



LEARN TO CODE AND CHANGE THE WORLD THIS SUMMER !

No experience required. Free to apply, free to attend,
and stipends for qualifying students!

SUMMER STIPEND

Are you a 10th-11th grade student applying for our Summer Immersion Program? We are offering **stipends up to \$1,400** to cover transportation or living expenses for qualified students.

Frequently Asked Questions:

WHAT IS THE SUMMER IMMERSION PROGRAM SUMMER STIPEND?

The Summer Stipend Award provides financial support to qualified Summer Immersion Program students. The award is intended to cover transportation and/or living expenses, or to support students who might otherwise earn a summer income. The Summer Stipend is need-based, and the amount awarded will vary based on student circumstance. Qualified recipients will receive a sum between \$300 and \$1400. The Summer Stipend application is open to all eligible students, regardless of immigration status.

HOW DO I APPLY FOR THE SUMMER STIPEND?

- Summer Immersion Program applicants can apply for the Summer Stipend **within the main program application**: www.girlswhocode.com/sipapply.
- Towards the end of the application, you'll have the option to provide some additional information to apply for the Stipend. The Stipend section of the application only takes about **10 minutes**, but it will require some insight into your family's financial circumstances, so we recommend completing that section with a parent or guardian. (You can always save the application and return at a later time if you need help.)
- The Summer Stipend section of the application has the

same deadlines as the main Summer Immersion Program application. Applicants applying for Early Acceptance must complete the main application and the supplemental stipend section by **February 15**. Regular Acceptance applications must be completed by **March 15**.

WHEN WILL APPLICANTS BE NOTIFIED IF THEY RECEIVED A SUMMER STIPEND?

Early Acceptance applicants will be notified by **mid-March** about their Summer Immersion Program placement and their Summer Stipend status.
Regular Acceptance applicants will be notified by **mid-April** about their Summer Immersion Program placement and their Summer Stipend status. Applicants will be notified **via email**.

WHAT IS THE AMOUNT OF THE SUMMER STIPEND?

You can apply online at www.girlswhocode.com/sipapply. Early acceptance applications are due **February 15, 2019 at 11:59 p.m. PST**, with the general application closing on **March 15, 2019 at 11:59 p.m. PST**.

HOW MUCH DOES THE SUMMER IMMERSION PROGRAM COST?

The Summer Stipend is need-based; the amount awarded will vary based on a number of factors, such as geographic region, household income, and family size.

Frequently Asked Questions (Cont'):

Qualified recipients will be awarded a sum between \$300 and \$1400.

CAN APPLICANTS NEGOTIATE THE AMOUNT AWARDED?

No. All stipend amount decisions are final.

HOW WILL APPLICANTS RECEIVE THE SUMMER STIPEND?

Recipients will receive the Summer Stipend via check. The check will be made out to the applicant and mailed to the mailing address provided on the application; for this reason, it's critical that all the information provided on the application is correct. Any incorrect names or addresses will result in serious delay issuing the award.

Please note that checks will not be re-issued in a name other than what is provided in the application.

WHEN WILL THE SUMMER STIPEND BE AWARDED?

Stipends are dispersed on a rolling basis beginning the second week of programming. Stipend checks are issued to the applicant and sent to the mailing address provided on the application.

Checks must be cashed within 30 days of the issue date. There will be no checks reissued for students who attempt to cash their stipend past the 30-day window. Please note that if

you choose to terminate your enrollment prior to the completion of the program, any stipend disbursement you receive may be voided and canceled.

WHAT CAN THE SUMMER STIPEND BE USED FOR?

Applicants can use the Summer Stipend for expenses like transportation, food, and to offset any other expenses incurred during the 7 weeks of the Summer Immersion Program.

WILL GIRLS WHO CODE PROVIDE HOUSING FOR THE SUMMER IMMERSION PROGRAM?

No, we do not provide housing. The Summer Immersion Program is a day program and students should only apply to locations they know they can reach each day. Students can use a portion or all of their Summer Stipend to support with living costs if they are eligible.

IS THE SUMMER STIPEND TAXABLE?

No. In the United States, scholarship funds used exclusively for the payment of tuition or textbooks are normally not taxable. The stipend recipient is responsible for taxes, if any, that may be assessed against their award. We recommend consulting your tax adviser for more guidance. You may also consult IRS Publication 970 for further information.



**APPLICATIONS OPEN NOW FOR SUMMER 2019.
LEARN MORE AT girlswhocode.com**

Early acceptance deadline is February 15, 2019. Application closes March 15, 2019.

** Stipends of up to \$1400 are available to cover transportation, living expenses, and more for qualified students. The content of these materials does not reflect the endorsement, sponsorship, position or expression of the Plano Independent School District.*