

## **Scholarship Request Information**

Our mission, at the Madison Aquatic Club, is to provide swimmers of all ages and abilities the opportunity to participate in the sport of swimming regardless of their income or ability to pay. We accept financial assistance requests throughout the year for assistance with swim fees or travel costs associated with meets. Consideration is given on an individual basis, case by case basis.

### **Eligibility**

Demonstrate financial need. This will be considered on an individual basis. To assist a determination, we use School Free/Reduced Lunch Program and Tax Return Income as a guideline. However, we know that other hardship situations can arise in life and we encourage your communication with us.

Swimmer must be a year round team swimmer and attend at least 70% of all monthly practices.

Monthly dues are paid in advance. Scholarship dollars that are awarded will be applied to your account after your portion of the dues are paid. Failure to pay your portion by the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month may result in the loss of scholarship.

Swimmers shall demonstrate a firm commitment to their own development as a swimmer as well as to the team. Families of scholarship awards must fulfill volunteer requirements over the course of the year. Families not participating may lose their scholarship.

### **Application**

Individuals may apply for Financial Assistance by contacting the MAC Business Manager, Janis Katz, or MAC Program Director, Shane Ryan, who will review the request. All information provided shall be kept confidential. Applicants will be notified by email or phone of their funding status.

### **General Guidelines for the reduction of fees.**

Financial Assistance Application must contain complete and true information. Incomplete or falsified information shall result in denial of requests.

Applicants must meet the requirements of eligibility described.

Financial assistance may be denied when granting such assistance shall have a significant detrimental effect on the operation of the program.

Financial assistance shall not be granted for Meet Entries, USA-Swimming Memberships, or Equipment Purchases.

All program participants granted financial assistance shall remain in good standing with program instructors and MAC. Unsportsmanlike conduct and/or conduct detrimental to the program shall be grounds for removal of all financial assistance present and future.

This list shall not be considered all-inclusive and MAC reserves the right to distribute or deny financial assistance as needed.