

WWPC Scholarship Application

Available for WWPC Athletes and Sponsors; Events or Trips



Overview:

Windward Water Polo Club (WWPC) may grant scholarships for registration fees to club members, who without financial assistance, would be unable to participate in WWPC programs. The WWPC scholarship program focuses on providing opportunities for club members to participate in recreational team sports and events because of the physical, mental, and character-building benefits these programs can provide. Scholarships are available to cover the cost of registration, club events, travel, and required gear.

Scholarship requests must be submitted to WWPC no later than two (2) weeks prior to the registration deadline for a club session or event. Scholarships may not be awarded until one (1) week prior to the late registration deadline. The scholarship committee, which includes representatives from or approved by the WWPC 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, in certain situations a full scholarship, depending on the number of applicants and the amount of scholarship funds available. If the number of scholarship applications submitted and approved exceeds the amount available, the scholarships will be awarded by a lottery system.

WWPC is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization with limited funding available for scholarships. No guarantee of assistance is implied by this application.

Eligibility:

Requirements for Eligibility:

- Athletes must be of eligible age to participate in a WWPC program, an active member of the club and USA Waterpolo.
- Parents/Guardians (and athletes) commitment to attend a minimum of **80% of all scheduled practices and scrimmages**.
- Parents/Guardians agree to participate in **at least eight (8) hours** of voluntary service to WWPC during the session of sponsorship. Volunteer work will be under the direction of the WWPC Board of Directors, and may include participating in fund-raisers, working in concession stands, attending practices and scrimmages, or other duties assigned by the WWPC Board of Directors.
- 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.
- The maximum amount awarded per recipient family is \$2,000 per calendar year. Per IRS guidelines, WWPC is required to issue a Form 1099 to any individual or family that has received \$600.00 or more in funds or compensation in a calendar year.

Process:

- Complete the WWPC Application Form, which must be signed by a parent/guardian and read and sign the Terms and Conditions statement. Prior to the application deadline, either mail/email the application to the address listed on the bottom of the application.
- Include with the application either (1) proof of current income for all household members or (2) a personal financial hardship statement (see Qualifications).
Examples of proof of income include:
 - o 1 month of current consecutive pay stubs (4 weekly, 3 bi-weekly, or 2 bi-monthly pay stubs).
 - o Printout from Social Security Administration.
 - o Most recent completed tax return (form 1040).
 - o Notarized letter stating the applicant family has no income.
- The WWPC Scholarship Committee will consider scholarship applications completed with all necessary documentation and received by the applicable deadline.
- Scholarship application approval will be based on verification of financial need.
- Scholarships will be provided on a first-come, funding and space available basis.
- The parent, guardian or head of household will be notified in either case of a scholarship being awarded or not.
- **Incomplete applications will automatically be denied.**

Qualifications

Please provide all information required to help WWPC determine qualifications. Scholarship 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.

- Financial Hardship Statement: provide a written statement of immediate financial hardship explaining the current situation. WWPC recognizes that a family may not be receiving formal assistance from the programs yet financial assistance may still be needed to participate in a WWPC program. In these instances, the WWPC Scholarship Committee will consider the Financial Hardship Statement to determine scholarship eligibility. Please provide documentation that supports the facts in your financial hardship statement.

CONFIDENTIALITY

Windward Water Polo Club will use the information on the application only to decide if your athlete qualifies to receive a scholarship for eligible programs. Confidentiality will be maintained at all times. Applicants are guaranteed that personal finances will not be discussed outside of the WWPC Scholarship Committee. Athletes, parents, assistant coaches, or other volunteers 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 WWPC program, session, or event. You must still register the athlete in the program desired by the registration deadline.

Windward Water Polo Club 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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ATHLETE INFORMATION:

Athlete Name		School	
Age		Birthday (mm/dd/yyyy)	
Gender		Grade	

Address of Household

Street	City	State	Zip
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Athlete Lives With: () Both parents () Mother () Father () Father () Other: _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION:

Parent/Guardian Name: _____ Email: _____

Address (if different)

Street	City	State	Zip
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Mobile: (____)-____-____ Other: (____)-____-____

Total Household Annual Income: \$_____

Does your child qualify for free or reduced school lunch? () Yes () No () N/A

Number of dependent children in your household during the last tax year: _____

Number of people in your household total: _____

Do you currently receive state or federal financial assistance? () Yes () No

If yes, what type? _____

If you receive state or federal assistance, is this your sole source of income? () Yes () No

PREVIOUS PARTICIPATION

Has athlete participated in programs at WWPC in past seasons? () Yes () No

If yes, list sessions, events, and years (e.g. Spring 2021, California Trip 2020): _____

Has athlete received scholarship from the WWPC in the past calendar year? () Yes () No

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

"I", "me" and "my" refer to the adult scholarship applicant. Initial each line.

- ____ 1. By signing this form I certify that the information contained in this scholarship application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.
- ____ 2. By signing this form I agree to be bound by the responsibilities and expectations set forth in this application if I receive a scholarship.
- ____ 3. I understand that members of the Windward Water Polo Club Board of Directors consider each scholarship application on a case-by-case basis.
- ____ 4. I understand that no guarantee of assistance is implied by this application and scholarships are awarded if funds and space are available, and scholarship requirements are met.
- ____ 5. I understand that scholarship money will not be paid to the individual recipient, nor will any money be refunded to the individual recipient. Scholarships funds are spent by the club on behalf of the recipient.
- ____ 6. I understand that if any information provided during the scholarship application is deemed inaccurate, Windward Water Polo Club may immediately terminate my child's privilege to benefit from the scholarship program, and in the case any information was intentionally false, I will repay to Windward Water Polo Club the full value of any scholarship awarded.
- ____ 7. I understand that if a scholarship is awarded to my child or multiple children, I am required to volunteer 8 hours, per scholarship recipient, to be completed during the season unless otherwise coordinated with the WWPC Board of Directors. Failure to satisfy this condition will disqualify me, my child(-ren), and my immediate family from being considered for another scholarship for a period of 12 months.
- ____ 8. I understand it is my responsibility to ensure my child(-ren) attend a minimum 80% of all scheduled practices and scrimmages.
- ____ 9. This application is considered private and will not be shared with anyone other than the WWPC Scholarship Committee.

Printed Name of Adult Applicant

Signature of Adult Applicant

Name of Scholarship Athlete

Date