

Gova Sports

Scholarship Application Guidelines

Purpose -To allow every young athlete, age 16 and under, the opportunity to participate in team sports activities regardless of household financial conditions. Gova Sports is determined to lower the cost of team sports and athletic training opportunities for children whose families have demonstrated financial needs.

Who Qualifies? - Any youth, age 16 and under, participating in a seasonal sports league or athletic training clinic. Scholarships are need based; please note that some financial information may be requested. *Scholarships are limited to a total of \$150 per year per child.*

Scholarship Requirements

- Families or guardians are *encouraged* to participate in program fundraisers and game days.
- Parents/guardians are encouraged to participate in volunteer activities to help offset the cost of this scholarship.
- Individuals are required to attend a minimum of 80% of scheduled practices, lessons or games. Failure to meet attendance requirements and/or overdue payments may result in the loss of scholarship for your household.
- Individuals are eligible to receive a full program fee scholarship if they can demonstrate financial need and provide documentation. Our goal is to make team sports available to anyone in the community. *Please note that if applicable, the uniform fee, equipment, and other items are not included in the scholarship.*

Application Process

1. Complete the Youth Athletic Scholarship Application Form, which must be signed by a parent/guardian. (Conveniently available online. You may request a paper form if you don't have access to a computer.)
2. Attach program registration form.
3. A member from the Gova Sports executive team will contact you within 2 weeks of application receipt with the results of your application.
4. Scholarship application approval will be based on verification of financial need and availability of scholarship funds.

Other Important Information

- Scholarship amounts are based on total family size and total family income level. Families are defined as parent(s)/ guardian(s) and dependents all living at the same address.
- Scholarships will only be granted for Gova Sports registration fees for team sports or clinics.
- Completing a Youth Athletic Scholarship Application DOES NOT register a child for a program. Please complete an online registration form separately for the activities in which you are interested in having your children participate.
- Scholarships will be provided on a first-come, funding and space available basis.

Confidentiality – Gova Sports will use the information on the application only to decide if your child qualifies to receive a 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 department management. Coaches, instructors or program leaders will not be informed of a participant's financial or scholarship status.

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Scholarship Application Form

Email completed copy to: info@gova.us

To be completed by Parent or Guardian - ***please print neatly or type.*** Complete ALL of the following information and attach required documents, as incomplete forms will delay processing. A separate form is required for each child. Completing a scholarship application **does not** register a child for a program. Please complete a registration form separately for the activities in which your child wants to participate.

Parent/Guardian Name: _____
First Last

Address: _____
Street Address City State Zip Code

Telephone: (Day) _____ (Evening) _____ (Cell) _____

Parent/Guardian Email Address: _____

Name of Child: _____ Male Female Age: _____

School Child Attends: _____ Grade: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Has your family been awarded a Gova Sports scholarship in the past? _____ If yes, please indicate for which player and season the scholarship was awarded: _____

This year, we are encouraging all scholarship recipients to commit to volunteer hours to assist the league. There are a variety of opportunities throughout the season. Please indicate on the chart below which event you would like to help with.

Concessions		Team and Individual Pictures		Coaches Clinic	
Field set up / Tear down		Uniform/Equipment Handout		Fundraising	

Please report total family income, including wages, salaries, tips, unemployment and worker's compensation, net income from self-owned business/farm, welfare, child support, alimony, income from estates/trusts/investments, pensions, Social Security and any other income including regular contributions from persons not living in household on line below:

Gross annual income: \$ _____ Household size: _____

Please provide any documentation that you feel necessary or best demonstrates your family's financial need.

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Residency Verified _____ Supporting documents attached, including: _____

Witnessed by _____

Verified for scholarship _____ Denied _____ Approved by _____ Date _____

Gova Sports Scholarship Survey

To be completed by Parent or Guardian - *please print neatly or type.*

Date: _____ Player's Name: _____ Grade: _____

Child's Gender: Male Female

Which of the following best describes with whom your child lives?

2 Parents 1 Parent Extended Family Other

1. *My child feels better about him/herself by participating in athletic activities.*

Yes No Maybe Not Sure

2. *Participating in athletic activities has helped my child stay out of trouble.*

Yes No Maybe Not Sure

3. *Since participating in an athletic activity, I have noticed an improvement in my child's grades.*

Yes No Maybe Not Sure

4. *Since participating in an athletic activity, my child feels more confident about his/her abilities.*

Yes No Maybe Not Sure

5. *Since participating in an athletic activity, my child gets along better with others.*

Yes No Maybe Not Sure

6. *Keeping my child involved in athletic activities is beneficial to his/her health.*

Yes No Maybe Not Sure

7. *Because of this scholarship, my child is able to participate in this athletic activity.*

Yes No Maybe Not Sure

10. *With continued access to the Youth Athletic Scholarship, my child will participate in organized athletics.* Yes No Maybe Not Sure

11. Please tell us how this scholarship and our athletic programs have impacted your child's life:
