

Step Up 15 Camp Delegates

Thank you for your interest in applying for a CISV Step Up Camp for the **summer of 2025** to **Guadalajara, Mexico (C-2025-021)** from **July 4th to July 26th, 2025!** The program duration is roughly 23 days. If selected, you will be traveling with a leader and three other age related delegates. Please read the following link for a short description of the program. <https://cisv.org/programmes/step-up/>

Age requirements for Step Up camp: **Participants should have a birthday between September 1, 2009 to August 31, 2010. There is a little flexibility with age, please email us if your age is on the border.**

Application and reference deadline is **January 5th, 2025.**

DELEGATES APPLICATION STEPS:

- [Delegate Intake Form](#)
- [Youth Delegate Application Form](#)
- [Youth Delegate Reference Form](#): Email the Youth Delegate reference form to two people who know you well. One of them should be your teacher.
- [Parent/Guardian Delegate Application Supplement](#)
- [Parent/Guardian Volunteer Commitment Form](#): Volunteer in chapter activities: 24 hours per year for 2 years OR contribute \$1000/year for 2 years.
- Attend selection day and interview for a full day of programming **TBA** at the **TBA**. (Backup storm date: TBA)
- Parent/guardian attend a mandatory orientation session **TBA** at the **TBA**. (Backup storm date: TBA)
- Pay \$20 application fee online, via our [website donation page](#) -- please choose Maine from the drop down list and write Application fee for [delegates name] in the Notes/Comments section at bottom of online form. Note: the drop down default is to CISV USA.
- Pay \$75 family membership fee via [membership page](#) (there is scholarship info if unable to pay).
- [CISV International Covid Policy](#) (for your review)

Notification of acceptance will be sent out at the end of January.

RESPONSIBILITIES IF SELECTED:

1. Attend Maine Mini Camp (MMC) at **the end of April 2025 TBD.**
2. Commit to 4-5 spring planning sessions with your delegation to prepare for your Step Up Camp.
3. The program cost is **estimated** to be **\$1600**, not including travel fees. Travel costs will be travel for delegate and 1/4 of the leader's travel cost. *Final cost will be available at the parent orientation.*
4. If the applicant decides to accept, a nonrefundable deposit of **\$500 is due 2/12/25**, in order to secure the delegate's spot. The remaining balance is due 5/5/25. If the program is canceled or if you have to cancel prior to 5/5/25, all but \$200 will be refunded. If you cancel after 5/5/24, the payment will not be reimbursed unless a new delegate is found as a replacement.
5. Support all other costs of preparation such as passport, national costume, host family gift, spending money, and emergency money (to be returned if not used).
6. Fill out all appropriate health and legal forms on MyCISV and submit your passport information for the travel coordinator.
7. Reflect and share your experience with the greater CISV Maine community, including presenting about your experience at the 2025 Fall Annual Meeting and Showcase (beginning of Nov. 2025).

Note: Please direct any questions to Morgan Donovan Jones, Application Chair (maine-applicationchair@cisvusa.org). We want to make sure we can support delegates through the programming. Please email us at the email above if you need any accommodations. Additionally, we have scholarship funds available, please contact Morgan with any questions.

Thank You,
CISV Maine Chapter