



## MRSEF Scholarship Application 2026-2027

Dear MRSEF Scholarship Applicant,

The Mission Ridge Ski Education foundation is committed to providing a means of financial assistance to MRSEF athletes for them to pursue skiing excellence. To this end, we have developed a scholarship program to offset MRSEF tuition, camps, and race expenses incurred throughout the year. At this time, MRSEF has authorized up to \$1,500.00 per year be distributed as needed to YSL athletes and up to \$3,000.00 per year to U14, U16, and FIS athletes. First year MRST athletes may apply, however, longevity with the team may be considered during the application process.

### **Scholarship Application Time Period:**

Applications will be accepted beginning **September 15, 2026**.

- Completed applications for program tuition scholarship deadline: **October 15, 2026**
- Fall Camp tuition scholarship submission deadline: **November 1, 2026**
- Summer Camp tuition scholarship submission deadline: **May 1, 2027**

### **Coaches' Discretion Scholarship Awards:**

This is available to athletes U12 and older in the program. It is based on many things such as, helpfulness on the hill, interaction and support of fellow athletes both at home and at races, general attitude, effort, race qualification (Regional Champs, Regional Project selection, Buddy Werner, etc.). This is not limited to one athlete and can go to many, or few, based on coaches' recommendations. These awards will vary in amount and may or may not be distributed in any given year depending on availability of funds in the scholarship account. As stated, this award is up to your coaches and is not something that can be applied for. It is something that is earned through hard work and dedication every day! Coaches' Discretion Scholarships are reviewed for approval/disapproval by the Scholarship Committee for uniformity and balance.

### **Use of Scholarship Funds:**

Awarded funds will be applied to the member's MRSEF account or paid to the event hosting organization. Funds are not to be paid directly to the athlete or family member nor credited to the member's account for any purpose other than that stated in the Scholarship Application. Reimbursement to members accounts for fees already paid are to be considered outside the scope of the Scholarship Program.

### **Application Review Process:**

MRSEF uses a separate, independent review panel made up of community members with a wealth of experience in competitive skiing. Parents with athletes in the program may not be part of the review board. The MRST Program Director coordinates this review and follows up with this panel and will notify the applicant & MRSEF Board President of the panel decision for each application.

### **Application Review Criteria:**

Applications are reviewed and awarded based on each applicant's performance in the following categories:

- Applicant's overall merit
- Level of athlete involvement in Mission Ridge Ski Team activities
- Level of parent involvement in Mission Ridge Ski Team programs and fundraising activities
- A coach's recommendation letter
- Thoroughness of application (incomplete applications will not be considered)

Applications will be evaluated based on performance in these categories. Significant consideration is given to the coach's recommendation letter and their observations of the applicant.

### **Scholarship applications should be sent to:**

MRSEF Scholarship Committee  
25 N Wenatchee Ave, Suite #112  
Wenatchee, WA 98801

### **Application Checklist:**

- Application Form
- Current school transcript \*
- Athlete Essay
- Acknowledgement and Signature Page
- Coach's recommendation letter \*\*

\*If you have already applied for an MRSEF scholarship for the current season and have submitted a school transcript, you do not need to submit one again.

\*\*Coach's recommendation letter will be submitted separately by the coach to the committee.

Incomplete scholarship applications will not be accepted. Mission Ridge Ski Education Foundation reserves the right to publish the names of scholarship recipients.

Sincerely,

MRSEF Scholarship Committee



## MRSEF Scholarship Application Form 2025-2026

Athlete Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Email: \_\_\_\_\_

What MRSEF volunteer activities have you supported in the past year? (check all that apply)

- Race day volunteer. Number of full days volunteered: \_\_\_\_\_
- Item donations to the Bomber Wing Auction
- Auction volunteer or Auction committee volunteer
- Team raffle participation. Did you sell your allotted tickets or provide a similar donation? **Y / N**
- Participation in annual road clean-up / mountain brush cutting
- Other activities (please elaborate) \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

How do you plan to support the team in the coming year? (Opportunities include seeking corporate sponsorships, seeking donations or donating items to the annual Bomber Wing Auction, volunteering with the auction committee or at the auction, participating in the team raffle, volunteering on race days, helping with the annual road clean-up...)

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Are you applying for scholarships for other members of your family? **Y / N** Who: \_\_\_\_\_

What are you applying for?

- Tuition
- Race Expenses (date/location) \_\_\_\_\_
- Camp Expenses (date/location) \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of scholarship request: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## **Transcript**

Please include a copy of your current school transcript with your application. A transcript is different than a report card. Transcripts demonstrate a student's academic activity over time, providing a cumulative GPA v. a report card which is specific to a given time period (quarter, trimester, semester). Please talk with your school's counselor if you are uncertain how to obtain this.

## **Athlete Essay**

Applicants should prepare a short essay for the scholarship application (500 words or less). This should address the following key points:

- Short biography of yourself
- Describe your involvement with your school and community
- Describe your level of involvement with Mission Ridge Ski Team in the past year
- Describe your passion for skiing and ski racing
- Describe how this scholarship award will help you



## MRSEF Coach Recommendation Letter

*Athletes, please allow plenty of time for your coach to complete their letter.*

What they will need from you:

- Tell them what type of scholarship you are applying for
- Pre-addressed envelope for them to return the letter directly to the Scholarship Committee

Information for Coaches to include in the letter:

- Name of applicant
- Coach's name
- Coach's phone number
- Coach's email

Coaches, you are being asked to write a letter of recommendation describing why you believe this athlete should be awarded a scholarship. Your recommendation of the athlete should be based on their performance on the hill during training, competition, or other interactions you have had with them. If this application is for a specific project or camp, please explain why you think it will benefit this athlete.

Please submit your letter directly to the MRSEF Scholarship Committee at:

25 N Wenatchee Ave. Suite 112  
Wenatchee, WA 98801



## MRSEF Scholarship Acknowledgement & Signatures

Athlete Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ USSS # (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that to the best of my knowledge, the information provided in this application is true and complete. I understand that as a recipient of a Mission Ridge Ski Education Foundation (MRSEF) Scholarship, that I am bound by the Code of Conduct of the Mission Ridge Ski Education Foundation and Mission Ridge Ski Team, and will not willfully violate this Code. That if I do willfully violate this Code that the current or future right to any scholarship may be forfeited at the discretion of the Scholarship Committee or the MRSEF Board of Directors, and that monies already provided me under this Scholarship may have to be returned to MRSEF. I acknowledge that by receiving this Scholarship I am deemed an ambassador of goodwill for the Mission Ridge Ski Team and will behave in a manner that promotes good sportsmanship<sup>0</sup> both within my team and at all events I attend.

I further acknowledge that by receiving this Scholarship, I will be involved as a volunteer with all MRSEF fundraising activities as my schedule allows and will endeavor to contribute to MRSEF fundraising activities through promoting these activities in my community, as long as I am a member of the Mission Ridge Ski Team.

I hereby release to Mission Ride Ski Education Foundation and the Mission Ridge Ski Team, any photos of my likeness for its promotional purposes as long as I remain a member of the Mission Ridge Ski Team.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent / Guardian Signature(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent / Guardian Printed Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_