



YSA Stein Eriksen Dare to Dream Scholarship Criteria

Purpose - Youth Sports Alliance (YSA) offers need-based scholarships to deserving athletes who are enrolled in YSA member programs. YSA Stein Eriksen Dare to Dream Scholarships provide financial assistance to dedicated athletes who are faced with the inability to participate or compete without the help of outside funding. Funds for the scholarship are provided by the Stein Eriksen YSA Opportunity Endowment and scholarship donations made during JANS Winter Welcome, an annual fundraising dinner.

Qualification Criteria – To qualify for the YSA Stein Eriksen Endowment Dare to Dream Scholarship, the athlete must:

- a) Train with a YSA member program. YSA member teams include: Figure Skating Club of Park City, Park City Ice Miners, Park City Ski and Snowboard, Park City Speed Skating Club, Wasatch Freestyle Foundation, Wasatch Luge, and UOP Bobsled and Skeleton;
- b) Meet YSA age requirements:
 1. Athletes who have passed the age of 21 as of December 31 of the calendar year in which the scholarship application is filed are no longer eligible for scholarship support notwithstanding any other provision of possible eligibility; and
 2. YSA discourages scholarship applications from athletes who have not achieved Age 7 as of December 31 of the calendar year in which the scholarship application is filed.
- c) Demonstrate a commitment to his/her sport and a desire to continue in the sport;
- d) Demonstrate financial need;
- e) Receive recommendation from their Program Director or Coach; and
- f) Maintain good standing with his/her respective club, demonstrating positive characteristics, behaviors, and values.

Please note, *first-year member of a national team who trained with a YSA-member team and has not by been awarded adequate funding for national team participation may apply for this scholarship.*

Scholarship awards will be paid directly to the recipient's program, which will be responsible for managing and tracking scholarship funds awarded to the athlete. In the case of a first-year member of a national team, YSA can pay the national governing body directly if preferred by the member team. The member team must notify YSA of this request.

The program will be expected to provide a brief written report of disbursements prior to the next scholarship application period.

Approved Expenses – Scholarship awards may be used to cover or partially cover any of the following:

- a) Program fees;
 - b) Entry fees and travel expenses for sanctioned competitions; and
 - c) Fees for camps organized by member program or sanctioned by national governing body.
- Scholarship will not support commercial camps.

Application Process - To receive the YSA Stein Eriksen Dare to Dream Scholarship, the applicant must:

- a) Complete and return application to the YSA. Forms can be found on ysaparkcity.org;
- b) Provide specific documentation about his/her financial need, including but not limited to the past two years' tax returns. If applicant is part of a multi-household family, tax returns must be provided for all households (all financial supporters), even if applicant is over 18 years of age and submits an individual tax return; and
- c) Provide program coach with the Coach's Recommendation Form. The coach will return directly to YSA;

After application process is completed:

- d) The Scholarship Committee assesses the applications and determines the number of scholarships and awards to be offered;
- e) YSA will notify both applicant and team program manager of scholarship award;
- f) YSA will pay member team the awarded amounts;
- g) Member team will apply awarded amount to scholarship recipient's account;
- h) Member team will provide YSA with a report showing athlete's expenditures;
- i) Scholarship recipient will complete the End of Season YSA Stein Eriksen Dare to Dream Scholarship Recipient Report upon end of sport season and return it to YSA;
- j) Scholarship recipient will write two Thank You letters addressed to "Dear YSA Donor" and mail to YSA.

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The mission of the **Youth Sports Alliance** is to support winter sports activities for youth in Summit and Wasatch counties, promoting good sportsmanship and healthy lifestyles through participation, education and competition. The Alliance encourages all athletes to adopt and embrace the following core values:

SPORTSMANSHIP

Abide by the rules of your sport, respect your opponents, and conduct yourself in such a manner that others will admire your attitude, no matter whether you win or lose.

PERSEVERANCE

Sports will challenge you mentally and physically. Learn to give 100% despite difficulties and setbacks. "Never, never, never give up."

OPTIMISM

Sport is a journey. Learn to enjoy the practice and preparation as much as you do the end result. With the right outlook, you can enjoy striving to reach your goals and also continue to be involved in your sport throughout your life.

RESPECT

Always show respect for yourself, your teammates, your coaches, and your opponents. Also admire and honor the history and traditions of your sport.

TEAMWORK

Work together toward a common goal. Put the team ahead of yourself. A single snowflake seems so fragile, but look what they can do when they stick together!

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