

SCHOLARSHIP FUND MISSION

The Chelsea Piers Scholarship Fund is committed to providing New York City children in need with the opportunity to experience the enormous benefits and enjoyment of participation in athletics. We believe structured sports help children gain self-confidence and self-esteem, develop social skills, learn sportsmanship and teamwork, set and achieve goals, and learn from positive role models.

The Chelsea Piers Scholarship Fund is a not-for-profit fund established and administered by an independent group of volunteers. The Scholarship Fund is tax exempt under section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code and all donations are tax deductible in the manner prescribed by law.

In 2009, monies raised through the Chelsea Piers Scholarship Fund will be used to provide partial and full scholarships to the Chelsea Piers Summer Sports Camp and other sports programs offered at Chelsea Piers and throughout the city (e.g. competitive gymnastics team, instructional classes in ice skating, golf, ice hockey, roller hockey, soccer, baseball and basketball, appropriate youth leagues, city and state-wide tournaments, competitions and more).

APPLICATION PROCESS

Families wishing to apply for a scholarship to any program **must complete** the Chelsea Piers Scholarship Fund application attached. It is important that the directions outlined on the application are followed carefully and that all sections are filled out completely. Incomplete or late applications will not be accepted. In addition to the written application, the following must be provided:

- **Signed copies of official tax forms** for the past two years for ALL who claim the applicant as a dependent.
- Copies of W-2 Forms or other documents verifying income (welfare grant, social security documentation) for ALL who claim the applicant as a dependent.
- Copies of applicants 2 most recent School Report Cards (exceptions will be made for children under 5 years old)
- Personal Interview (families may be required to have a personal interview with members of the Grant Committee)

The Scholarship Fund Board of Directors will review and make final decisions on all applications. Scholarships will be awarded based on a number of criteria, including but not limited to: available grant money, financial need, thoroughness of application, applicant's demonstrated commitment to the program and behavior in school or at previous Chelsea Piers programs.

Grants will be made three times per year.

2009 APPLICATION DEADLINES

APRIL 1, 2009: Completed Summer Camp Applications

AUGUST 1, 2009: Fall Program Applications (classes, leagues, Gymnastics Team, et al)

DECEMBER 1, 2009: Spring Programs Applications (classes, leagues, Gymnastics Team, et al)

The Chelsea Piers Scholarship Fund is a private organization that reserves the right to rescind any decision made and to revoke any scholarship offered. Scholarship recipients must demonstrate a strong commitment to excellence and must meet and exceed the behavioral standards established by the director of his/her program in order to maintain his/her scholarship.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Today's Date _____

Applicant's Last Name _____ First Name _____ Birthdate ___/___/___

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Name of school currently attending: _____ Grade in September 2009: _____

 Type of Scholarship applying for: Summer Camp (specify): _____ Class (specify): _____

 Competitive Team (specify): _____ Semester: Fall Winter/Spring

 Is applicant currently enrolled in any Chelsea Piers program? Yes No

If Yes, please list program and coach's name:

Program: _____ Coach/Instructor: _____

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 Is applicant currently participating in other athletic programs not at Chelsea Piers? Yes No

If Yes, please list program and date: _____

 Is applicant currently, or has applicant ever, received assistance from this or any other scholarships? Yes No

If Yes, please list: _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION
Parent #1 Last Name _____ First Name _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____

Place of Employment _____ Position _____

Parent #2 Last Name _____ First Name _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____

Place of Employment _____ Position _____

 With whom does the applicant live? Parent #1 Parent #2 Other Email _____

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Number of dependents in household: _____

 Gross Annual Household Income according to Federal Tax Returns of both parents
 and of all who claim child as dependent:

_____ - 2007

_____ - 2008

_____ - 2009 (estimated)

 Attach copies of 2007 & 2008
 Federal Tax Returns pages 1&2,
 as well as W-2 forms or other
 documents verifying income from
 both parents/guardians and all
 who claim child as dependent.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date _____

Please mail completed application by appropriate deadline to:
Chelsea Piers Scholarship Fund • Pier 62 - Suite 300 • New York, NY 10011 or FAX 212.336.6515
All pages of this application must be accurate and complete. Incomplete applications will not be considered.
Applicants may be contacted to schedule a personal interview if necessary.

