2017 Financial Aid Guidelines

(Valid April 2017 – March 2018)

Financial Policy & Procedure for Application

The Freeport Park District recognizes the need within our community to provide assistance to residents who do not have the financial resources to participate in the fee-based youth recreation programs we provide. Therefore, the Freeport Park District can provide fee assistance for Freeport Park District residents wishing to participate in youth recreation program(s) solely sponsored by the Freeport Park District.

Scholarships will be granted or denied based upon the Applicant's available information, criteria established and financial aid funds available. The maximum amount of financial aid/fees waived per family is limited to $125 annually. Applications are accepted at the Park District Administration Office located at 1122 S. Burchard Avenue. Applications will be processed as quickly as possible. However, during periods of increased number of requests, this process will take a minimum of 5 working days and can take up to 15 working days to process. Final instructions on obtaining assistance will be given in a letter. Applications for financial aid will be kept confidential and are not a matter of public record of the Park District. Financial aid will be granted or denied without regard to sex, race, creed, religion, handicap, or national origin of the applicant. By completing an Application, the Applicant (1) waives any claim to any right of privacy, and (2) authorizes representatives of the Freeport Park District to communicate with any organization or person listed in the Application and to verify any information provided in the Application.

Eligibility Criteria

Everyone requesting assistance is required to complete a Freeport Park District Financial Aid Application and submit copies of last year's tax returns, including W-2's, and two recent pay stubs from each wage earner. If you do not have a tax return, you must provide documented proof of current enrollment in the State of Illinois' SNAP or TANF program. Eligibility in all cases is based on the following gross household income guidelines:

Household size	Annual Income
1	$19,608
2	26,436
3	33,264
4	40,104
5	46,932
6	53,760
7	60,612
8	67,476

*For each additional person, add $6,864

Financial Aid Limits

Each qualifying family is entitled to $125 annually and entitled to the following:

Youth Recreation Program(s) = Applicant pays 50% of resident registration fee
Note: Participant must be 17 years of age or younger