

## **BULLDOG YOUTH ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

Bulldog Youth Athletic Association (BYAA) may grant registration fee scholarships to area youth who without this financial assistance would not be able to participate in one of the BYAA sports programs. The BYAA scholarship program focuses on providing opportunities for area youth to participate in recreational team sports because of the physical, mental, and character-training benefits these programs can provide. Scholarships are only available to cover the cost of registration for recreational teams and are not available to cover any additional costs (equipment, tournaments, tournament uniforms, etc.).

Scholarship requests must be submitted to the BYAA no later than two (2) weeks prior to the regular registration deadline. Scholarships will not be awarded until one (1) week prior to the registration deadline. The scholarship committee, which includes the BYAA Board Sport Delegate, Director, and President, will consider all complete applications received by the application deadline. The amount of the scholarship awarded (if any) may be a partial or full scholarship depending on the number of applicants, and the amount of scholarship funds available. Scholarships are awarded for one (1) sport per registrant and are only valued for one (1) sport at a time, therefore, individuals must reapply for each sport and year they are requesting assistance.

BYAA is a non-profit organization with a very limited amount of funding available for scholarship athletes. No guarantee of assistance is implied in the application.

### **Requirements for eligibility:**

- Athlete must be age 18 or younger and must reside within the BYAA territory.
- Commitment to attend a minimum of 80% of scheduled practices and games.
- Participation by an adult family member in at least eight (8) hours of voluntary service to BYAA during the sport season. Volunteer work will be under the direction of the BYAA Board sport delegate, and can include participating in fund-raisers, working in concession stands, field work (picking up trash, striping fields) or other duties as assigned by BYAA Board Sport Delegate.
- Application must be completed by a parent, guardian, or head of household, with all requested information provided. Incomplete applications will not be considered. The application is on the following page.

### **Application Process:**

- Complete the BYAA Scholarship Application Form, which must be signed by a parent/guardian.
- Mail application to address listed on the bottom of the application prior to the application deadline.
- Include with application proof of current income for all household members. Examples Include:
  - 1 Month of current consecutive pay stubs (4 weekly, 3 bi-weekly, or 2 bi-monthly paystubs).
  - Printout from Social Security Administration.
  - Most recent completed tax return.
  - Notarized letter stating that applicant has no income.
- Scholarship application approval will be based on verification of financial need.
- Scholarships will be provided on a first-come, funding and space available basis.

Consideration will be given to eligible youth meeting one or more of the criteria below. The more information you can provide us the better able we will be to determine hardship. A written request is required.

- Receiving assistance from programs such as: Food Stamps, Medicaid, SSI, foster Care, WIC, etc. (Must provide written documentation of participation in these programs)
- Written recommendation by school representatives, social services representatives, family, or friend of the family.
- Living in a single parent home.
- Member of a multi-child family.
- Documentation demonstrating an immediate financial hardship.

*Bulldog Youth Athletic Association does not discriminate based on gender, race, class, economic status, ethnic background, sexual orientation, physical ability, or cultural and religious backgrounds.*

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**Confidentiality:** Bulldog Youth Athletic Association will use the information on the application only to decide if you child qualifies to receive a partial or full scholarship for eligible athletic activities. Confidentiality will be maintained at all times. Applicants are guaranteed that personal finances will not be discussed outside of the BYAA Scholarship Committee. Coaches, assistant coaches, or volunteer helpers will not be informed of a participant's financial or scholarship status.

**\*\*\*Please note:** Approval of a scholarship does not register the participant in the activity. You must still register the athlete in the sport desired.

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Please complete the following information, one (1) application per child.

**Athlete's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Birthdate:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Male / Female**

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State Zip

**Amount of Scholarship requested (Circle One):** Full or Partial

**Amount paid at registration:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Has athlete received scholarship from the BYAA in the past calendar year?** ( ) Yes ( ) No Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Desired sport to participate:** (Circle One)  
Spring Soccer Volleyball  
Baseball Softball Tee Ball  
Fall Soccer Flag Football Basketball

#### PARENT / GUARDIAN INFORMATION:

**Parent/Guardian Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State Zip

**Telephone:** \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ **(home)** \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ **(cell)** \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ **(work)**

**Athlete lives with:** ( ) Both Parents ( ) Mother ( ) Father ( ) Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Household Annual Income:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Does your child qualify for free or reduced school lunch?** Yes or No

Fill out this form and mail to BYAA with one or more (not including required proof of income) of the following attachments:

- Written/Request from Parent/Guardian (\*Required)
- Documentation showing receipt of assistance such as Food Stamps, Medicaid, SSI, Foster Care, WIC, etc.
- Written recommendation by school representatives, social services representatives, family, or friend of the family.
- Documentation demonstrating an immediate financial hardship.

#### Scholarship Application Deadlines

**Spring Soccer & Volleyball: January 5**

**Baseball/Softball/Tee Ball: February 15**

**Fall Soccer & Flag Football: September 5**

**Basketball: October 10**

**CONSENT TO RELEASE INFORMATION**

- I understand that my signature authorizes the Bulldog Youth Athletic Association to obtain verification of all information on this application and that additional information may be necessary for approval of this application.
- I certify that all of the information I have supplied is true and correct.
- I understand that this application does not guarantee an opening or acceptance into the sport/league desired, or a scholarship award.
- I understand that my child's participation in the scholarship program requires a commitment to attend the scheduled practices and games as outlined.
- I understand that participation by an adult family member in at least eight (8) hours of voluntary service as outlined is required for participation in the scholarship program.

**Parent/Guardian Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

All eligible applications will be reviewed two (2) weeks prior to the first registration date for each specific sport/league. Applicants will be notified of the committees decision by mail, email, or phone. Participants will be responsible for any, and all remaining balances and must pay their portion at the time of registration.

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**For Bulldog Youth Athletic Association Use Only**

Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_ Amount, if any, Awarded \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Volunteer Hours Served \_\_\_\_\_

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BYAA Board Sport Delegate

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BYAA President or Director

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