

# Sandy Springs Football & Cheerleading

## 2007 Scholarship Application

### Overview

In years past, it was always the goal of Sandy Springs Football and Cheerleading to accommodate as many children as possible, no matter what the family's financial condition. Unfortunately, the program will not be able to offer scholarships that are funded from the operating budget. However, thanks to the generous support of sponsors we have limited funds available for deserving student athletes who have special financial needs.

With cutbacks in corporate charitable donations, dwindling available resources in grant programs, and loss of revenues from uncollected fees from years past, we are exploring new ways to fund our youth sports initiatives. It is the goal of the program to find sponsorship for all children who are not able to meet the entire registration fee requirement, but it is also the goal of the program to remain financially solvent. This is the only way that we can continue to provide a safe environment in which to participate in youth football and cheerleading.

If your family has special financial needs, the first step is to fill out the attached application with your child. Also, be aware that administration of a scholarship program requires year-round reporting on academic progress of student athletes, community involvement, and parent/guardian participation with projects and events associated with the program.

### Step 1 -

Determine whether or not a payment plan can meet your needs. \$100. at registration, and 2 add'l monthly payments will have the tuition paid in full in a timely manner.

If this payment plan is still out of reach, please fill out the enclosed application ASAP and submit it with \$100 per athlete (equipment deposit collected later). The program board, working in concert with parents and guardians of participants, will make every effort to secure corporate/grant funding for scholarship applicants providing they meet the requirements set forth below.

## **Requirements of Program**

1. Family is currently participating in Fulton County School Lunch Program, eligible for Food Stamp Vouchers, or WIC Vouchers.
2. Student athlete has passing grades in all classes (NO Pass - No Play).
3. Parent/guardian/student athlete must contribute time in concession stand or team/park administrative functions or at Park workdays to offset program costs (if accepted).
4. Family agrees to remain in contact with program administrator/s to track student progress for a period of 1 year (if accepted).
5. Parent/guardian/students understand that even if a scholarship is granted, the \$75. equipment deposit must be paid.
6. The program may grant partial scholarships based on its assessment of need, and at its sole discretion.

## **Scholarship Application**

Student Athlete Section (please have each child seeking to participate fill out this form).

Please tell us, in your own words, why you want to be a part of Sandy Springs Football & Cheerleading:

How does football or cheerleading help you understand what it means to be part of a team?

Please explain how you believe that the discipline and focus that are part of football and cheerleading will help you in school and life?

How will learning to be part of a team help you when you grow up and go to work?

Is your goal to be able to play football or be on the cheerleading team in High School?

Did you play football or participate in cheerleading at Sandy Springs last year?

Name one thing you have done in past years to help your community (through school, church or charitable organization), and describe how it made you feel.

Parent/Guardian Section (please answer each question completely).

Does your family currently participate in the School Lunch Program or other form of financial aid?

Yes       No

Has there been a recent event (medical emergency, death in family, loss of job, etc) that has changed your family's financial picture?

Yes       No

(If Yes - please describe and include dates and times).

Are you willing to donate time in exchange for scholarship consideration on behalf of your children?

Yes       No

Do you understand that submitting this application does not guarantee inclusion in the program, and that your child may be required to pay full program fees in order to be eligible to play in the event that a corporate sponsor or grant cannot be secured?

Yes       No

Please tell us, in 150 words or less, what being able to participate in Sandy Springs Youth Football & Cheerleading would do for your child (continue on back of form if needed).

Student Athlete Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian (Print Name) \_\_\_\_\_

*All applicants agree, by signature below, that applying for this scholarship in no way guarantees waiver of program fees and/or equipment deposits.*

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

*Thank you for your interest in Sandy Springs Football & Cheerleading.*

Note: Please include a recent photo of you child with your application.

Mail completed applications to:

Sandy Springs Football & Cheerleading  
P.O. Box 76602  
Atlanta GA 30358

If you have questions, please call us at 404-921-0075.