



2025-2026 Scholarship Information

The Lincoln Ice Hockey Association (LIHA) is pleased to offer scholarships to assist youth LIHA members in playing hockey. Scholarships are partially funded through tournaments, donations, and sponsorship income that is generated by the association during the course of the year. They are primarily funded through ice fees paid by LIHA members.

Due to the limited amount of scholarship funds available and the number of applications received each year, the LIHA Board of Directors has established the following requirements and parameters for scholarship applicants:

- Priority will be given to applicants who have been a member of LIHA for at least one full season.
- Scholarship recipients may receive a maximum of three (3) LIHA scholarships during their LIHA playing career.
- Scholarships are awarded to House-level players (6U, 8U, 10U, 12U, 14U) for ice fees only. 10U, 12U, and 14U players will be prioritized since 6U and 8U fees are already subsidized by more than \$600 per player.
- Travel, High School Club, and Jr. Stars High School players are not eligible for LIHA scholarships.
- USA Hockey membership fees are not included.
- The maximum scholarship amount allowed is 80% of LIHA ice fees. Scholarship amounts may be adjusted based on several criteria including, but not limited to: funds available, number of years in LIHA, number of years receiving a scholarship, commitment of parent(s) and player volunteering with LIHA, family income, etc.
- Applicant account with LIHA must be in good standing (no outstanding or written-off payments from previous seasons).

Additionally, the LIHA Board of Directors has established the following guidelines for processing scholarship awards:

- The original calculated scholarship amount awarded to a recipient is a projected amount based on the House fees of the recipient's projected team.
- The original calculated scholarship amount is based on projected ice fees as determined by the LIHA Board of Directors at the beginning of the current season.
- Scholarship funds are credited to recipients' accounts in conjunction with the payment terms of the recipients' LIHA ice fees. In other words, the entire amount of the scholarship will not be funded until the regularly scheduled LIHA ice fee payment is due.
- Final scholarship amounts may be adjusted based on the following:
 - Recipient is selected to a different team than the team the original scholarship amount was based upon;
 - Recipient becomes past due on the uncovered/remaining LIHA ice fees;
 - Recipient is not current on their team fees;
 - Recipient and/or parent(s) has/have violated the Codes of Conduct.

LIHA will take all reasonable steps to follow these guidelines, however, LIHA reserves the right to deviate from the guidelines if circumstances warrant.

To be considered for a LIHA scholarship, the following items **must** be submitted with the scholarship application:

1. Complete copy of most recent federal income tax return filed by parent(s) of youth applicant;
2. Copy of most recent paystub(s) with year-to-date summary for parent(s) of youth applicant;
3. Copy of most recent academic report card for youth applicant;
4. Letter written to the Scholarship Committee that:
 - Defines the scholarship request;
 - Explains any special personal circumstances related to the request;
 - Explains the reasoning for the scholarship request;
 - Addresses the parent(s)' availability and commitment to volunteer with LIHA (tournaments, fundraisers, managing, etc.).

The scholarship application deadline for the 2025-2026 season is **Friday, August 15, 2025**. Please ensure that your application is complete, and all of the required documentation listed above is included. **Incomplete applications and applications received after the deadline will not be considered.**

Team	Season	Maximum Scholarship Amount
6U (Mini-Mite) House	Full 2025-2026 Season	80% of \$190 = \$152
8U (Mite) House	Full 2025-2026 Season	80% of \$230 = \$184
10U (Squirt) House	Full 2025-2026 Season	80% of \$935 = \$748
12U (Peewee) House	Full 2025-2026 Season	80% of \$935 = \$748
14U (Bantam) House	Full 2025-2026 Season	80% of \$935 = \$748

Scholarship applications and accompanying documentation can be emailed or mailed and must be received by Friday, August 15, 2025.

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