

Scholarship Guidelines

Please see Google Form for the deadline to submit requests each year.

Westview Lacrosse (WV LAX) encourages and supports participation in the Westview High School lacrosse program – including men's and women's teams – by all interested students.

As a matter of general philosophy, WV LAX believes that each interested student should be able to participate in lacrosse regardless of the student's ability to pay the fees and costs associated with the program.

Accordingly, WV LAX hereby adopts the following guidelines for administration of a scholarship program to assist students who do not have the financial ability to pay the fees and costs associated with the lacrosse program.

1. As part of the annual budgeting process, WV LAX shall budget for and set aside a reserve fund to be used for scholarships. The amount of the reserve fund shall be determined by WV LAX in its sole discretion.
2. The purpose of the scholarship reserve fund is to provide a source of funds to be credited to student accounts for fees and costs when the student and the student's immediate family do not have the financial means to pay all of the fees and costs.
3. The WV LAX Board shall take reasonable steps to inform the parents and guardians of incoming freshmen and the membership of WV LAX of the availability of scholarships for students participating in the lacrosse programs.
4. WV LAX shall supply forms for students and the parent or guardian to complete a scholarship request.
5. The WV LAX Board shall appoint a committee of no fewer than three board members ("Scholarship Committee"). No members of the Scholarship Committee shall be related to each other. The WV LAX Board may on its own motion act as the Scholarship Committee.
6. The Scholarship Committee shall meet no later than Feb 10th of each year to review the requests for scholarships. No member of the Scholarship Committee shall act upon a request for a scholarship made by, or for the benefit of, any student related to the member by blood or marriage.

7. In considering requests for scholarships, the Scholarship Committee shall take into account the following:

- The information requested on the scholarship request form
- The available resources within the scholarship reserve fund
- The number of scholarship requests that have been received
- The relative needs of the students requesting scholarships
- The monetary amount of the fees and costs associated with participation in the lacrosse program.
- The amount of fundraiser participation that the student and the student's family are willing to pledge
- The amount of time and effort that the student and the student's family are willing to volunteer with WV LAX
- Any other information that the Scholarship Committee deems appropriate
- The student's lacrosse skills shall NOT be a relevant consideration

8. Except in the most unusual of circumstances, each student requesting a scholarship will be expected to pay at least a minimum part of the fees associated with the lacrosse program.

9. The Scholarship Committee shall prepare written recommendations to the WV LAX Board for scholarship recipients, including the name of the student, the amount of the scholarship recommended, and any other information that the Scholarship Committee deems relevant or the WV LAX Board requests. The WV LAX Board has the final authority for making decisions concerning scholarships.

10. All requests for scholarships and discussions of the Scholarship Committee and the WV LAX Board concerning specific requests for scholarships shall be held in strict confidentiality.

11. No direct payment of funds to students or anyone acting on behalf of a student shall be authorized in any case. Scholarships awarded shall be implemented as a credit against the student's account and a debit to the scholarship reserve fund.

12. No cash refunds for any scholarships shall be provided in any case. If a student's participation in the lacrosse program is terminated for any reason, the credited funds

remaining, if any, shall revert to the scholarship reserve fund or to the general WV LAX budget, as determined by the WV LAX Board in its sole discretion.

13. In all cases, the grant of a scholarship by WV LAX shall be considered a privilege and not a right. No student or family of a student shall have an expectancy of a scholarship.

14. The award of a scholarship to a student in one year does not guarantee an award of a scholarship in another year. Each student requesting a scholarship must complete an application for a scholarship for each year in which a scholarship is desired.

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