

### **WESTFIELD AQUATICS Scholarship Application Information**

Welcome to WESTFIELD AQUATICS. We strive to ensure that all swimmers are afforded an opportunity to be a part of our team no matter what the economic situation is at home. To that end we are pleased to offer financial assistance to those with a genuine need. All of our scholarships are awarded based solely on NEED.

Proof of need is required for a scholarship to be approved.

The following programs (or situation) would enable your family to qualify for this scholarship.

- 1. Notification letter for the Free/Reduced Lunch program.
- 2. SNAP (food stamps) program documentation.
- 3. WIC (women, infant, and children's) program documentation.
- 4. Medicaid health insurance program documentation or card (non-disability based waiver)
- 5. Primary Breadwinner out of work (more than 6 months) documentation.

If you would like to be considered for a WESTFIELD AQUATICS scholarship, please complete the application on the next page.

Once completed, please email your application, along with your documentation to manager@swimwestfield.org.

#### All information provided to the Board will be held in the strictest confidence.

You will also need to review page 3 of this document, titled "Scholarship Contract". IF you are awarded a WESTFIELD AQUATICS scholarship, you will be required to sign the contract page detailing your obligations under this program.

Scholarship Applications are due before October 1<sup>st</sup> of each swim season for returning swimmers.

New swimmers are asked to complete their scholarship application prior to registration.

If circumstances should arise in the middle of the season which warrants financial assistance, please fill out an application and submit it as instructed above. We will be happy to consider any special circumstances or change in status.

You will be notified of your scholarship status shortly after the next board meeting. The board of directors generally meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each Month.

#### **WESTFIELD AQUATICS Scholarship Application**

All scholarships are awarded based solely on NEED. Proof of need is required for a scholarship to be approved. Please see the eligible programs on page 1. Please submit a copy of this document with your scholarship application.

WESTFIELD AQUATICS scholarships provide the following:

- 50% reduction of training fees
- Club will reimburse the swimmer's USA/IN Swimming registration fee (\$5 for outreach)
- Paid entry fee for any WESTFIELD AQUATICS hosted home swim meet
- Waive the fundraising fee

Families receiving financial assistance will be:

- required to work at every WESTFIELD AQUATICS hosted meet
- required to maintain 66% swimmer attendance
- required to pay the WA registration fee

| Swimmer's Name(s)   |    |
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| Parent/Guardian Name  |    |
| Billing Address   |    |
| Phone Email   | _  |
| Swimmer's Group:Developmental Age Group 2<br>Age Group 1Age Group Elite Senior 1 Senior 2 |    |
| Scholarships are awarded annually for the duration of the swim year (Sept-Aug             | ). |

# **Scholarship Contract**

## **WESTFIELD AQUATICS scholarships provide the following:**

- 50% reduction of swimmer's monthly training fees (no sibling discounts)
- Club will reimburse the swimmer's USA/IN Swimming registration fee (\$5 for outreach)
- Paid entry fee for any WESTFIELD AQUATICS hosted swim meet
- Waive the fundraising fee

| In return for this benefit we agree to the following requirement | s: |
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| Please read and initial all of the items below.                  |    |

| _ I/we understand that our family must be eligible for one of the listed programs in order to be considered for a WESTFIELD AQUATICS scholarship. We agree to provide the club manager with a copy of our documentation before this scholarship becomes effective.  |
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| _ I/we understand and agree that adult members of our family are required to contribute volunteer service time to the team. This includes time spent volunteering at WESTFIELD AQUATICS hosted home swim meets.   |
| _ I/we understand and agree our swimmer(s) will be required to maintain regular attendance at swim practices. Swimmers are expected to attend a minimum of 2/3 of all scheduled practices. Please arrange with your coach if there are to be any extended absences from the pool.   |
| _Although provided as a benefit, I/we understand that our swimmer(s) are not required to attend any swim meets. Hosted home meet entry fees will be paid by the Club. Additionally, if we decide to attend any NON hosted swim meets, we understand that ALL fees will be the responsibility of our family and the club will not contribute for these meets.                    |
| _I/we understand that this scholarship will be considered effective as of the date of our application. New swimmers who apply for and are denied a scholarship may leave the team, without any future obligation. Returning swimmers who apply and are denied a scholarship may leave the team without future obligation but will be responsible for any dues incurred to date. |
| _I/we understand that scholarships are awarded for the duration of the current swim year only. We understand we may reapply in subsequent seasons if we are eligible and in need of future financial assistance.  |
| I/we have read the above requirements for the Westfield Aquatics' scholarship award. As the responsible parent/guardian for the above named swimmer(s), I/we agree to be responsible for meeting all of the above requirements.   |
| Parent/Guardian Signature: Date:  |
| I have reviewed all of the program requirements with the above named parent(s) and have accepted the agreement for the WESTFIELD AQUATICS scholarship program.  |

WESTFIELD AQUATICS Representative: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_