FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE GUIDE

A family's guide to affording youth sports — and how Play Without Limits Athletics Foundation can help. No child should sit on the sidelines because of cost.

UNDERSTAND THE REAL COSTS OF A SEASON

- [ ] Registration / league fees and team dues.
- [ ] Uniforms, shoes, and sport-specific equipment.
- [ ] Travel: tournaments, camps, showcases, lodging, and transportation.
- [ ] Technology and academic costs: devices, learning platforms, tutoring.

HOW TO APPLY FOR ASSISTANCE

- [ ] Complete the online Athlete Assistance Application at pwlathletics.org.
- [ ] Include required documentation: invoices, registration forms, or equipment quotes.
- [ ] Note the payment deadline — applications are processed in the order received.
- [ ] Submit early; funding is limited and reviewed against eligibility, need, and available resources.
- [ ] A coach, teacher, or community leader may also nominate your student athlete.

WHAT TO HAVE READY

- [ ] Student information: name, grade, age, school, city/state.
- [ ] Sport, team/organization, and coach contact information.
- [ ] A short description of your financial need.
- [ ] A short explanation of how assistance will benefit the student.

OTHER SOURCES OF SUPPORT

- [ ] League hardship funds and fee waiver programs.
- [ ] School booster clubs and athletic departments.
- [ ] Community foundations and local business sponsorships.
- [ ] Used equipment exchanges and gear donation events.

BUDGET TIPS FOR SPORTS FAMILIES

- [ ] Ask about installment payment plans before the season starts.
- [ ] Buy quality used equipment when possible.
- [ ] Carpool with teammates' families for practices and games.
- [ ] Book tournament travel early for better rates.