

CAC Team Scholarship Policy & Guidelines 2025-2026

To help make CHS Athletics accessible to all students, the Cougar Athletic Club (CAC) raises funds each year to help with the overall athletic program as well as to help CHS athletes with demonstrated need. The CAC recognizes that teams and parents often do a large amount of fundraising to help defray team expenses and seeks to help student athletes cover essential expenses above what the team's fundraising or parents can afford. As such, the CAC Team Scholarship program assists these student athletes who have actively participated in fundraising and team activities but still have a financial need.

- The CAC Board reviews applications at our monthly Board Meetings. The application must be received prior to the first Wednesday of the month.
- ONLY CHS Coaches may submit the application to the CACBoard.
- Scholarship Applications will be reviewed confidentially, by the Board, with only the President, Secretary, and Treasurer(s) knowing names of the applicants.
- All areas of the scholarship application MUST be completed in detailand signed.
 Incomplete applications will be returned.
- There is a maximum of \$300 available per individual student in a schoolyear, regardless of the number of sports played. This full amount is not guaranteed based on the available team balance.
- A **maximum of \$625** can be awarded to a team per school year. <u>This amount is not guaranteed pending available funds</u>.
- Preference is given to those student athletes who also actively participate in their team's fundraising efforts and team functions and show overall character and leadership.
- Essential athletic team equipment and fees will be given priority.
- Camp fees are not covered by scholarships and should not be submitted for review.

NOTE: If a scholarship is awarded and the CAC discovers that the scholarship funds are not used for the reason stated on the application, the team will have to refund the scholarship amount to the CAC and the team may be disqualified from applying for future scholarships.

QUESTIONS? If you have any questions about CAC scholarships or the application process, please email CougarAthletic@gmail.com.