# Frequently Asked Questions

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This information sheet will hopefully answer most of your questions.
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1. **Q: Is this $1,000 grant available every year for my child(ren)?**
   A: The One Happy Camper grant of $1,000 is a *one-time only* financial incentive to encourage Jewish children / youth to attend an overnight Jewish summer camp.

2. **Q: Is the grant based on financial need?**
   A: The grant is not based on financial need. Rather, it is based on the following eligibility criteria:
   - If you have never attended a Jewish camp before,
   - If you are currently not in an immersive Jewish environment (Jewish day school),
   - You must attend camp session for a minimum of 19 days,
   - You are interested in attending one of the camps on the Foundation for Jewish Camps eligibility list. For a detailed list, please visit: www.onehappycamper.org.

3. **Q: Will receiving the One Happy Camper Incentive Grant affect my Integrated Bursary Program (IBP) application?**
   A: There will be on-going communication between the Calgary Jewish Federation and the IBP committee. Thus, when eligible campers receive funds from the One Happy Camper grant, the IBP committee will be notified. Applicants to the IBP who seem to be eligible for the One Happy Camper Incentive Program will be encouraged to apply.

4. **Q: Why are Jewish day-school children not eligible for this campership incentive program?**
   A: The One Happy Camper Incentive Program is purely an Outreach initiative, aimed at engaging children and youth who do not benefit from an immersive Jewish educational experience. In an effort to create a viable point of entry into Jewish communal life, One Happy Camper provides the incentive for a family to choose an informal Jewish education opportunity.

5. **Q: What other financial support systems are in place to help Jewish day school children attend overnight Jewish summer camp?**
   A: Calgary Jewish Federation is pleased to provide financial support to families and children via the Integrated Bursary Program. If your family is in need of financial support to help your child(ren) attend overnight Jewish summer camp, please contact the CJF at 403-444-3152 or e-mail dpowers@jewishcalgary.org or visit our community website at www.jewishcalgary.org. All applications are strictly confidential.

6. **Q: Who is paying for the $1,000 grant?**
   A: Calgary Jewish Federation has developed a relationship with the U.S. based not-for-profit organization, the Foundation for Jewish Camp. This organization promotes overnight Jewish summer camps as a primary site for Jewish engagement. An anonymous community donor in Calgary has provided the seed money for this initiative and pays $625 per grant while the Foundation for Jewish Camp contributes $375.

7. **Q: Where precisely does the $1,000 grant money go?**
   A: The $1,000 grant money is transferred directly to the overnight Jewish summer camp.

8. **Q: Is this funding only available for Camp BB-Riback?**
   A: Calgary Jewish Federation encourages families to consider our community's overnight Jewish camp, Camp BB-Riback. Our community supports the camp in numerous ways and Camp BB-Riback has a venerable history of developing the youth of Calgary. The One Happy Camper Incentive Program does permit attendance at any approved Canadian overnight Jewish summer camp. Special consideration will be made on a case-by-case basis for those who have a special need and wish, instead, to register with an American camp. For more information about "which" camps are eligible, please visit www.onehappycamper.org. For specific requests, please contact jewishcamps@jewishcalgary.org.

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