



Bernie Moore Memorial Scholarship

Connecticut Camping Association



\$500 Annual Scholarship

Supporting students pursuing careers in camping, recreation, outdoor education, and related fields.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

October 1

SCHOLARSHIP PRESENTATION

CCA Annual Meeting in December

Bernie Moore was a devoted camp director and a founding member of the Connecticut Camping Association. She believed deeply in the importance of camp and in creating opportunities for young people. This scholarship honors her legacy by supporting promising students who demonstrate financial need, leadership, academic achievement, and professional promise in camping and related fields.

Application Information

Purpose

The scholarship provides financial assistance to a promising student who would find it difficult to further their education in camping, recreation, outdoor education, or a related field without assistance. Both ability to succeed and financial need are emphasized.

Eligibility

- Applicant must be a high school senior or graduate.
- Applicant must reside in the United States.
- Applicant must be or have been involved in an organized camping experience.
- Applicant must be sponsored by a current member of the Connecticut Camping Association.

Selection Criteria

Camp Participation	15%
Scholastic Standing	20%
Financial Need	30%
Personal Essay	20%
References	15%

Submission Checklist

- ☐ Completed application
- ☐ High school or college transcript
- ☐ Personal essay
- ☐ Three completed recommendation forms / letters
- ☐ CCA member sponsorship information

Return completed packet to:

Bernie Moore Scholarship Committee
c/o Scott Brown
Connecticut Camping Association
50 Winding Trails Drive, Farmington, CT 06032

OR

Email: scott@windingtrails.org

Applicant Information

Complete all fields below. If a field does not apply, enter N/A.

Full Legal Name	Click or tap here to enter text.
Preferred Name (optional)	Click or tap here to enter text.
Date of Birth	Click or tap here to enter text.
Email Address	Click or tap here to enter text.
Phone Number	Click or tap here to enter text.
Home Address	Click or tap here to enter text.
City	Click or tap here to enter text.
State	Click or tap here to enter text.
ZIP Code	Click or tap here to enter text.
College / University / School	Click or tap here to enter text.
School Address	Click or tap here to enter text.
Current Academic Status	Click or tap here to enter text.
CCA Sponsoring Camp	Click or tap here to enter text.
CCA Sponsoring Member Name	
Sponsor Phone / Email	Click or tap here to enter text.

Goals, Activities & Experience

Career Goals

Tell us what you hope to do after completing your education and describe your employment aspirations. Be as specific as possible.

Click or tap here to enter text.

Non-Academic Activities

Include clubs, sports, volunteer work, community activities, and leadership roles.

Activity / Organization	Years	Role / Leadership

Honors, Achievements, Special Abilities or Talents

Click or tap here to enter text.

Organized Camping Experience

List your organized camping experience as a camper and/or staff member.

Camp / Organization	Camper or Staff	Years	Position / Responsibilities

Additional Camping Experience or Context

Click or tap here to enter text.

Annual Financial Need

Enter estimated annual education costs and resources. Use whole-dollar amounts when possible.

Estimated Cost of Schooling	\$
Scholarships / Grants Received	\$
Parent / Guardian Contribution	\$
Applicant Contribution	\$
Other Income / Resources	\$
Total Resources Available	\$
Estimated Annual Financial Need	\$

Required Personal Essay

Attach a personal essay addressed to the Bernie Moore / CCA Scholarship Committee. Include information that will help the committee evaluate your personal qualifications and financial need. Address what camping and related fields mean to you, what you hope to gain from your education, and your professional plans.

Required Transcript

Attach your college transcript to date. If you have not started college, attach your high school transcript.

References

Three recommendations are required. Give the separate recommendation form to three people who know you well enough to evaluate your qualifications.

Applicant Certification & Final Checklist

Review your application before signing.

- ☐ I completed all sections of this application.
- ☐ I attached my transcript.
- ☐ I attached my personal essay.
- ☐ I arranged for three recommendations.
- ☐ I provided the name of my sponsoring CCA member.

Certification

I certify that the information provided in this application is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant Signature: _____

Date: _____

Submit the completed application packet by October 1

MORE ABOUT BERNIE MOORE:

The Connecticut Camping Association has established the Annual Bernie Moore CCA Scholarship to provide assistance to students pursuing a career in the field of camping, recreation, outdoor education, or related field.

Bernie Moore was the consummate Camp Director. Her spirit stays with all who worked for her – and a multitude whose lives were touched by her. Bernie believed in the vital necessity of camp as a part of every summer in every child's life. She would do just about anything to make camp a possibility for anyone who wanted to go.

As a founding member of Connecticut Camping Association, Bernie helped to begin an organization dedicated to children's well-being while they are at camp. While Connecticut Camping Association has worked with the state health department, it has also allowed camp directors from around Connecticut, regardless of their camp origins, be it for profit or not-for profit, agency or not. Connecticut Camping Association has given camping professionals a place to learn more about the camping industry. Bernie was one to have the forethought that this would be essential to so many in the business of camping.

Bernie directed Camp Maria Pratt in Torrington for the Girl Scouts. She began the program at Camp Workcoeman, a Boy Scout camp in New Hartford – all while raising four children. Bernie was a wonderful role model for so many. Over the course of her career of more than 35 years, she touched thousands of girls' lives, several of whom followed her path in professional Girl Scouting. Bernie was known for her hugs and the fact that she could remember every girl who ever went to Maria Pratt.

Bernie made every girl feel like she was the most important person in Bernie's universe – and there were hundreds of girls each summer attending Maria Pratt! Bernie was a hero to all who knew her. At her Memorial Service, many young women spoke of the important role Bernie played in their lives. She helped so many to find themselves as they grew into women she appreciated and encouraged to reach beyond themselves and give back to their communities and to younger girls growing up. She touched the lives of so many and made so many the women they became!

The scholarship was set up as a way to honor her memory. Those chosen to receive it are dedicated to the lives of young people through camping and recreation.

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Recommendation Form

Make three copies or send this form to three recommenders. Your evaluation will be treated in a confidential and professional manner and will be given considerable weight by the Scholarship Committee.

Applicant Name	
Recommender Name	
Organization / Title	
Relationship to Applicant	
Email	
Phone	

Applicant Evaluation

Quality	Excellent	Good	Fair	Needs Improvement	Unable to Judge
Cooperation					
Emotional Maturity					
Initiative					
Judgment & Common Sense					
Leadership Ability					
Personality / Interpersonal Skills					
Reliability					

Comments / Recommendation

Click or tap here to enter text.

Recommender Signature: _____ Date: _____

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