



Petaluma Panthers Scholarship Application

OVERVIEW

Petaluma Panthers provides scholarships for registration fees to children, who without financial assistance would be unable to participate in the Panther sport programs. The Petaluma Panthers is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization with limited funding available for scholarships. No guarantee of assistance is implied by this application. If the number of scholarship applications submitted and approved exceeds the amount available, the scholarships will be awarded by a first come, first serve bases.

The Petaluma Panthers does not discriminate based on race, color, national origin, sex or disability in its program and activities.

ELIGIBILITY

Requirements for eligibility:

- Child must be age 14 or younger.
- Commitment to attend a minimum of 85% of scheduled practices and games. Failure to do so will disqualify you from future scholarship consideration.
- Participation by a family member in volunteer opportunities of at least sixteen hours (16) during the scholarship season. Failure to do so will disqualify you from future scholarship consideration.
- Submitted application that must be completed by a parent, guardian, or head of household.
- Submitted proof of income is required, including most recent federal income tax return (First 2 pages of your 1040).
- Upon approval 50% registration payment, failure to provide payment in full will disqualify the application.

QUALIFICATIONS

Please provide all information required to help the Petaluma Panthers determine qualifications. Scholarship consideration will be given to families that meet the following criteria:

- Provide a copy of your IRS form 1040 from the recent tax year.
- Receive assistance from programs such as: Medicaid, SSI, Foster Care, WIC, etc. and can provide written documentation of participation in these programs, or
- Provide recommendation by school representative, social worker, youth community center workers or other social service representative



- Provide a written statement of immediate financial hardship explaining the current situation. Petaluma Panthers recognizes that a family may not be receiving formal assistance from the programs mentioned above, yet financial assistance may still be needed to participate in a Panthers Sport Program. In these instances, the Petaluma Panthers board will consider the financial hardship statement to determine scholarship eligibility. Please provide any supporting documentation that may support the facts in your financial hardship statement.
- Complete the application process and read and sign the Terms and Conditions statement.

Incomplete applications will automatically be denied.

PROCEDURE

Scholarship requests must be submitted to the Petaluma Panthers by May of the current season to be considered.

A parent, guardian, or head of household must complete the application, with all requested information provided. All items on the Scholarship Terms and Conditions must be initialed and the form must be signed and dated.

Incomplete or late applications will be denied.

As indicated above, all the following must be included to be considered for scholarship:

- Income documentation (i.e. previous year tax returns, current paystubs)
- State or Federal assistance documentation or;
- Letter from school, social worker, youth community center worker, or another social services representative and/or;
- Letter of hardship

The Petaluma Panthers Board will consider all scholarship applications completed with all necessary documentation and received by the deadline.

The parent, guardian or head of household will be notified if the scholarship is awarded or not.

Approval of a registration scholarship does not register the participant in the current season. The athlete must still be registered online and in person per the Petaluma Panthers.



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Terms and Conditions

“I”, “me” and “my” refer to the adult scholarship applicant.

- _____ 1. By signing this form, I certify that the information contained in this scholarship packet is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.
- _____ 2. By signing this form, I agree to be bound by the responsibilities and expectations set forth in this application if I receive a scholarship.
- _____ 3. I understand that members of the Petaluma Panthers Board consider each scholarship application on a case-by-case basis.
- _____ 4. I understand that no guarantee of assistance is implied by this application and scholarships are awarded if funds are available.
- _____ 5. I understand that basic equipment is provided by the Petaluma Panthers, but I am responsible for any other equipment and uniforms needs for my child’s participation. (see Football tab on webpage for list of provided equipment)
- _____ 6. I understand that scholarship money will not be paid to the individual recipient, nor will any money be refunded to the individual recipient.
- _____ 7. I understand that if any information provided during the scholarship application is deemed inaccurate, the Petaluma Panthers may immediately terminate my child’s privilege to benefit from the scholarship program, and in the case any information was intentionally false, I will repay the Petaluma Panthers the full value of any scholarship awarded.
- _____ 8. I understand that if a scholarship is awarded to my child or multiple children, I am required to volunteer 16 hours, per scholarship recipient. Failure to satisfy this condition will disqualify me, my child(-ren), and my immediate family from being considered for another scholarship for 12 months.
- _____ 9. I understand it is my responsibility to ensure my child(-ren) attend 85% of all scheduled practices and games.
- _____ 10. This application is considered private and will not be shared with anyone other than the Petaluma Panthers Board.

Printed Name of Adult Applicant

Signature of Adult Applicant

Name of Scholarship Athlete

Date



ATHLETE INFORMATION			
Athlete's Name:		Age on Aug 1st:	Birth date:
Football Players Current Weight:		Returning FB player jersey #	
Address:			
	City:	State:	Zip:
School Athlete Attends:		Grade:	
Teacher's Name:		School Phone:	
Athlete lives with: () Both Parents () Mother () Father () Other			
PARENT / GUARDIAN INFORMATION:			
Total Household Annual Income: \$			
Number of dependent children in your household during the last tax year:			
Number of people in your household total:			
Father/Guardian Name:		Occupation:	
Employer Name:		Employer Address:	
Home Phone:	Work Phone:		E-mail:
Father/Guardian Monthly Income (including alimony/child support) \$:			
Mother/Guardian Monthly Income (including alimony/child support) \$:			
Mother/Guardian Name:		Occupation:	
Employer Name:		Employer Address:	
Home Phone:	Work Phone:		E-mail:
Do you currently receive state or federal financial assistance? () Yes () No If yes, what type?			
If you receive state or federal financial assistance, is this your sole source of income? () Yes () No			
SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION			
Amount of scholarship requested:	Full \$	Partial \$	
Sport for scholarship request: () Cheerleading () Football			
PREVIOUS PARTICIPATION			
What other sport(s) has the child played? _____			
Name of Team & Organization _____			
What was the cost of that sport(s) played? _____			
Has this athlete ever received scholarships before? () Yes () No			
If yes:	Which sport(s):	Year(s) :	Amount \$



Please indicate supporting documentation being provided:

- Proof of Income
- Proof of receipt of state or federal financial assistance
- Letter from school, social workers, youth community center workers, or other social services representatives
- Written Personal Statement of Immediate Financial Hardship Other (*explain in detail*):