



**BAHAMAS MARINE ECOCENTRE**  
EDUCATION, RESEARCH & ART  
FOSTERING ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP



## **APPLICATION FOR THE ALF THOMPSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

**Student's Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**For 15 Aug – 15 Sept, 2017**

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Name \_\_\_\_\_ DOB (dd/mm/yyyy) \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address - P.O.Box \_\_\_\_\_ Town/ Family Island \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Tel \_\_\_\_\_

Current year in School \_\_\_\_\_ Present School \_\_\_\_\_

Schools attended previous four years \_\_\_\_\_

Are you currently working, if so where and for how long? \_\_\_\_\_

#### EMERGENCY CONTACT

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Home Tel \_\_\_\_\_ Work Tel \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

#### Applicants must also submit

- 1) A cover letter (500-800 words) indicating your areas of interest, experience (if any) in the preferred field of internship study, why/how you would benefit from this program, and future goals;
- 2) Police record certificate not more than two months old;
- 3) Copy of your valid driver's license;
- 4) Copy of the first two pages of your Bahamian passport or other proof of citizenship;
- 5) A copy of your high school or college transcript, covering most recent two years of education; and
- 6) At least two letters of recommendation, one of which must come from a school principal, college professor, or similar educational authority or from your boss.

#### Letters of recommendation should include

- Length of time the referee has known the applicant and in what capacity;
- Student ranking compared with peers (top 5%, top 10%, top quarter, middle, lower quarter); and
- Comments on the applicant's strengths or weaknesses in the following:
  - Leadership skills
  - Ability to work independently
  - Maturity
  - Sense of responsibility
  - Intellectual curiosity
  - Drive to excel and fulfill his/her potential

**HEALTH STATUS:**

**A.** Ability to withstand environmental hazards (i.e. can you deal with insects, heat, cold etc?)

**B.** Food preferences-vegetarian, allergies, dislikes, etc:

**C.** Do you smoke?

**D.** Do you have any medical conditions, medications you take or allergies to medications?

**E.** Allergies to pets (Please note we have 3 dogs that spend each night inside the house/living quarters):

**BOATING SKILLS** (i.e. have you been on boats before or driven one):

**WATER SKILLS** (i.e. are you proficient at swimming? Can you spend >1hr in water? ):

**OTHER SKILLS OR HOBBIES:**

**DOMESTIC and HANDY SKILLS:** (i.e. cooking, cleaning, organizing, carpentry, plumbing, painting, electrical, fiber glassing, concrete work. How proficient in any?)

**MECHANICAL SKILLS:** (Such as pumps, engines, welding, etc)

**COMPUTER SKILLS:** (i.e. use office: word, excel, data bases etc)