



## Apprentice Program Application 2023-2024

Lowell's Boat Shop is offering after-school apprenticeships for students in grades 9 through 12. Youth enrolled in this after-school program work alongside the Boat Shop's experienced staff to learn the art and skills of traditional boatbuilding as practiced at the Shop for hundreds of years. Students need not have prior woodworking experience -- though it is a plus -- but they must display drive, dedication and interest, and be willing to work on projects assigned throughout the school year. Please note: the Program is competitive, and requires a commitment to the Shop, the staff and fellow Apprentices.

Apprentices are accepted in the Fall (usually late September/early October); the program will start on October 10, and meets (except for school vacation weeks and snow days) through the end of the school year. Once accepted, Apprentices are expected to be at Lowell's Boat Shop on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays (at least two of the three days) from 3-5:30. We do our best to accommodate students' sports, work, and activities schedules, but would like to know of any commitments beforehand. A trial period of about a month helps to ensure expectations are being met on all sides, and that the new Apprentice is enjoying the work. A fee of \$175, due on acceptance, includes an LBS Membership at the Family Level (\$75) and a contribution toward daily snacks and other expenses for the full school year.

First name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell #: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of parent or guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent / Guardian Cell #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*\*IMPORTANT: Please tell us why you are interested, and why you should be selected for the program in an essay, 250-500 words (on a separate sheet of paper). Don't forget this part of the application!**

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**Please answer the following; there are no wrong answers, so please respond honestly.**

Have you ever built something with your hands? What did you make?

What books have you read in the last two years?

Briefly explain your interest in boats:

What sports/extra-curricular activities/job opportunities do you hope to participate in this year?

Are you able to commit to the Apprenticeship 2-3 days per week from 3:00/3:30 until 5:30 October through June? Y or N

What do you hope to learn/gain from this experience?

Please send completed applications, **along with the essay and a CV**, to: Lowell's Boat Shop

459 Main Street Amesbury, MA 01913 or emailed to [dorothy@lowellsboatshop.com](mailto:dorothy@lowellsboatshop.com)

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