

The Terry Fear Memorial Educator Scholarship CANDLES AUSCHWITZ 2022 TRIP



CANDLES Holocaust Museum and Education Center is pleased to announce the availability of the Terry Fear Memorial Teacher Scholarship for the upcoming Auschwitz 2022 trip.

This is the 14th year that CANDLES has offered this opportunity to individuals who help area youth, and their communities learn about the Holocaust, prevent prejudice, and spread the idea of “Tikkun Olam” or “repair the world”.

Auschwitz Trip June 18 – 26, 2022

The CANDLES Auschwitz trip offers individuals the valuable learning experience of traveling to Auschwitz to hear Eva Kor’s extraordinary journey through her audio tour, “A Journey through Auschwitz”, learn the history of the authentic sites with professional guides, and become a witness to the healing power of forgiveness in order to be the change that the world needs.

This scholarship is open to individuals who have worked as licensed teachers including guidance counselors and library/media specialists, principals and assistant principals, and school resource officers in public and private school since at least August of 2017. Also eligible is any individual who works with youth or adults in a setting where teaching Holocaust education can change a life. Former scholarship recipients are not eligible to reapply until three years after the award was given, and former recipients are not given special consideration for selection. CANDLES offers this support as a way to encourage personal and professional growth, as well as contribute to overall student and public understanding of the value of learning lessons of the Holocaust to create kinder and more equitable communities for all people.

CANDLES will award three (3) scholarships. The first-place winner will receive \$2,000, the second-place winner \$1,500, and the third-place winner \$1,000, submitted as outlined on the following pages. Application materials will be judged on clarity, substance, and overall appeal. Preference will be given to those that propose meaningful and creative ways to educate students and/or the general public and demonstrate an understanding of the relevance of Holocaust education. Proposals that integrate multiple subjects/disciplines are encouraged.



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APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

PLEASE SUBMIT ONE COMPLETE COPY OF ALL YOUR MATERIALS.

There is no specific application format. However, you should prepare your materials using a font size of 11 or 12 points. Answers to items 2-7 should not exceed three single-spaced pages total. Your description should convince the committee of your commitment to use this experience to educate others and promote CANDLES Holocaust Museum and Education Center as a resource for Holocaust education.

1) PERSONAL INFORMATION

Use the provided form to submit your personal information. If more space is needed, you may recreate this form to accommodate the length of your information. All parts must be completed; if not possible, please provide an explanation.

2) BRIEFLY DESCRIBE YOUR LEVEL OF KNOWLEDGE ABOUT THE HOLOCAUST AND HOLOCAUST EDUCATION

3) WHY IS YOUR PARTICIPATION IMPORTANT FOR THE POPULATION YOU SERVE?

Please explain how your participation will benefit/impact the population you seek to educate.

4) PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL GOALS

Please describe what you hope to gain personally and professionally from your participation.

5) EDUCATION

Please explain how you will use this experience in a classroom, workshop, or informational setting. How will you educate others?

6) DOCUMENTATION/PRESENTATION OF MATERIAL

Use this section to elaborate on the ways you will document and share your Auschwitz experience with students, parents, colleagues, or the general public. This documentation is something you will later share with CANDLES senior staff and should include the impact of this trip on your personal beliefs and/or outlook.

7) BENEFIT TO CANDLES

Please suggest how CANDLES Holocaust Museum and Education Center and its visitors will benefit from your participation in this trip. What will you “give back”?

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

Your materials must include at least three signed letters of recommendation from persons who can speak for your general ability and capacity to educate others. It is realistic to assume that these individuals are from organizations that will benefit from your experience at Auschwitz. Recommendations from CANDLES staff or members of CANDLES board of directors are not accepted.

COMMITMENT TO CANDLES*

1) Scholarship recipients are required to submit a five-minute video presentation promoting and sharing why this trip was meaningful to them and why others should consider attending. This requirement should be completed and submitted to CANDLES no later than six months after trip completion.

2) Scholarship recipients will also be required to write a summary that reflects his/her utilization of their trip experience to a classroom, workshop, or special presentation setting. Participant should include data collected post implementation of lessons and/or units that reflect on the impact students feel of the importance of learning about the Holocaust. This requirement should be completed and submitted to CANDLES no later than one-year after trip completion.

SELECTION PROCEDURE AND SCHEDULE

1) **Without exception**, applications must be postmarked or hand-delivered to CANDLES by 4:00 p.m. EST on Friday, November 12, 2021. An impartial panel will review proposals. No panel member will be allowed to review or vote on a proposal of a friend, relative, colleague, or acquaintance.

2) Recipients will be notified by Friday, December 3, 2021 and should accept or decline the award by Friday, December 10. You should apply for your passport at this time if you do not already possess one. The cost of obtaining a passport is not included in your scholarship award. CANDLES office must have your passport copy in hand by March 12, 2021.

PAYMENT REQUIREMENTS/SCHEDULE

1) A nonrefundable deposit of \$600 will be required by January 7, 2022. This will be applied to the balance remaining after scholarship funds are distributed. Payments may be made with cash, check, money order, debit card, Visa or Mastercard. All payments with credit or debit card will incur a 3% fee.

2) Upon being chosen to receive a CANDLES educator scholarship, the award amount will be applied as a payment to your trip account.

3) Final payment of balance owed is due on or before March 11, 2022.

OTHER

Individuals will be responsible for airfare/transportation from their original destination (other than Terre Haute, IN) to Chicago/O'Hare, trip insurance (if applicable), single room supplement (if applicable), and any gift shop merchandise. All monies will be applied directly through CANDLES only, and no reimbursements of any kind will be allocated.

Participation in all scheduled activities is expected.

APPLICATION SUBMISSION

Please mail a complete copy of all application materials, including the information page and attachments, to:

CANDLES Holocaust Museum and Education Center
Leah Simpson, Education Director
1532 South Third Street
Terre Haute, IN 47802

*By submitting an application, you are agreeing to the terms set forth and are expected to complete the requirements as specified.

Failure to comply with these requirements will indicate your willingness to either forfeit your scholarship award or repay the amount awarded.

Terry Fear was a longtime volunteer, docent, board member, and friend of CANDLES. As a former educator, Terry's participation came from a desire to teach, understand, and learn from others despite any differences in culture or religious upbringing.

Personal Information

Name:

Age:

Address:

Phone Number:

Email Address:

School Corp and School Name (If Applicable):

What is your profession? Briefly describe what you do and how you are therefore eligible for this scholarship.

How did you hear about CANDLES?

How did you hear about the Annual Auschwitz Trip and this scholarship?

Have you ever visited CANDLES Holocaust Museum and Education Center?

Have you ever been on any other trips or participated in any programs with CANDLES?