Rochester Recreation & Arena Program Scholarship Rules and Conditions

Contact Information

The department contact for questions regarding financial assistance is Assistant Director Steve Trepanier. Please reach out to Steve with any questions of if you need assistance with your scholarship application.

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What are Program Scholarships?

Program Scholarships are partial fee waivers available to help eligible families decrease the cost of Recreation & Arena youth program fees. Program Scholarships are available for seasonal youth recreation programs, not Summer Camp. Financial Assistance for Rochester Summer Camp involves a separate process and completion of a Camp-Aid Application during the camp pre-season.

Eligibility

- Only Rochester Residents are eligible for Program Scholarships.
- Scholarships are provided at the sole discretion of the City of Rochester's Department of Recreation & Arena.
- Scholarships are only offered for youth programs.
- Assistance is provided only if financial hardship is determined.
- Youth are eligible for one scholarship per program season. If the program is sessions based (ex. Swim Lessons, Learn to Skate) recipients are only eligible for one session of scholarship assistance.

Commitment of Participation

- Space in Rec & Arena programs is limited, so we want to make sure participants who sign up actually attend the program.
- Families who receive Program Scholarships are required to participate in the entire program in which the scholarship was received for. Failure to do so may result in family ineligibility for future financial assistance.

Application Process

- Program Scholarship Applications are available as an online form. Applicants who don't have access to the internet may contact Assistant Director Steve.
- Program Scholarship Applications must be submitted at least two weeks prior to the start of a program.
- Program Scholarship availability is limited per program and is granted on a first come first served basis to eligible
 applicants.
- Proof of Rochester Residency and documentations of any indicated received social services may be requested.
- Applicants who submit a complete application will be notified of decision by email within 7 business days of submission.
- If an applicant does not have an email address, please make note of this on the application.
- It is the responsibility of an applicant to communicate with Recreation staff if they have not received a decision within this time frame.

Program Registration

- Submission of Program Scholarship Application does not guarantee applicant a space in the program.
- Once an applicant is awarded a Program Scholarship, they still must the registration, including payment of parent/guardian portion of the registration fee.
- Space in most programs is limited and registration is accepted on a first come first serve basis.

Program Fees

- Scholarship awards are based on a program's early registration fee.
- Awards may not be applied to program late fees.
- Awards cannot be transferred to another program unless approved in advance by Recreation Staff.

Please note, these rules and conditions are subject to change at the discretion of Recreation Administration.