

TEEN SUMMER PROGRAM 2025 Frequently Asked Questions [FAQs]

1. What is the TSP about?

The Teen Summer Program is designed to give you a unique opportunity to learn about the work performed by the World Bank Group (WBG), the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), through interaction with experts and staff members from each of the three organizations. While the format normally remains constant, the actual areas covered in the content may vary from year to year.

The three objectives of the Teen Summer Program are:

- Foster the awareness of being a Global Citizen
- Better knowledge and understanding of the three multilateral organizations
- Personal development: cross-cultural skills, communication, collaboration, and selfawareness

2. What are the basic eligibility criteria to be able to participate in the program?

In order to apply for the program, you must first meet the following basic criteria i.e.

- Be 16, 17 or 18 years old by July 1, 2025
- Must be in high school
- Cannot be a college/university student
- Must be a son or daughter of a WBG, IMF or IDB staff member, who is registered in the corresponding Family Association Applicants are permitted to submit only one application to the Teen Summer Program (TSP). If both parents are employed at different organizations (WBG, IMF, or IDB), the applicant must choose one Family Association, WBGFN, IMFFA, or IDBFA, through which to apply. Applications submitted in more than one institution will be disqualified.
- Must have an intermediate level of oral and written English proficiency
- Must be committed to attend the entire program from Monday, June 23rd to Friday, July 11th, 2025

3. How do I apply for the 2025 Teen Summer Program?

Please visit our website at https://www.wbfn.org/event/teen-summer-program and submit your application through the application link which will be open from 12 noon EST February 13th to 12 noon EST February 27th 2025. All applicants will be notified of the status of their application in March.

4. My family does not live in the Washington Metro area. Can I participate in the program?

Yes, you can participate in the program as long as you fulfill the requirements outlined above. However, your parents will need to provide for all your expenses in addition to the program fee. This will include travel to Washington DC along with boarding and lodging, transport, and any other miscellaneous expenses that you may have while attending the program.

If you live outside the United States, you are responsible for obtaining necessary travel documents, including an entry visa. Check the website of the US Embassy in your country for more information regarding the visa application process, especially the time frame involved.

5. My father/mother is a WBG, IMF or IDB staff member, but he/she is not currently registered in the corresponding Family Association. Can I still apply/participate?

Yes, you can still apply. However, parent must be registered at the time of application. They need to contact the corresponding Family Association for registration details since each one has different procedures. The three websites are as follows:

WBGFN: http://www.wbfn.org/user/mfn
IMFFA: https://www.imffa.org/membership
IDBFA: http://iadbfamilyassociation.org/about

6. How many applicants will be selected for the 2025 Teen Summer Program?

The program can accommodate a maximum of 40 participants. The Teen Summer Program Committee will review and evaluate all applications after which candidates will be selected for an interview. Therefore, meeting only basic eligibility criteria does not guarantee either selection for an interview and/or admission on to the program. All candidates who are finally accepted will be notified in April 2025.

7. Can I participate in 2025 TSP if I've already participated in the program earlier?

No, if you already participated in any previous TSP, you cannot participate again.

8. Can I reapply this year for TSP 2025 even though I was unsuccessful in previous years?

Yes, you are welcome to reapply this year even if you were not successful earlier. However, you must still fulfill all the basic eligibility criteria as stated under FAQ No 2. Please check your age/date of birth with the eligibility criteria very carefully to be sure you still qualify.

9. Is attendance mandatory during the three weeks of the program?

Yes, attendance is mandatory during the three weeks of the program i.e. between **Monday, June 23**rd **and Friday, July 11**th **between 9am and 4pm**. No absence will be accepted other than force majeure. If you are absent without prior 'valid reason' this will result in withholding the end of the program certificate. All excused absences must be in writing from the parent.

10. Are there any registration fees and when is the payment due?

There is a non-refundable, registration fee of US\$300 - per participant. It becomes due after you have been notified of acceptance into the program and needs to be paid **no later than noon**April 24th EST.

11. What is the refund policy if I cannot attend the program but my fee has already been paid? There is no refund once the payment is received.

12. What expenses will I have during the program?

In addition to the registration fee of US\$300, - you will need to provide for most of your meals and all your transport costs each day to get to the WBG, IMF and IDB headquarters in DC. Only on some days will breakfast or lunch be provided. You will be notified in advance when this is to happen. Candidates from other parts of the US or from abroad will need to arrange and pay for all travel, boarding and lodging expenses in addition to the ones mentioned above.

13. If I want to know something that is not included here, where should I send my inquiry?

For queries or clarification, please email your designated family association at:

WBGFN: <u>Teensummerprogram@worldbank.org</u>

IDBFA: familya@iadb.org
IMFFA: imffa@imf.org