

# Pasco Youth Scholarship Program – General Information

Pasco Recreation Services seeks and receives contributions from HUD Community Development Block Grant Funds, individuals, social groups, clubs, businesses, and service organizations to assist in providing scholarships for youth, enabling them opportunities to participate in Recreation programs.

1. Scholarships are awarded to City of Pasco residents only; proof of residency required.
2. Scholarships are not guaranteed and are available on an as-needed basis. Information based on Washington state poverty guidelines at a rate of 80% of area median income.
3. Pasco Recreation Youth Scholarship Program is funded by HUD Community Development Block Grant Funds and community donations. This program is based on funds available.
4. Each qualifying child will be eligible to receive a scholarship as follows:
  - a. 75% discount per class (rounded up) - max 3 classes for the January-April Recreation Guide
  - b. 75% discount per class (rounded up) - max 3 classes for the September-December Recreation Guide
  - c. 75% discount per class (rounded up) – maximum of 4 classes for the May-August Recreation Guide, a minimum of 2 classes must be swim lessons.  
**Scholarship Exception:** Swim Lesson classes are \$5 out of pocket; the 75% discount doesn't apply.
  - d. Customer must pay a minimum of \$5 per class
  - e. Swim Pass/Family Pass \$25 discount per child, up to 4 children discounted per family.
5. Scholarship expires at the end of April yearly and must be renewed for continued eligibility.
6. Scholarship applications must be completed prior to the program start date and registration date. Stop by the Recreation office Monday-Friday between 8 am-3 pm. This can be a multi-step process and may take multiple visits to complete. Applications will not be accepted on Swim Lesson registration days.
7. Scholarship application approval does not automatically register that person into the program of choice. Registration for any program is the responsibility of the family requesting assistance. All payments must be received prior to registration deadlines and participation.
8. All program registration using a Youth Scholarship must be performed in the Recreation office.

## ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES AND APPLICATION PROCESS:

- Complete the Household Information Form
- Provide proof of City of Pasco Residency
  - This can be in the form of a current utility bill, housing lease, etc. - must be primary residence of participant; a business address is disqualifying.
- Must complete the Income Eligibility Form
  - All adult household members must provide proof of income or sign the Non- Applicant Certification of Income document.
  - Proof of Income – Copy of current year's 1040 tax return (first page with AGI, social security numbers blacked out), Social Security benefits statement, or DSHS benefits approval letter.
  - Complete the Scholarship Application Form
  - Participants 17 years of age and under living within Pasco city limits are eligible for scholarship assistance. They must be on current taxes or have legal written proof as to who claims them financially.