**Application for Scholarships**

All individual youth scholarship requests must be made via an official West Girls Lacrosse (WGL) Scholarship Application. **Applications must be submitted before or on the due date for Scholarship requests indicated on the westgirlslax.com website for each season.** WGL reserves the right to deny any scholarship application received after the deadline. The application should be emailed to [Secretary@westgirlslax.com](mailto:Secretary@westgirlslax.com)

**Scholarship Decisions**

The WGL Board President, Treasurer & Secretary make up the scholarship committee. Decisions made by the Scholarship Committee include the following:

1. Whether or not a scholarship will be awarded,
2. The amount of that award, and
3. Any expectations for the recipient of the award.

The information on the scholarship application will be viewed only by the Scholarship Committee, and that committee’s members will not share the information with any other parties without the express permission of the applicant. The Scholarship Committee will notify applicants of their award decision within three days of the date that the scholarship application was received.

**Scholarship Criteria**

Unfortunately, the Scholarship Committee is not always able to award full scholarships to all applicants but, we do exhaust all avenues from partial scholarships to extended payment plans, etc., to insure no one is ever turned away for financial reasons. The following factors are considered in the scholarship decision-making process:

* **Financial need.** Financial need is the most important factor affecting the strength of a scholarship application. Applications that do not demonstrate financial need are typically not considered. An applicant’s personal statement explaining the financial hardship is the primary indicator of financial need considered by the Scholarship Committee. As long as applicants continue to use this process respectfully, we will continue to require no other “official” documentation of financial need for individual scholarships.
* **Time of application.** Scholarships will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis.