

TSM Aquatics Scholarship Application & Guidelines – 2025-2026



Application Instructions:

Step 1. Review the Scholarship Rules & Guidelines.

Step 2. Using the scholarship table below, identify the column with the number of parents and dependents in your household.

Step 3. Within that column, identify the line that best matches your Adjusted Gross Income" (AGI) without going over. You can find your AGI on Line 11 on page 1 of your most recent Federal Income Tax Return (1040).

Step 4. Fill out the application below and provide a complete copy of the last income tax return that was filed within the last two years. Please include Schedule C for any Business-related income reported and/or your latest paystub.

Step 5. Send the completed application and supporting documents via email to: Finance@teamsantamonica.org

Scholarship Table:

# in Household	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Tier 1 Scholarship: \$100 per month	\$63,600	\$72,720	\$81,780	\$90,900	\$98,160	\$105,420	\$112,680
Tier 2 Scholarship: \$50 per month	\$84,850	\$96,950	\$109,050	\$121,150	\$130,850	\$140,550	\$150,250

The above table is based on the HUD Income Limits for 2025 used in Los Angeles/Long Beach/Glendale Metro Area.

Application:

Parent/Member Information

Last Name:		First Name:		MI:	
Address:					
City:		State:		Zip Code:	
Phone: ()		Email:			

Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) on IRS Return (Line 11 on 1040): \$ _____

Number of parents and dependents living in household: _____

Number of dependents living in household: _____

	1	2	3
1 Athlete's Name:			
2 Athlete's DOB:			
3 Roster Group:			
4 Group Monthly Program Dues:			

I have read and acknowledge the Scholarship Rules & Guidelines of this application.

Signature: _____

Scholarship Rules & Guidelines:

1. **Limited funds are available for scholarships each swim season.** Scholarships are (1) not guaranteed, (2) offered at TSM Aquatics' discretion, and (3) can be discontinued if the club finances are no longer able to support them.
2. These guidelines provide the board with a process to rank applicants against the team's current scholarship funds. The team may provide a Tier 1 or a Tier 2 scholarship, **dependent on the total annual scholarship budget.**
3. Scholarships are **for Program Dues only.** Annual Patron, TSM Hosted Support Fees, and other related program fees and equipment chargebacks are excluded from support.
4. Scholarships awarded will be **posted retroactively (for each billing month)** after the board approves the scholarships during the first meeting following the scholarship submission deadline on September 7th.
5. **Applicants must apply on an annual basis** by September 7th of each year, or at the time they join. Registered and continuing athletes will have a priority over new or athletes with pending registrations. Preference is given to applicants who have been awarded in the prior team season. Renewal is not guaranteed and is based on current club financial position. **Scholarship recipients are reviewed each quarter** against the funds available and to ensure they are meeting the participation requirements, as noted below.
6. As a condition of their award, TSM scholarship **recipients agree to attend practices and meets/games** as required for their group. Failure to comply with the condition may result in the loss of the scholarship. Scholarship recipients are encouraged to review the training and meet/game expectations for their respective groups.
7. As with all TSM families, the families of scholarship athletes are expected to provide volunteer time to the club. This includes the following requirements (as applicable): timing at swim meets, fulfillment of volunteer requirements at home swim meets/games, and participation in various fundraising activities including participation in the annual fundraiser (Splash for Cash). **Additional donations of time and energy are encouraged to support TSM.**
8. Applicants who are not awarded the scholarship, but otherwise qualify, will be put on a **waiting list** for that year only. The board will review the waiting list should current award recipients leave or fail to meet requirements and, if funds are available, award the appropriate scholarship amount to the next qualified recipient.
9. **All applications are treated individually and confidentially.**