

Richard & Mirth Thatcher Education Fund Application

2025-2026 School Year

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Friends of Cape Henlopen State Park



Mission: The Friends of Cape Henlopen State Park (FOCHSP) offers financial support to school groups participating in CHSP Nature Center programs that promote protection and wise management of the Park's diverse resources. Funds for bussing and program fees are limited and not guaranteed.

Requirements:

Applications must be submitted **at least 1 month prior** to the proposed trip date, and no later than **May 1, 2026**.

All groups must be from schools based in Delaware.

Financial support for bussing is limited to \$600 for each application.

Financial support for program fees is limited to \$400 for each application. (Title 1 schools only)

Applicants must **first** work with Park Nature Center Manager to arrange a date, a proposed program and the facilities required. **Please complete all sections of the application below.**

Teacher/Leader			
Email		Phone	
School		District/Charter	
School Mailing Address			
City		State DE	Zip
Is the school on the DDOE Title 1 list ?		Program requested	
Yes No			
Grade level(s)		# of students	
# of chaperones		# of groups	
Proposed date(s)		Expected arrival time	

Provide a breakdown of the sources of funds required for this visit.

Funds needed for	Thatcher Fund Request	Contributions by school/students	Total
Bussing (\$600 max.)			
Program (\$400 max.) (Title 1 only)			
Reason for requesting funds (use an attachment if needed)			
Teacher/Leader Signature:			Date

After arranging the trip with Park Management, submit fund requests to:
Friends of Cape Henlopen State Park
15099 Cape Henlopen Dr.
Lewes, DE 19958