

Youth Fee Assistance Program

The Youth Fee Assistance Program is designed to provide families of the City of North Ridgeville an opportunity to get their children involved in fun, enjoyable, quality programs that they may not be able to afford without assistance. These activities help provide children with safe outlets for fun, creativity, socialization, play and learning. The information requested below is confidential and is necessary to help determine the degree of need for each applicant. All information must be completed or the application will be returned unaccepted. A separate application is required for multiple scholarships (each participant and each activity).

PROCEDURES and GUIDELINES:

- Scholarships are available only for North Ridgeville Parks and Recreation sponsored programs and only to residents of North Ridgeville.
- All program assistance requests will be reviewed by the Parks and Recreation Director and will be kept strictly confidential.
- Requests will be awarded for a percentage of the program fee dependent on the annual gross income of the household and the number of family members. No assistance will be granted for trips.
- There will be no full reductions given. More partial assistance will be given so more people may participate.
- Program assistance must be applied for at least 2 weeks prior to the beginning of the program or registration deadline, whichever comes first.
- Summer Adventure Camp and our Jr. Ranger Football Program are excluded from the youth fee assistance program
- Upon submission of fee assistance, families will be notified within 3 business days or less of their status.
- A new form must be filed with the Parks and Recreation Director for each program. Proof of income forms need to be filed only once per calendar year.
- Foster children and legal dependents of the state are automatically approved for the maximum amount of assistance available.
- Program assistance is determined without regard to race, creed, color, religion, age, disability or national origin of the applicant.
- Proof of residency must be confirmed by providing a valid State of Ohio driver's license and current utility bill.
- All information on the Youth Fee Assistance Program application must be true and accurate. Financial assistance awarded on the basis of false information supplied by the applicant will be revoked.
- Financial assistance is limited to one program per person, per season. Applications must be completed seasonally. Granting of approval does not ensure continued approval for succeeding programs or seasons.
- Families who receive financial assistance must re-apply with each seasonal brochure:
 - a. Fall (September-December)
 - b. Winter (January-May)
 - c. Spring / Summer (June-August)
- All registration policies and procedures apply to scholarship applicants.
- Employees of North Ridgeville are not eligible for the Youth Fee Assistance Program.
- Scholarship money that has been awarded is never refunded in any case.
- The North Ridgeville Parks and Recreation Youth Fee Assistance Program is subject to change.
- Reduced fees will only be available to those under the age of 18.
- The Parks and Recreation Director will consider as proof of hardship from the following documents: Income Tax Returns, Recent Pay Slips, Burdensome Medical Expenses, Unemployment.
- For additional information, contact Kevin Fougousse, Director of Parks and Recreation at (440) 353 – 0825.

Scholarship Funds Provided By:



North Ridgeville Parks and Recreation
Application for Youth Fee Assistance
For ages 18 and under

SECTION I: PARTICIPANT INFORMATION

Participants Name: _____ Age: _____ Birthdate: ____/____/____

Street Address: _____
Street City Zip

Home Phone: (____) _____ Work / Cell Phone (**circle one**): (____) _____

This scholarship will be used for the following activity: _____

Knowing the normal activity fee of \$_____, what do you think you can afford to pay? \$_____

SECTION II: PARENT / GUARDIAN INFORMATION

Name Parent / Guardian 1: _____ Employer: _____

Name Parent / Guardian 2: _____ Employer: _____

No. of children living at home: _____ No. of adults in household: _____

Are you presently receiving assistance from any of the following program?

(Check all that apply and attach appropriate paperwork)

- Free or reduced school lunch program Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)
 State Welfare Assistance Other: _____

Briefly describe the need for this scholarship: _____

SECTION III: TOTAL ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME *(include child support if applicable)*

- Under \$10,000 \$10,000-\$13,999 \$14,000-\$17,999 \$18,000-\$21,999 \$22,000-\$25,999
 \$26,000-\$29,999 \$30,000-\$33,999 \$34,000-\$37,999 \$38,000-\$41,999 Above \$42,000

Parent / Guardian Signature Date: ____/____/____

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Fee Assistance Granted Amount of fee assistance: \$ _____
 Denied Balance of fee due: \$ _____

Signature: _____ Date: ____/____/____
Parks and Recreation Director