

Cheboygan Hockey Association

Scholarship Program Guidelines and Application

Purpose: The Cheboygan Hockey Association (CHA) Scholarship program exists to help reduce the financial strain of the costs of participation in the sport of hockey. Scholarships are available to families with demonstrated financial need based on the availability of funds. This scholarship is awarded on a discretionary basis by the Board of Directors as determined by the Scholarship Committee based on the amount of funds available and the demonstrated financial need of the applicant. Scholarship awards are applied to program fees and are not available to meet the additional individual team expenses

Confidentiality: Applicants can be assured that all information related to application and disbursements will be kept in the strictest of confidence and will only be shared with the applicant, the Scholarship Committee and with the Board officers as needed.

Funding: The limited funds for the scholarship program come primarily from scholarship donations, association contributions as determined by the Board, and from other donations specifically earmarked for the scholarship effort.

Scholarship Committee: The CHA Board of Directors will appoint at least 3 members to serve on the Scholarship Committee. Committee members may include board members, volunteers or association members as determined by the board.

Player Eligibility: A family is eligible if the player(s) satisfies the following criteria:

- Submits a scholarship application by September 1st (applications submitted after this date will be considered based on available funds).
- Is between the ages of 5 and 19
- Has applied or is in the process of registering with the CHA
- Is a Member of U.S.A. Hockey (or is in the process of joining)
- Submits all required paperwork and documentation.
- All prior fees are paid in full or a payment plan is in place and current.

Award criteria: The Scholarship Committee will make awards based on demonstrated need considering the following specific criterion:

- Income (based on current tax return/s)
- Un-usual or short term financial circumstances
- The number of children playing for CHA

Other factors taken into consideration may include:

- Duration of CHA participation
- Volunteer contribution to the organization
- Payment history with CHA
- Extenuating Circumstances (i.e., financial situations, change in employment status, special needs, etc.)

Deadline for submission to the CHA is October 1st to the Committee Chair at

jamiehuber@hotmail.com Please direct any questions you may have regarding this process to any CHA Board Member. Applications will be available on the CHA website on or before August 1st.



Award Timeline and Notification: The Scholarship Committee will review scholarship applications prior to the Association's formal registration dates each season. Award notification will be made by the CHA Scholarship Committee on or around October 15th. Applications received after the October 1st deadline may be considered by the Scholarship Committee based on need and the availability of funds.

The CHA Scholarship Committee and the Association's Board of Directors reserve the right to verify information requested/submitted on the application form. In the event any submitted information is found to be falsified or inaccurate the scholarship award will be denied and/or revoked. All financial assistance awards will be made after the deadline once all applications have been submitted and prior to formal registration.

If, at any time during the season, the applicant awarded the scholarship violates the Association's policies, the code of conduct and/or confidential nature of the disbursement, the CHA reserves the right to revoke the scholarship award.

The following items **<u>MUST</u>** be submitted as part of the application process for consideration by the committee:

- 1. Completed/Signed Application Form
- Provide Income Verification Documentation- First 2 pages of the <u>most recent</u> 1040 Tax Forms of both parents where applicable (including divorced/separated parents); Please be sure to BLACK OUT all Social Security #'s and Bank Account #'s on Tax Forms prior to submitting.



Cheboygan Hockey Association Scholarship Application Form

Please indicate the total number of children in the household: _____ How many play hockey? _____

Please list all your children that are planning to participate in CHA during the prior season: (List add'I on back)

Name	Prior Season Level (e.g., Mite)	Travel/House/Girls	Scholarship Requested (Y or N)	Number of years in CHA

Have any of the children listed above received a CHA Hockey scholarship in the past:	Yes	No
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If yes please indicate who, when and the amount received: _____

Mother/Guardian Information

Name	
Address	
Home Phone	
Cell Phone	
Email	

Father/Guardian Information

Name	
Address	
Home Phone	
Cell Phone	
Email	

The above parents/guardians are (check which applies):

Married Divolced/Legally Separated Single/Unitramed Widowed	Married	Divorced/Legally Separated	Single/Unmarried	Widowed
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If divorced or legally separated, please indicate which parent has custody:

Please have your child explain why he/she wants to play hockey for the Cheboygan Hockey Association and how they will apply the lessons they learn on the ice in their life away from the rink:

Please provide the following financial information along with required documentation for verification where requested:

	Mother/Guardian	Father/Guardian	Joint/Combined
Current Employer			
Prior Yr Wages, Salary and/or Self-Employment Income (provide W-2 form)			
Annual Income From Child Support and/or Alimony			
Other Annual Income			
Do you own or rent your home?			
Monthly Mortgage or Rent Payments			
Do you own a second home?			
Monthly Mortgage or Rent Payments on Second Home			

Have you applied and been approved for the Free and Reduced-Price School Meals program at your child's school for the current school year? (Circle One)

Yes

No

Not Eligible



Please Note: Due to limited resources "Full" registration scholarships will be reserved for those demonstrating the most financial need and will be limited accordingly.

How much can your family reasonably pay toward your expected CHA registration fees?

Please provide any other information you would like the committee to consider (i.e. change in employment status, dependent parent, special needs, etc.):

I/We certify that the above information is true and accurate. I/We authorize the CHA Scholarship Committee to make any inquiries deemed necessary to verify the information provided. This form must be signed by all custodial parents/guardians.

Mother/Guardian		Father/Guar	dian	
Date		Date		
			**** CHA SCHOLARSHIP CO	OMMITTEE USE ONLY ****
Date		Approved	Not Approved	
Total Season Fee Scholarship Amount Family Balance	\$ \$ \$			