



Teach a Child to Swim Scholarship Program

The City of Dallas Park and Recreation Department maintains a scholarship fund to help those who do not have the financial means to participate in swim lessons. *We believe every child should have the opportunity to learn lifesaving swimming skills regardless of the ability to pay.* The scholarship program is made possible through donations from businesses and individuals primarily through the water bill donation envelope program.

Who is eligible for financial assistance?

Residents of the City of Dallas may apply for financial assistance. Approval of the application is made on an individual basis. The amount of assistance is determined using a sliding scale based on the total household income and the number of people in the household.

What type of information is required for the application?

You will need to complete a scholarship application and provide proof Dallas residency (copy of water, utility or phone bill) **and** proof of participation in another qualified financial assistance program **or** household income (a recent pay stub from your employer or a copy of last year's tax return).

What if I receive financial assistance from another agency?

If you receive financial assistance from WIC, CHIP, TANF, SNAP or Medicaid you will be qualified for the scholarship program. You will need to supply proof of your current participation in one of the programs and will not be required to submit copies of pay stubs or tax returns.

Is there a maximum scholarship amount that can be given?

The typical financial award is \$40 per child, per year, which is the cost of one swim lesson session. Depending on the success of fundraising efforts, additional scholarships may be granted.

Who will be reviewing my application?

The Scholarship Coordinator will review your application to determine eligibility. All information is handled confidentially. Once the application and all supporting documents have been submitted, you will be contacted to review the outcome of your application.

How do I apply for assistance?

To apply, simply contact the Aquatics office to obtain an application, download one from our website or pick one up from your local community swimming pool. Once the completed application and supporting documentation has been submitted, the Scholarship Coordinator will review all documents and contact you within 5 working days of receipt to let you know if you have been approved.

Once approved, how do I register for class?

If approval is granted, the Scholarship Coordinator will contact you to complete your registration. If you have received a partial scholarship, you will be responsible for paying the difference. Registration is not complete until you have received confirmation from the Scholarship Coordinator.

For more information, please contact:

**Dallas Park & Recreation Department
Aquatic Services Division
833 Sunset Inn Circle
214-670-1926**

www.dallasaquatics.org





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POOL: _____

HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD REQUESTING ASSISTANCE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____

ZIP: _____

PHONE#: _____

ALT. PHONE #: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

Number of Adults living in the household _____

Number of Children living in the household _____

Dependents who reside in your home (please mark the names that are requesting a scholarship)

- Name: _____ Birthdate: _____ Age: _____ Gender: _____
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Employment

Are you currently employed? YES NO Occupation: _____

Employers Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Household Monthly Income

Wages: _____

Child Support/Alimony: _____

Social Security: _____

Pension/Retirement: _____

Food Stamps: _____

Other: _____

Unemployment: _____

Total: _____

I affirm to the best of my knowledge that the above information is true and complete. I agree to provide assistance or income documentation as requested, thereby completing the application. I understand this financial assistance is short term and will be reviewed regularly.

Applicant's signature

Date

With this application, please attach the following supporting documentation:

1. Current proof of participation in WIC, CHIP, TNAF, SNAP or Medicaid
OR
A recent pay stub or a copy of last year's Federal Tax Return
2. Proof of Dallas residency (copy of water, utility or phone bill)

