Concord American Little League Scholarship Policy and Requirements

Concord American Little League (CALL) is a not for profit youth baseball and softball Little League charter committed to providing a program which allows every child to play baseball and softball. Our mission is to offer an affordable program for the families of the Concord community while maintaining the financial health and sustainability of the league.

We understand that circumstances arise, or hardships, may occur which could impair a family's ability to continue their children's involvement in extracurricular activities. For those who need it CALL offers a limited number of scholarships based on the league's annual budget, community sponsorships received, and the overall number of registrations. Because scholarship funds are limited, applicants must provide sufficient criteria, as noted below, qualifying their need for assistance. In addition, applicants may be asked to provide further information to validate the request. Please do not ask for a scholarship if you have the ability to pay.

CALL is strictly a volunteer based organization and all participating families are expected to volunteer a portion of their time to assist with various operations of the league as well as game-day needs. As part of our consideration for your application for scholarship, parents and/or guardians should understand the requirements for approval:

- All approved scholarships are expected to repay the league by the end of the scholarship season, or
 post season with approval, through one or more of the following:
 - Standard volunteer opportunities.
 - Volunteer credits shall be applied on a 10.00 dollars per point basis towards your total scholarship costs
 - Services to the league requiring special skills or training which can be utilized for league-wide improvements or repairs
 - Sponsorships from local business
 - Sponsorships should be equal to or greater than the requested amount for scholarship
 - All sponsorships provided in exchange for scholarships will be afforded all benefits of our sponsorship program based on the dollar level
 - Sponsorship information can be found on our website under Sponsorships.
 - Obtain goods and/or services which can be used as part of our special event raffle prized
 - Dollar contribution shall be based on value of retail goods or specified services.
 - All applicants will receive a response within 7 (seven) business days from the date in which the application was received
 - All forms must be filled out in entirety, without exception
- Your contributions to the league will be considered on all future scholarship requests.
 - o <u>If volunteer requirements are not met, your child will not be eligible for post-season</u> participation nor future scholarships

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FAQ's:

- The scholarship program was established to assist families of baseball with financial hardships. For
 players that meet the eligibility requirements, league fees for the season in question are paid fully or
 partially by CALL.
- Scholarships are neither permanent nor automatically renewed and will expire at the end of each season. Requests for scholarships must be made during the registration process of the upcoming season (be sure to register regardless so as to receive all announcements relevant to the upcoming season)
- In financial hardship cases, a scholarship may be requested for each child in your family that wants to play baseball. The Executive Board will examine the needs and make a decision on the scope (full or partial) of the scholarship award(s).
- Current or previous scholarship award does not prevent future scholarship approvals. The
 circumstances (financial hardships, etc.) noted in the request are evaluated with every request (reevaluated if it is a repeated request). The scholarship eligibility requirements still must be satisfied in
 all cases.
- All scholarships are judged on their own merit. Depending on the circumstances, the scholarship award may be full or it may be partial. The Executive Board will make the final determination.
- Standard volunteer opportunities include:
 - Snack shack worker
 - Snack shack supervisor
 - Scorekeeper (select divisions)
 - Umpiring (select divisions)
 - Announcing (select divisions)
- *Training is available for all volunteer opportunities.
 - Volunteer point information can be found on the volunteer card provided by the team manager before
 the start of the season

To be considered for scholarship (full or partial), please provide a written explanation of why you are requesting a scholarship, how you will assist the league with alternative methods to repay, and complete the scholarship request form. All application information will remain confidential and viewed only by select members of the Board.

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Your child may not be placed on a team until your scholarship application is complete and submitted in full. Once approved the player registration will be complete.

If you require further information, please contact the CALL Treasurer or President. Board member information can be found by visiting www.concordamericanlittleleague.org