

White Pines Children's Tuition Bursary

Application Form for 2014-15

Applicant's Name _____ Age _____

Parent/ Guardian's Name(s) _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Has the applicant had any previous martial arts experience? Yes No

If so, please describe: _____

Does the applicant have a dogi (uniform) for practice? Yes No

How did you hear about aikido? _____

Do you have other sources of funding to support this child's training? _____

Amount or percentage of annual tuition requested: _____

In addition to completing this form, please include the following:

✓ **Demonstration of financial need:**

All applications, including financial information, will be kept strictly confidential by White Pines Aikido Association

Net Income (Line 236) of family tax return 2013 \$ _____

OR Letter of reference from a professional confirming financial need;

OR Current family budget

✓ **Child's expression of interest in aikido:**

Please include a written paragraph from the child, explaining why he or she is interested in aikido.

Prompting questions for kids include 'What do you like about the idea of practicing aikido?' 'How will aikido benefit you?' 'What do you know about aikido?' etc. Alternatively, an expression of interest may take the form of a painting, a poem or song, a puppet show, or use other types of media.

I (parent/guardian of applicant) understand the terms of the bursary and dojo expectations.

I agree to meet these to the best of my ability.

Signature X _____ Date of application _____

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Information Sheet

The *Children's Tuition Bursary* is an initiative of White Pines Dojo to provide tuition assistance for children who could not otherwise participate in aikido training. Community support has generously been granted by the RDCK District of Area H, Slocan Village, and the Columbia Basin Trust. Our aim is provide up to 70% of annual tuition costs to qualified applicants.

Application Due: October 15th, 2014

Applications may be emailed to info@whitepinesdojo.com or dropped off in person at the dojo.

All applicant information will be held in strict confidentiality by White Pines Aikido Association.

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Phone: (250) 355-0009 Web: www.whitepinesdojo.com

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Terms of Bursary:

- Commitment of one year (2014-15) training, including three seminars.
- Payment of bursary recipient's portion of annual tuition up front (ie. in first term of attendance).

White Pines Dojo expectations:

Aikido training is a practice of self-discipline. It is our belief that students are dojo community members and have a responsibility to contribute to the operation of the dojo to the best of their abilities. As such, we have expectations surrounding etiquette, cleanliness, and participation.

Basic dojo expectations for parents and students:

- ❖ Arrive with enough time to change and be ready before class begins (usually 15 min).
- ❖ Please remove hats and take your shoes off outside, before stepping into the dojo.
- ❖ When entering the dojo (through the curtains), bow to the front of the room. This is not a religious bow, but a show of respect for the room where we practice, and the founder of aikido, O'Sensei. Your child will show you how to do this.
- ❖ Participate & Stay informed. From time to time we hold fund-raisers and host gasshukus (seminars) for intensive practice and rank-testing. In addition to student participation, we will post sign-up sheets for parent volunteers/chaperones for events which require adult supervision or help.
Your assistance makes a difference toward the quality of activities we can provide!
We do our best to keep our students informed through announcements in class, updating our website, and printed newsletters. Please speak to instructors if you need any information.

Children's Dojo Fees for the 2014-15 year:

\$100/ Term (Fall, Winter & Spring= \$300)

\$35/ One day Gassuku- Fall & Winter Terms

\$90/ 2 day Summer Gasshuku including sleep over! (\$160 for all three seminars)

\$40 for Dogi (uniform). This is an approximation. Please note that uniform costs for kids vary by size.