



TSP 2026 Frequently Asked Questions

1. What is the Teen Summer Program (TSP)?

The Teen Summer Program offers a unique opportunity to learn about the work of the World Bank Group (WBG), International Monetary Fund (IMF), and Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) through direct interaction with experts and staff from these institutions. While the program format remains largely consistent each year, specific content areas may vary.

The TSP has three main objectives:

- **Strengthen global citizenship:** Foster the awareness of being a Global Citizen and a contributing member of the global community.
- **Deepen institutional understanding:** Introduce participants to the missions, operations, and global impact of the WBG, IMF, and IDB.
- **Support personal growth and career readiness:** Build leadership, teamwork, critical-thinking, and cross-cultural skills, while providing exposure to future learning and career pathways.

2. Eligibility Criteria

To apply, you must meet all of the following requirements:

- Be 16, 17, or 18 years old by July 1, 2026.
- Be enrolled in high school (not in college or university).
- Be a son or daughter of a WBG, IMF, or IDB staff member, with at least one parent registered in the corresponding family association (WBFN, IMFFA, or IDBFA).
- If both parents work for different organizations, you must choose one family association through which to apply. Only one application is allowed; applications submitted to more than one organization will be disqualified.
- Have at least an intermediate level of spoken and written English.
- Commit to attending the entire program, Monday, June 22 to Thursday, July 9, 2026, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. each day.

3. Application Process

Submit your application online at <https://www.wbfn.org/event/teen-summer-program> between 12:00 noon EST on February 19 and 12:00 noon EST on February 2, 2026. All applicants will be notified of their application status in March 2026.

4. Participation from Outside the Washington, DC Area

Yes, you may participate if you meet all eligibility requirements. However, your parents must cover all expenses beyond the program fee, including travel to Washington, DC; lodging and meals; transportation; and any incidental costs. Applicants living outside the United States are responsible for obtaining all necessary travel documents, including an entry visa. Please consult the U.S. Embassy in your country for visa requirements and processing times.

5. Parent Registration in Family Association

If your parent is not currently registered in the relevant family association, you may still apply if the parent registers before the application deadline.

For registration details, visit:

- WBFN: <http://www.wbfn.org/user/mfn>
- IMFFA: <https://www.imffa.org/membership>
- IDBFA: <http://iadbfamilyassociation.org/about>

6. Selection and Notification

The program accommodates a maximum of 48 participants. Meeting eligibility criteria does not guarantee an interview or admission. Applications are reviewed and evaluated, after which candidates are selected for an interview. Final acceptance notifications will be sent in March 2026.

7. Repeat Applications

- Previous Participants – If you have already participated in any TSP, you are not eligible to apply again.
- Prior Applicants – If you applied in a previous year but were not selected, you may reapply for 2026 if you continue to meet all eligibility criteria.

8. Attendance

Full attendance is mandatory from June 22 to July 9, 2026, 9:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m. daily. Absences are permitted only for valid, documented reasons (force majeure). Unexcused absences will result in withholding of the completion certificate. All excused absences require a written parental request.

9. Program Fees and Payment

- Fee: A non-refundable registration fee of US\$350 per participant.
- Payment Deadline: No later than 12:00 noon EST on March 23, 2026, after acceptance notification.

Refund Policy: Fees are non-refundable once payment is received.

10. Additional Expenses

Participants are responsible for most daily meals and local transportation to WBG, IMF, and IDB headquarters in Washington, DC. Breakfast or lunch will be provided only on specific days, with advance notice. Applicants from outside the DC area must also cover travel, lodging, and all related expenses.

11. Questions or Additional Information

For further inquiries, please email your designated family association:

- WBGFN: teensummerprogram@worldbank.org
- IMFFA: imffa@imf.org
- IDBFA: familia@iadb.org