



BC SOCCER

SCHOLARSHIP POLICY

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ABOUT BC SOCCER SCHOLARSHIPS

As the provincial body of Soccer in British Columbia, BC Soccer relies heavily on the contributions of its members. In order to acknowledge the efforts of the youth members, a number of scholarships are awarded to youth members who go far beyond their expected roles. These members are pillars of the Soccer community. This policy describes the application and selection process for the BC Soccer Scholarship.

OBJECTIVE

Support and encourage youth members, who go far beyond their expected roles and who will undertake post secondary education, by providing them with financial support.

SCHOLARSHIP POLICY

- 1) BC Soccer has a number of scholarships for each scholarship year.
- 2) The funds must be received as per the Scholarship Agreements between BC Soccer and the Donor.
- 3) Scholarships are awarded by BC Soccer to any successful applicant who is currently participating in affiliated soccer as a player, referee, coach or administrator and has done so for 3 or more years
- 4) The qualifications of recipients:
 - a) Proceeding from Grade 12 to any university in the province or other secondary institution approved by the Awards and Scholarship committee
 - b) Attending a post-secondary institute, but who are under 19 years of age as of January 1st, of the current playing season
 - c) Must have demonstrated good citizenship, personality and leadership
- 5) All applicants must follow the scholarship application process outlined in this policy in order to be considered for a BC Soccer Scholarship. BC Soccer reserves the right to forego processing any applications from applicants who do not follow the procedure outlined below.
- 6) The funds will be withheld until such time the recipient provides proof of payment of tuition either the first semester or in full as well as proof of enrolment that he/she is attending any post-secondary institute approved by the Events Committee.
- 7) A scholarship that is awarded, but not availed of within 3 years of the award winner's high school graduation year will be deemed to be null and void. The aforementioned scholarship award will be then awarded to a new candidate the following year.

APPLICATION PROCESS

- 1) All scholarship applications must be submitted no later than March 31st of each year.
- 2) All applicants must submit and complete a current BC Soccer scholarship application form.

SELECTION PROCESS

- 1) Scholarship recipients are chosen by the Awards and Scholarship committee, which is comprised of the chair of the Awards and Scholarship committee and committee members.
 - a) Scholarship applicants will be contacted by BC Soccer Staff in May
 - b) The recipients' names will be formally announced thereafter in May or June