Durango Nordic Ski Club

Scholarship Application



Overview and Instructions

A primary goal of the Durango Nordic Ski Club is to provide youth in the community with the opportunity to train and compete in Nordic skiing to the best of their ability. In furtherance of this goal, the Durango Nordic Ski Club's scholarship program exists to assist with tuition based on financial need. Scholarship assistance is available due to the efforts of our club in raising funds from grants, individual and corporate donations, and club fundraising.

Scholarship Program

- Full or partial registration scholarships may be awarded; Race related scholarships may be awarded.
- Returning athletes and new athletes are eligible
- All decisions to award scholarships are final and shall be made in the sole discretion of the Durango Nordic Ski Club Board.

Eligibility Requirements

- Applications are due and must be received by December 1st
- Scholarships are awarded by December 15th
- Applicants must demonstrate financial need and a desire to participate
- Consideration is given when there are multiple athletes from the same family
- Scholarship Athlete/Parents must demonstrate willingness to volunteer during the season.
- Thank you letters are required when a scholarship is awarded. Starting in 2017/2018, applications from athletes who were awarded scholarships in the prior year will not be considered if a thank you letter was not received.

Distribution of Funds

- Scholarship funds are applied directly to the athlete's tuition
- A portion of scholarship funds may be retained for later disbursement to aid in travel expenses

Make Your Application Count! Be sure to fill out this application in its entirety. Applications missing information, including requested letters and family income information, may not be considered. Scholarships are primarily need-based, other factors such as past athlete and family volunteer work for club events, athletic achievement, potential, leadership, work ethics and character may also be considered.

The more specific you can be about your financial situation and/or need for financial aid, the quicker the scholarship committee will be able to evaluate your application. If you or your child have made efforts to save or earn money for tuition/travel/equipment, mention it in your write up. Your child's letter and/or parent letter should discuss his or her love of the sport, and how the applicant believes participation will help him/her to achieve his/her goals.

Limited funds are available. Scholarships are awarded in various amounts. Full tuition scholarships are rarely granted. Registering for the season before you have heard from the scholarship committee is not necessary nor does it increase the chances of receiving a scholarship. **Send application by email to:** info@durangonordic.org.

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Athlete Information:

Last Name:	First Name:		
Address: City:	State:		
Zip:			
Home Phone:	Birth Date:/Age:		
Name of program:	Published tuition / registration cost:_		
Years involved in this sport/team:_			
Current Grade in School:	GPA:		
Is Athlete contributing towards Tu	ition? (Y/N) Amount: \$		
Has athlete received scholarship for	unding from Durango Nordic in years past?(Y/N)_		
	ed, how much can you afford to pay toward the pro-	ogram you	
If a scholarship is awarded, are the events? If so, how many hours can	athlete or family members willing to volunteer for you commit to?hours	r DNSC	
Please circle one or more of the fo	llowing volunteer opportunities which you can hel	p with:	
Ski a Thon Team Fundraise	er efforts		
• Race Volunteer (timing, co	urse marshal, bib collection, etc)		
• Event Volunteer (Howler full moon assistance, welcome guests, monitor bonfire, etc)			
 Organizing email/voluntee 	r lists		
Family Information:			
Parent's Marital Status:	Total Number in Household:		
Parent 1 Last Name:	First Name:		
Address:	City:State: Z	ip:	
Email:	Cell Phone Number:		
Parent 2 Last Name:	First Name:		
Address:	City:State: Z		
Email:	Cell Phone Number:		

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income verification or additional information in support information will not be considered.	t of your application). Applications lacking income
Please explain why you need financial assistance (attacl financial hardships you have recently experienced (Loss	

Statement from athlete:

Please attach a letter or statement from the athlete applying for a scholarship. Athlete letters / statements are very helpful in evaluating applications. The letter /statement should include information on why the athlete wants to participate in the program he or she is applying for.

Please indicate whether we may share athlete statements with potential donors: Yes / No (circle one).

If your answer to the preceding question is no, may we share the athlete's statement but keep the name confidential? Yes / No (circle one).

(Donors and potential donors are interested in "stories" of our athletes who receive or potentially receive financial support. The more information we have, the greater our fundraising potential and ability to help and support athletes. The most effective statements and letters come from the athletes, not their parents. We are looking for letters / statements from the heart, they do not have to be lengthy or carefully composed.)