



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 \$1,200 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 \$350 and \$1,200. The Summer Stipend 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 **after they submit the main program application** at www.girlswhocode.com/sipapply. Once you log into the application system again after submitting your application, you'll see a second application called "Summer Stipend Application."
- 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 this 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 14** in order to receive a Stipend decision along with their acceptance. Regular Acceptance applications must be completed by **March 20**.

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

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

WHAT IS THE AMOUNT OF THE SUMMER STIPEND?

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.

Qualified recipients will be awarded a sum between \$350 and \$1,200.

CAN APPLICANTS NEGOTIATE THE AMOUNT AWARDED?

No. All stipend amount decisions are final.

Frequently Asked Questions (Cont’):

HOW WILL APPLICANTS RECEIVE THE SUMMER STIPEND?

Recipients will receive the Summer Stipend via personal check. The check will be made out to the stipend recipient the applicant noted on their application 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 a serious delay issuing the award.

Please note that checks will not be reissued using the same mailing address. Applicants will need to provide new or additional information (i.e. apartment number).

WHEN WILL THE SUMMER STIPEND BE AWARDED?

Stipends are dispersed on a rolling basis beginning the second week of programming. Stipend checks are issued and sent to the mailing address provided on the application. Checks must be cashed within 90 days of the issue date. There will be no checks reissued for students who attempt to cash their stipend past the 90-day window. Please note that if you choose to terminate your enrollment prior to the completion of the program, any stipend disbursement you receive will 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.

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.

HOW MUCH DOES THE SUMMER IMMERSION PROGRAM COST?

NOTHING! Our Summer Immersion Programs are free for all participants. Girls Who Code provides students with lunch each day of the program, as well as all required tools (including computers).

**APPLICATIONS OPEN NOW FOR SUMMER 2020.
LEARN MORE AT girlswhocode.com**

Early acceptance deadline is February 14th, 2020. Application closes March 20th, 2020.