



**OUR GOAL** // The Park District of Oak Park is dedicated to helping serve the residents of Oak Park. Scholarship funds are available to assist low income individuals and families in participating in Park District of Oak Park programs. Scholarship funds are provided by the Park District of Oak Park, the Oak Park Township, and by individual donors.

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**OUR MISSION** // In partnership with the community, we enrich lives by providing meaningful experiences through programs, parks, and facilities.

# SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM



708.725.2000 // [www.pdop.org](http://www.pdop.org)





### AM I AND/OR MY FAMILY ELIGIBLE?

Eligible individuals and families must satisfy the following criteria:

1. Must be a resident of Oak Park
2. Income must be within guidelines that District 97 Schools follow for the free and reduced lunch program. (See application for details)
3. Activity attendance, pass usage, and conduct will be a consideration annually when granting funds to repeat families.

\* Must be able to provide proof of residency, income, and proof of dependents as defined on the application.



### WHAT TYPE OF PROGRAMS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS?

Scholarship funds can be used for all programs and passes offered by the Park District of Oak Park. (i.e. camps, classes, pool passes, trips). Funds are not eligible for daily visits, equipment purchases, or rental fees.



### WILL FULL FUNDING FOR PROGRAMS BE PROVIDED AND HOW MUCH IS AVAILABLE?

Depending on your household size and income, up to 75% of fees may be granted (up to specified maximums) per program season, as defined on the application.



### WHEN AND HOW CAN I APPLY?

Applications must be filled out annually. Applications along with supporting eligibility documents are accepted anytime at the **Park District Gymnastics and Recreation Center (GRC) at 21 Lake St.** during open customer service hours. You may also mail your packet to:

**Customer Service Manager  
Park District of Oak Park  
21 Lake Street  
Oak Park, IL 60302**



### DO I HAVE TO RENEW MY SCHOLARSHIP EVERY YEAR?

**Yes**, our scholarship program runs January 1st through December 31st of each year. Applications can be accepted starting December 15th for the upcoming calendar year.



### WHERE CAN I FIND THE APPLICATION?

You can print out an application from our website at: [www.pdop.org/scholarships.htm](http://www.pdop.org/scholarships.htm) or pick up an application at one of our Customer Service locations.



### I'VE SUBMITTED MY APPLICATION AND DOCUMENTATION. WHEN WILL I KNOW IF A SCHOLARSHIP HAS BEEN APPROVED?

Depending on the season, scholarship applications may take **7-10 business days** for a response. Responses are given via email and phone. Funds are available on a first come, first serve basis until all funding has been issued.



### IS THERE SOMEONE I CAN CONTACT IF I HAVE QUESTIONS?

**Yes!** Our customer service department is available to answer your scholarship questions as well as any registration questions. They can be reached at **708.725.2000** during open business hours. You may also email [info@pdop.org](mailto:info@pdop.org) with any questions you may have.