



Aspen Junior Hockey 2020-21 Scholarship Information

The Aspen Junior Hockey Association (AJH) is pleased to offer its Scholarship Program to AJH members. The Scholarship Program is partially funded from Fall Face Off, fundraisers, contributions, as well as clinic and camp income generated by the Association during the year. Due to the limited amount of scholarship funds available and the number of applications received each year, the AJH Board of Directors has established the following requirements and parameters for scholarship applicants:

* Scholarship amounts are for AJH tuition only – team fees for tournaments, away game costs *etc.* are not included.

* The maximum scholarship amount under the scholarship program is 80% of AJH tuition. Scholarship amounts may be adjusted based upon several criteria including, but not limited to, the following: number of years in AJH, number of years receiving a scholarship, amount/type of parents volunteering within in AJH, parental income, amount available for scholarships and # of scholarship applications received, *etc.*

* If the applicant is awarded a scholarship, the amount of tuition not covered by the scholarship must be paid to AJH *before* the athlete may participate in any AJH sponsored activity, including practices and tryouts.

* The Applicants' account with AJH must be in good standing, i.e., Applicant does not owe AJH any monies from previous seasons.

Additionally, the AJH Board of Directors has established the following guidelines for processing and utilizing scholarship awards:

*The scholarship amount awarded to an applicant is based upon the published tuition for the program.

* Final scholarship amounts may be adjusted based upon the following:

* Applicant and/or parents is not current on volunteer hours and commitments.

Scholarships may be revoked at the discretion of the AJH Board of directors if the athlete and/or applicant violate any "Zero Tolerance Policy" of AJH, CAHA, or USA Hockey. If a scholarship is

revoked, the pro-rated funds due to AJH must be paid before the athlete can play in scheduled games or return to AJH the following season.

In order for a Scholarship Applicant to be considered for a AJH Scholarship, the following items are required to be submitted along with the Scholarship Application:

- * Complete copy of most recent federal income tax return filed by parent(s) of applicant.
- * Copy of most recent pay stubs with year to date income summary for parent(s) of applicant.
- * Copy of most recent applicants academic report card.
- * Statement to the Scholarship Committee that defines the scholarship request, explains any special personal circumstances relating to the scholarship request, and explains why the family needs the scholarship.

***If COVID -19 has negatively impacted your family since the 2019 tax returns, please explain and give an estimate of your current income. Please also note if you have had reduced hours, furloughed or are unemployed due to COVID-19.**

This statement should also address the parent(s) availability and commitment to volunteer within AJH (tournaments/fundraisers, etc.), and the parent(s) availability to participate in volunteering commensurate with the amount of the scholarship. The players are also required to give back to AJH, based on their age and ability.

A MINIMUM OF 10 SHIFTS DURING FALL FACE OFF IS REQUIRED IN ADDITION TO OTHER VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES THROUGHOUT THE SEASON! IF FALL FACE OFF is not held during the 2020-2021 season, 10 volunteer hours shall be conducted at another AJH event. Hours are to be submitted to the AJH office for verification.

Scholarship Applications must be submitted to the AJH Hockey Office on or before **9 am on Tuesday, September 8, 2020** to be considered for the 2020/21 season. If there are additional scholarship funds available after the September 9 deadline, a second round of application will be considered if application materials are received before **9 am Monday, October 5, 2020**. Please ensure that your application is complete, and all of the above-required information is submitted to Jackie Ayers at the AJH Office in a sealed envelope. Should an application be incomplete or not contain all the required information the AJH staff will contact you to obtain the information. However, this may delay the processing of your application, and that may cause the application to miss the deadline to be submitted to the AJH Scholarship Committee.

We are very pleased to offer the AJH Scholarship Program and the opportunity it offers to assist children in continuing to play hockey. Should you have any questions, please direct them to Jackie Ayers, (970) 920-7081.

Regards,
AJH Board of Directors and
AJH Scholarship Committee