

# **Jackson Hole Figure Skating Club Scholarship Program**

**Adopted October 2004, JHFSC Board of Directors**

The Jackson Hole Figure Skating Club (JHFSC) Board of Directors established a Scholarship Program in October of 2004. The JHFSC Scholarship Program consists of two types of scholarships...Merit-Based Scholarships and Need-Based Scholarships. These scholarships are described below:

## **JHFSC Merit-Based Scholarships**

### **Criteria**

JHFSC Merit-Based Scholarships may be awarded to Junior/Senior members of the Jackson Hole Figure Skating Club in support of competition in qualifying events at the Northwest Pacific Regional Championships. Merit-Based Scholarships may also awarded to Junior/Senior members who progress to *and attend* Junior Nationals, Sectionals, and Nationals.

To be eligible for consideration of a Merit-Based Scholarship, the Junior/Senior member must have been an ACTIVE member of the JHFSC for at least one calendar year prior to the Northwest Pacific Regional Championships. ACTIVE membership is defined as a skater who has met at least five of the following eight criteria during the previous calendar year:

1. Skated in the Holiday Show
2. Competed in the Jackson Hole Invitational
3. Registered for the full season of lessons in the JHFSC Skating School OR worked for the full season as a coach (paid or volunteer) for the JHFSC Skating School
4. Skated in the Spring Show
5. Sold at least \$250 worth of merchandise for our Fall Fundraiser (currently cookie dough sales of 25 tubs or more)
6. Worked at a game or other position for the Carnival on Ice
7. Worked a minimum of 5 hours at the Jackson Hole Invitational (running, playing music, monitor, etc)
8. Walked with the Jackson Hole Figure Skating Club in Old Bill's Fun Run

Skaters who meet the above definition of an "active membership" will be eligible to receive a Merit-Based Scholarship from the Jackson Hole Figure Skating Club.

### **Scholarship Amounts**

For skaters who meet the above eligibility requirements, the JHFSC Merit-Based Scholarship Program may pay for actual *qualifying event entry fees* for the Northwest Pacific Regional Championships. (Non-qualifying event entry fees will NOT be paid for by Merit Based Scholarship Program.)

For skaters who meet the above eligibility requirements and progress to (*and attend*) Sectionals or Junior Nationals, an additional Merit Based Scholarship of up to \$250 may be provided to assist with travel and lodging expenses.

For skaters who meet the above eligibility requirements and progress to (*and attend*) Nationals, an additional Merit Based Scholarship of up to \$500 may be provided to assist with travel and lodging expenses.

### **Procedure to Request Funding**

Skaters who believe they qualify for a Merit Based Scholarship should make their request for funding to the JHFSC President. Skaters must include evidence of their ACTIVE membership status, evidence of actual qualifying event entry fee amount, and the amount requested. The President will then present the request to the JHFSC Board of Directors for consideration. The JHFSC Board of Directors will make an award up to the maximum scholarship amounts described above, dependent upon the financial ability of the JFHSC.

## ***JHFSC Need-Based Scholarships***

### ***Criteria***

JHFSC Need-Based Scholarships may be awarded to assist skaters who demonstrate significant financial need with their skating school registration fees.

To be eligible for consideration of a Need-Based Scholarship, the skater (or his/her family) must demonstrate that they would not be able to skate (or continue to skate) in the JHFSC's skating school program without financial assistance. *NOTE: Skaters who are taking private lessons are not eligible to receive JHFSC Need-Based Scholarships as they are considered fully able to participate in the JHFSC skating school group lessons without financial assistance.*

### ***Scholarship Amounts***

Scholarship amounts will vary, based upon individual need. Families will be asked to pay what they can, with the JHFSC Need-Based Scholarship supplementing their ability to pay.

The total amount of Need-Based Scholarships available will be limited to the funds collected by the JHFSC from the sale of Board Space at the Snow King Center Ice Arena. Once a season's Need-Based Scholarship Fund is expended, no more scholarships will be offered unless additional funding is obtained.

JHFSC Need-Based Scholarships will only be offered to help pay for registration fees in the JHFSC skating school programs.

### ***Procedure to Request Funding***

Skaters who could not skate or continue to skate without receiving a Need-Based Scholarship should make their request for assistance to the JHFSC Club Manager. The Club Manager will discuss their needs and will then present the request and a recommendation to the JHFSC Board of Directors for approval.