

Assistance Grant Policy:

Girls Team

Achievement of RGA and team goals is best achieved by stability in our classes and teams. These scholarships are to bridge temporary disruptions in a member's financial situation due to job loss, medical emergencies, etc.

The amount of assistance is determined by the RGA Scholarship Committee and the Board of Directors, and may vary from year to year depending upon financial status and cash balance of the RGA Tuition Assistance fund. Further information is available at the front desk.

Instructions for Tuition Assistance:

1. Fill out the application form completely
2. Provide letter from parent or guardian requesting tuition assistance and explain circumstances
3. Provide most recent tax return or evidence of financial need which may include:
 - a. Layoff notice
 - b. Paycheck stubs
 - c. Medical records
 - d. Family budget
4. Gather any additional documentation that may be relevant
5. Submit all of the information above in a secured envelope to the Office Manager

If any additional information is requested, you must provide it within 15 days. All information and documents will be kept in a secured location and will be kept confidential.

Assistance & Scholarship Procedures

Length of Time for Assistance:

Scholarships are awarded for a maximum duration of 12 months. All scholarships will be accepted and reviewed by the office manager. Families will then be asked to re-apply or to submit updated information in order to receive assistance.

While the program is reviewed annually, we do recognize that opportunities may present themselves anytime during the year.

Administration:

The Board of Directors will appoint representatives to the RGA Scholarship Committee which will include one board member. The RGA Scholarship Committee will evaluate all applications and the Office Manager will implement the Financial Needs Tuition Assistance Program.

Amount of Assistance to be Awarded:

For applicants that meet both of the financial and procedural requirements, the level of assistance awarded will be based on a sliding point scale.

Families receiving assistance are expected to pay the annual registration fee and be members in good standing. Families must also adhere to due dates for tuition and other fees. Failure to do so will result in the assistance being revoked and an inability to re-apply. If you wish to add additional classes or siblings to your tuition assistance grant, you must re-apply.

Applicants must conduct themselves as responsible members of the RGA community, in accordance with the expectations established in the RGA Mission Statement. Should the coach and/or instructor determine otherwise, the RGA Directors will make a determination if assistance should be terminated or not.

Notification:

The Office Manager and the RGA Scholarship Committee will evaluate the application and respond to the applying family within 30 days from date of receipt of the completed application package. Families will then be notified of a response date. Families are responsible for informing the Office Manager of any changes in income or circumstances within 30 days of the occurrence of the change.

Competitive Scholarship Policy

It is the intent of Riverside Gymnastics Academy to offer a Competitive Scholarship to RGA athletes who are competing for, and have a desire to continue to compete for, the Riverside Gymnastics Academy.

The scholarship award may include:

- An amount credited to your account monthly throughout the year
- An allotment to the athlete for equipment and uniform needs (grips, hoops, skirt, leotard, etc.)
- Regional/national meet fees

The amount of the award will be determined and approved by the RGA Scholarship Committee based on the documents submitted in the application and an athlete interview.

Eligibility:

- Athlete must be an RGA team member for a period of at least one year prior to applying for a Competitive Scholarship.
- Athlete must demonstrate good character and strong work ethic.
- Athlete must demonstrate consistency in attending scheduled workouts.
- Coaches' recommendation is required.
- Athlete must have a cumulative 3.50, non-weighted, grade point average, or equivalent

Requirements:

1. Turn in a completed application form. If any question is not applicable to you, please write "N/A" in that space.
2. Provide letters of recommendation from:
 - Your coach
 - A teacher or mentor
 - A community leader
3. All letters of recommendation should include your relationship with the person writing the letter, and should address your work ethic, leadership, personality and character. In addition, the letters should specifically speak to why you are a deserving candidate for this scholarship.
4. Write an essay about yourself, your goals, the role of gymnastics has played in your life and why you are a candidate that should be awarded this scholarship.
5. Submit all requested information in an envelope to the RGA Office Manager.
6. Scholarship packet should be collated and stapled in the following order:
 - Scholarship application form(s) completed and signed.
 - Your three letters of recommendation
 - Your essay
 - School transcript or report card

Review Process:

- Completed application packet is returned to the Office Manager.
- RGA Scholarship Committee and Board Members will evaluate all scholarship packets and select eligible candidates.
- Candidate's applications will be forwarded to the scholarship committee for review.
- Applicants will be interviewed by the scholarship committee.
- Committee will make determination of awards.
- If an athlete leaves RGA while on scholarship, any unused funds will be returned to the competitive scholarship fund.

Application Form – Competitive Scholarship

Date: _____

Athlete's Name: _____

DOB: _____

Name of Parent/Guardian Applying: _____

Relationship to Child: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

Date Started at RGA: _____

Competition Level: _____

School: _____

GPA (non-weighted): _____

***I certify that all information submitted on this application, as well as any additional forms or paperwork, is true and completed; and I also understand that if any false information, omissions, or misrepresentations are discovered my application may be rejected.**

Signature of applicant

***PLEASE SUPPLY REQUESTED DOCUMENTS WHEN SUBMITTING APPLICATION.**