



DODGE COUNTY YOUTH HOCKEY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE POLICY

Reviewed 2023

1. All families requesting Financial Assistance consideration must complete the Financial Aid application on the Dodge County Hockey Association website by the designated date on form. Incomplete applications or applications not received prior to the deadline will not be accepted.
2. Available funds for financial aid are established by the Dodge County Youth Hockey Association budget for the current season. Applicant aid will be awarded based on confirmed eligibility for financial support from other organizations, including but not limited to the State of Minnesota, County of Residence, the US Government, etc documentation.
3. Supporting documentation confirming eligibility will be required as part of the application process. Acceptable documentation includes the "Free and Reduced-Price Meals Application" approval letter from the attending school district for the current hockey season and school year.
4. Acceptable alternatives to the Free and Reduced Meals Application form are supporting documentation from the following programs (not a complete list): EBT, Diversionary Work Program (DWP), EAP, WAP, MFIP, Medical Assistance, MNSure, MNCare, SNAP, SSDI, Food Stamps, or Food Support.
5. Applicants may apply for full assistance, partial assistance, or a payment plan (For Partial Assistance or Payment Plan full payment must be received before 12/31 of current year).
6. As part of the DCYH's annual budget, the association will determine a dollar amount that will be set aside for financial assistance. The total amount of the assistance that is awarded cannot exceed the amount budgeted.
7. Financial assistance is designed to help families get through periods of financial stress. This program is not designated as an annual subsidy and is limited to three years per player. The assistance provided only covers the base registration fees. The maximum assistance provided will be 100% of the base registration fees in year 1, 60% in year 2 and 30% in year 3 or based on the funds available. The policy does not cover any team assessments, additional cost associated with team building, additional team tournaments, etc. All financial assistance will be solely for the registration portion only.
8. Preference will be given to those applicants whose families qualify for public assistance programs such as school lunch subsidies, medical assistance, and unemployment insurance.

9. Each DCYH family must complete the required volunteer hours (DIBS) and Fundraising requirements as detailed by the association. If a family is awarded financial aid from DCYH and doesn't meet the required volunteer hours for that season, they will not be eligible for financial aid in the future.

10. Financial assistance is provided at the sole discretion of the Dodge County Executive Committee of the Dodge County Hockey Association. All information is kept confidential. Your name and needs stay strictly confidential with the Registrar, any specific needs or details will be brought to the DCYH Executive Committee, redacted, for final approval.