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To: Baseball B.C. Athlete Assistance Scholarship Candidates
From: Scott MacKenzie - Director of Operations
Date: February 1st, 2024
Re: **BASEBALL B.C. ATHLETE ASSISTANCE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

Please find enclosed an application package for the Baseball B.C. Athlete Assistance Scholarship Program.

All relevant information is included in this package concerning the athlete's responsibilities and the various timelines associated with this program.

Of note is that assistance is only offered to those athletes that are attending **post-secondary** educational institutions.

This year scholarships will consist of four equal awards of \$1000 each unless one is awarded to two equal recipients of \$500 each.

Please review the information and submit your application forms to Baseball BC **by 11:59pm March 8th** to consider yourself a candidate.

Best wishes in your athletic and academic endeavors.

C.c. Baseball BC Athlete Assistance Scholarship Selection Committee



BASEBALL B.C. ATHLETE ASSISTANCE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM (BBC AASP)

Guidelines for Selection of Athlete Recipients

1.0 General

The ***Baseball B.C. Athlete Assistance Scholarship Program*** (BBC AASP) is a student athlete-centered program of financial assistance funded & administered by the B.C Amateur Baseball Association (Baseball B.C.). The Program seeks to recognize and support BC high performance athletes striving to represent the Province and Canada in athletic competition. Athletes who have demonstrated the potential and commitment to attain this level of excellence can qualify for financial support, in the form of a scholarship, based on relative levels of development and competition achieved within the overall limits of funds available.

The program seeks to relieve some of the pressures associated with training and competition needs when participating in provincial, national, international, and collegiate sport. The focus of BC AASP funding is for those athletes who are in the position to compete for Team BC &/or Team Canada and are just below those receiving Sport Canada funding, however athletes in receipt of Sport Canada funding may be eligible for BC AASP funding. This financial assistance will ensure a continuum of support for the development of national and international class BC athletes.

In other words, the Baseball BC Athlete Assistance Scholarship Program awards allocated funds to help defray training costs to worthy participants who meet the selection criteria provided in the text below.

Program Objectives

- To contribute to improved performance and to focus support for Baseball BC athletes in the “training to compete” and “training to win” stages of Canadian Sport for Life – Long Term Athlete Development Model
- To increase the number of Baseball BC athletes reaching federal carding status thus expanding BC representation on national teams and at eligible major international multi-sport Games
- To assist Baseball BC athletes in reaching their athletic potential

2.0 Administration of the Baseball BC Athlete Assistance Program (BBC AASP)

The Selection Committee: The Baseball BC AASP Selection Committee is responsible for the identification, nomination, and ranking of athletes for funding assistance through the Baseball BC Athlete Assistance Scholarship Program. The Selection Committee will be composed of individuals from the broad-based membership of Baseball BC.

Applications: All applicants must meet the Baseball BC selection criteria as identified in Section 4
Note: The application by an athlete does not guarantee that the athlete will receive Baseball BC AASP funding.

Equitable: Athletes at differing levels of excellence may receive commensurate levels of financial support, based on the selection criteria and rankings established by Baseball BC (see Section 4.0). This process will consider any educational or working environment of the athlete, the required time and financial commitment of the athlete to excel in the sport of Baseball, and the overall limits of funds available.

3.0 Eligibility Requirements for the Athlete Assistance Program

Training and Competition: This program is aligned with the Canadian Sport for life – Long Term Development (LTD) Model, therefore athletes should be involved in programs & competitions that are within the Sport for Life LTD stages or “Train to Compete” and/or “Train to Win” as defined by Baseball Canada. Athletes who meet the eligible stages of the LTD model are expected to be involved in a year-round training plan and regularly working with a high level NCCP coach.

Citizenship and Residency: To be eligible for an award, an athlete must be a Canadian citizen or be of landed immigrant status, and a resident of British Columbia for at least three months prior to his/her date of application.

Use of Banned Substances and Methods: BC’s Policy on Sport and Physical Activity clearly outlines the “ethical pursuit of excellence” – which includes competing without the use of banned substances – as one of its pillars of support to sport. Baseball BC & The Province of British Columbia strongly opposes the use of prohibited substances and methods as they are contrary to the ethics of sport and may be harmful to the health of athletes. Suspended athletes will be declared permanently ineligible for Baseball BC Athlete Assistance Scholarship Funding.

Coaching: To aid in being eligible for funding assistance, athletes should be regularly coached by individuals who meet the established coaching qualification criteria such as the National Coaching Certification Program (NCCP) standards (see Section 4).

Commitment to Baseball BC: Any athlete receiving financial assistance from Baseball BC must be available for provincial team selections, if applicable, unless made unavailable due to national program commitments, and if selected, commit to train, and represent British Columbia and the sport of Baseball in the applicable competition.

PSO Membership: Athletes receiving financial assistance must be or previously been members in good standing of Baseball BC. They are also expected to make themselves available to contribute to athlete development and coaching development programs delivered by baseball in BC.

Federally Carded Athletes: Athletes receiving Sport Canada funding (S1/S2) are eligible for BC AASP funding.

Athlete Selection: Athlete selection will be made according to the criteria set out in Section 4 of this document, with preference given to developing high performance athletes.

Selection Criteria: The Baseball BC AASP Selection Committee is responsible for developing and publishing the selection criteria and standards that will be utilized in the identification, ranking and selection of athletes. It is the responsibility of the Selection Committee to ensure fair, equitable and consistent application of the standards.

Funding Level: Consideration by the Selection Committee will be given to the required time and financial commitment required to excel in the sport, and the educational or working environment of the athlete. Total available funding is \$4000.

Use of Funds: Athletes receiving funding through Baseball BC AASP can spend the funding obtained for the following purposes:

- Tuition Costs
- Normal living costs
- Costs directly associated with training
- Costs associated with attending training camps and competitions (entry fees, travel, etc...)
- Sport specific equipment

4.0 Baseball BC AASP Selection Criteria

Tangible criteria required for selection are as follows:

1. Athlete must have participated in Baseball BC's High-Performance Programming
2. Athlete must be registered & attending a Post-Secondary Institution, both currently (spring) & for a full semester (fall/winter) before applying.
 - a. Proof of Registration for spring must be supplied with application
3. Athlete must achieve & maintain a minimal Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.50 or 62.5%
 - a. Copy of Transcript must be supplied with application
4. Athlete must commit to representing Baseball B.C. & Baseball Canada when requested
5. Athlete must be a "in good standing" with Baseball BC

The following are the criteria which will be used by the Selection Committee as guidelines for Baseball athletes seeking to qualify for the Baseball B.C. Athlete Assistance Scholarship Program.

1. Meet all eligibility requirements.
2. Demonstrate a continued commitment to Baseball training using LTAD ideals.
3. Coached or instructed by those meeting NCCP equivalencies for Baseball to be considered
4. Demonstrate excellence in performance &/or potential for improvement in the sport of Baseball
5. Demonstrate dedication to Baseball other than training
6. Contribute to the development of Baseball in BC for minimal 3 month a year.
7. Overall attitude, commitment, & desire to excel in Baseball
8. Personal deportment & citizenship



BASEBALL B.C. ATHLETE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION


PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

DATE: _____

1. ATHLETE FULL NAME: _____
 - ADDRESS: _____
 - CITY: _____
 - POSTAL CODE: _____
 - E-MAIL: _____
 - PHONE NUMBERS:(1) _____ (2) _____

2. COLLEGE / UNIVERSITY: _____
 - LOCATION: _____
 - ACADEMIC YEAR/SEMESTER: _____
 - POST SECONDARY PROGRAM: _____
 - MINORS / MAJORS: _____
 - PLAYING BASEBALL (YES or NO): _____
 - SCHOLARSHIPS/BURSARIES AMOUNT Per Yr.: _____

3. BASEBALL PROGRAMING: _____
 - BASEBALL B.C. (PAST & PRESENT): _____
 - OTHER BASEBALL INVOLVEMENT: _____
 - B.C. CONTRIBUTIONS PAST 12 MONTHS: _____

 FEEL FREE TO ATTACH MORE INFORMATION THAT WILL HELP

- 4a. REFERENCE NAME #1: _____
 - PHONE NUMBER(s): _____
 - RELATIONSHIP: _____

- 4b. REFERENCE NAME #2: _____
 - PHONE NUMBER(s): _____
 - RELATIONSHIP: _____

SEND VIA MAIL W/ SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION TO:

Baseball BC
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Or scan all required documents and email scottm@baseball.bc.ca



BASEBALL B.C.

ATHLETIC ASSISTANCE SCHOLARSHIP

PROGRAM AGREEMENT

I, _____, agree to the following terms and conditions as they relate to Baseball B.C.'s Athletic Assistance Scholarship Program.

- A. All athletes will provide the following:
- (1) Proof of academic registration outlining courses enrolled in.
 - (2) Transcript copy showing academic standing for each term/year.
NOTE: ALL ATHLETES MUST MAINTAIN ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY.
 - (3) Documentation outlining all sources of financial assistance.
 - (4) All athletes will be available for all Baseball B.C. programs and subsequent National/International competitive opportunities if/when selected.
- B. Failure to comply with these regulations will result in the cancellation of financial assistance and/or the return of any monies forwarded by Baseball B.C.
- C. I have read the details concerning Baseball B.C.'s Athlete Assistance Scholarship Program and I agree to all conditions outlined within, in addition to the above.

ATHLETE: _____

SIGNED: _____

DATE: _____



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