

Applications received after the application deadline will not be considered.

Table of Scholarships

Event	Scholarships	Date of Event
NFTY Southern California Events:		
Leadership Training Institute, (LA)	\$100	Oct. 2-4, 2009
Fall Kallah, Malibu	\$100	Dec. 18-20, 2009
Social Justice Kallah, (Ventura)	\$100	Mar. 12-14, 2010
Elections Kallah, (unspecified location)	\$100	April 23-25, 2010
Spring Kallah, Malibu	\$100	May 28-30,2010
NFTY North America Events:		
Mechina – Leadership Academy (Kutz Camp, NY)	\$300	1 month prior
NFTY Biennial	\$300	Nov. 6-8, 2009
RAC – L'Taken Seminars		
Travel Allowance	\$150	1 month prior
	\$150	1 month prior
NFTY Travel Program (Israel)		
Young Judea Travel Program (Israel)	\$300	2 months prior
	\$300	2 months prior

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Satisfying Merit Requirements

In an effort to express our appreciation to students who provide assistance to Temple Beth El, merit points may be earned and scholarships provided to those who assist our temple in the following ways:

- Helping at Oneg Shabbat
- Assisting with both Temple and Sisterhood events
- Volunteering in the Madrikhim and Arachim programs
- Assisting with the sale of Hamentaschen
- Volunteering in TBE Office
- Volunteering for special projects arranged through professional staff
- Assisting with a TBE social action effort

Students are responsible for recording their volunteer service. The full application can be printed out from the TBE website and includes the Volunteer Service Record, which is now interactive. (Look under Community / Sisterhood) Put a description of the service performed, the date, the number of hours served and have a supervisor verify, as indicated. These Records should be turned into Debi Rowe before May 15 of the school year.

A certificate will be awarded at the end of the school year to every participating student indicating the total number of hours served. The certificate will serve as documentation of community service when completing a college application.

One volunteer hour equals one merit point

Note: Merit points not applied toward a scholarship will be carried over.

Merit Awards are as follows:

5 merit points equals	\$ 75
10 merit points equals	\$ 150
15 merit points equals	\$ 225
20 merit points equals	\$ 300

Note: Those meeting merit requirements and needing further financial assistance may indicate so on the application form whereupon further contact will be made by a member of the committee.