

# **The St. Joseph CYO Scholarship Program**

- Applications available October 1
- Applications postmarked April 1

## **Program Description**

The St. Joseph CYO Scholarship Program was established in 2010 to make grants to assist athletes who represented St. Joseph during their 8<sup>th</sup> Grade year in the Catholic Youth Organization grade school program towards their continuation of a Catholic high school education.

Evaluation includes basic participation in the St. Joseph CYO program, participation in school and community activities, a statement of educational goals, any additional information for consideration, an essay submission, and an appraisal by someone not related to the student to ensure impartiality. The St. Joseph CYO board will determine a short-list of up-to three male applicants and up-to three female applicants. This short-list will then be forwarded on to the St. Joseph Pastor for a final decision on recipient(s) and distribution of funds.

## **Awards**

Scholarships will be awarded to one male and to one female applicant in the amount of \$500 each.

These restricted scholarships shall be limited to a one-time payment to a qualifying Catholic high school during the recipient's freshman year. Qualifying Catholic high schools will be defined as Bishop Miege, St. Thomas Aquinas, and St. James Academy.

The St. Joseph CYO board will forward a short-list of up-to three male and up-to three female semi-finalists to the St. Joseph Pastor by the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month of April. Final selection of scholarship recipients will be made by the St. Joseph Pastor no later than May 1st.

## **Eligibility Requirements**

Applicants must meet the following eligibility requirements:

- Must have participated in the St. Joseph CYO program during their 8<sup>th</sup> grade year in one of the following grade school sports programs:
  - Volleyball
  - Football
  - Basketball
  - Track
- Must be current with all required St. Joseph CYO fees and deposits. (as verified by the St. Joseph CYO Treasurer)

- Must be current with all required Greater CYO fees. (as verified by the St. Joseph Athletic Director or Assistant Athletic Director)
- Applicant's parents must have met all volunteer requirements which allow St. Joseph CYO to operate as a volunteer organization (ie volunteering time to staff gate or concession, coaching, or board membership)
- Must be a practicing Catholic.
- Must be registered to attend a Catholic high school for their freshman year.
- Must complete the application form and mail (postmarked) no-later-than April 1<sup>st</sup>.

### **Conditions of Scholarship Grants**

Grantee must be a current 8<sup>th</sup> grade student registered to attend a Catholic high school for their upcoming freshman academic year.

Grants shall be utilized only to defray tuition for the freshman year of study at the Catholic high school for which he/she is registered to attend the upcoming freshman academic year.

Grantees may not reapply for the scholarship as it is a one-time benefit grant.

The St. Joseph CYO will make payment of the scholarship funds directly to the Catholic high school upon awarding said scholarship.

### **Procedure for Applying**

Each applicant is responsible for gathering and submitting all information necessary for the St. Joseph CYO board to create the short-list and the St. Joseph Pastor to select scholarship recipients.

The procedure is:

1. Applicant must complete the form on page 3.
2. Applicant must complete a brief (3 paragraph) essay stating the benefits of their participation in the St. Joseph CYO program and attach it to the application.
3. Applicant must mail completed application and essay with a postmark no-later-than April 1<sup>st</sup> to:

St. Joseph CYO Athletic Director  
5901 Flint  
Shawnee, KS 66203

# St. Joseph CYO Scholarship Application

Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

List the Catholic high school you will be attending freshman year:

\_\_\_\_\_

List all 8<sup>th</sup> grade sports participated in along with Head Coaches:

Sport

Head Coach

_____	_____
_____	_____
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Please state your educational goals:

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List all Parish, grade school, or community involvement:

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List any additional information for consideration:

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Please remember to attach your 3-paragraph essay detailing how you have benefited from participation in the St. Joseph CYO program.