



Center for Jewish Education
Community Fund for Israel Experiences
2010 Overview for all programs (except school trips)

April 15, 2010 deadline for summer, gap year, semester and all other Israel programs

Please note that CFIE funding in 2010 is LIMITED to scholarships for financial need.

Eligibility

- Applicant must be a Jewish teen in grades nine through twelve, or first year post high school, living in Baltimore City or Baltimore County
- Applicant must plan to travel to Israel on an educationally validated program (no family trips) that begins during the 2010 calendar year
- Applicants must have documented financial need

Additional Information

- Even if you are unsure whether your child will be participating in an Israel experience, please consider filling out this application. Applications **WILL NOT** be considered past the deadline.
- A scholarship cannot cover more than one third of the cost of the trip, for a maximum of \$2,500. **In the event that only a portion of the trip will take place in Israel, CFIE funding will cover up to one third of the cost of the portion of the trip that will take place in Israel.**
- Beginning with the 2010 school year, a student's lifetime cap for CFIE funding will be \$2,500.
- Deadline for applications is Thursday, April 15, 2010.

Application Process

1. Download a CFIE application from: <http://cjebaltimore.org> (Community Fund for Israel Experiences link).
2. Fill out the application in its entirety.
3. Make sure to obtain two letters of recommendation from appropriate sources and ensure that they are submitted by the deadline.
4. Students must send in proof of acceptance (acceptance letter, bill, or email confirmation) as soon as possible. Scholarship funds are sent directly to the program or school. We need to ensure that the money is sent to the correct program and we require the correct mailing address. You may send in the completed application without proof of acceptance but funds will not be released until that proof is provided to us.

Funding is limited and determined by the following criteria:

- Demonstrated financial need
- The completed scholarship application signed by parents and student
- Proof of acceptance to the program
- Two letters of recommendation

Additional Funding Resources

- ❖ Hebrew Free Loan
 - CFIE applicants with financial need may apply for a \$2,000 interest-free loan from Hebrew Free Loan Association of Baltimore. The standard repayment schedule is 40 monthly payments of \$50 each.
 - Download an application from <http://cjebaltimore.org> (Community Funds for Israel Experience link) and **return it directly to Hebrew Free Loan Association (not CJE), to the attention of the CJE Program Administrator.**
 - If you have questions about these loans, please contact Hebrew Free Loan directly at 410-466-9200 ext. 216
- ❖ Other scholarship opportunities are listed on the CJE website at <http://cjebaltimore.org>

Important Dates

Applicants will be notified of their scholarship amount by May 15, 2010.

PLEASE NOTE: WE ARE UNABLE TO CONSIDER LATE APPLICATIONS

For more information

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