



2023 DC West Youth Sports Scholarship Program & Application

DC West Youth Sports Organization (DCWYSO) may grant registration fee scholarships to youth who, without this financial assistance, would not be able to participate in our programming. The DCWYSO scholarship program focuses on providing opportunities for area youth to participate because of the physical, mental, and character-training benefits the programs can provide. Scholarships are only available to cover the cost of registration and will not cover any additional costs (uniforms, equipment, tournaments, etc).

All applications for scholarships must be received two (2) weeks prior to the registration deadline. The Board of Directors 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

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

Requirements for eligibility:

- Athlete must attend DC West School district
- Commitment to attend a minimum of 80% of scheduled practices and games
- Participation by an adult family member of 8 hours voluntary service to DCWYSO during the sport season or within 30 days/months following the season.
- Volunteer work will be under the direction of the DCWYSO Sport Director or Scholarship Director and can include participating in fundraisers, working in concession stands, field work (picking up trash, striping fields), special projects or other duties as assigned by DCWYSO.
- Application must be completed by a parent, guardian, or head of household, with all requested information provided. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Application Process:

- Complete the DCWYSO Scholarship Application form (on the following page), which must be signed by a parent/guardian **no later than two (2) weeks** prior to the regular registration deadline
- Email application to dcwys@gmail.com or mail application to PO BOX 92, Valley NE 68064.
- Scholarships will be provided on a first-come, funding and space available basis. Applicants will be notified of the committees decision by mail, email, or phone
- Scholarship consideration will be given to eligible youth based on verification of financial need meeting one or more of the hardship criteria below (Must provide documentation of participation in these programs):
 - Receiving assistance from programs such as: National School Lunch Program (Free or Reduced price meals), Food Stamps, Medicaid, SSI, foster Care, WIC, etc.
 - Written recommendation by school representatives, social services representatives, family, or friends
 - Living in a single parent home or a member of a multi-child family.
 - Documentation demonstrating an immediate financial hardship

Confidentiality: DC West Youth Organization will use the information on the application only to decide if your 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 DCWYSO Board. Coaches or instructors will not be informed of a participant's financial or scholarship status.

DC WEST YOUTH SPORTS ORGANIZATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

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

Athlete's Name: _____ **Birthdate:** _____ **Grade:** _____

Address: _____

Amount of Scholarship requested (Circle One): Full or Partial **Amount you can contribute:** \$ _____

Has your athlete received a scholarship from the DCWYSO in the past calendar year? () Yes () No

Desired sport to participate: (Check One)

Baseball

Flag Football

Basketball

Softball

Tackle Football

PARENT / GUARDIAN INFORMATION:

Parent/Guardian Name: _____ **Email Address:** _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ - _____ - _____

Total Household Annual Income: \$ _____

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

Fill out this form and email to DCWYSO at dcwyso@gmail.com or mail to PO Box 92, Valley NE 68064 with one or more of the following attachments:

- 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 friends of the family.
- Documentation demonstrating an immediate financial hardship.

Scholarship Application Deadlines

Baseball: February 15th	Flag Football: July 7th	Basketball: September 11th
Softball: February 15th	Tackle Football: July 7th	

By signing this arrangement, I certify that all of the information I have supplied is true and I agree to the requirements for eligibility, including volunteering my time to the DCWYSO. Failure to provide my commitment as outlined in the 'requirement for eligibility' section of this document may impact future consideration for scholarship programs.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

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Athlete Name _____

Sport & Year of Season _____

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

Volunteer Hours Served and how hours were served _____