



# Everybody Plays

## Spearfish Recreation Scholarship Application



Spearfish Recreation Scholarships are awarded on a first come, first served basis. Scholarships are available for all types of youth programming including swim passes. A 50% match is requested.

### WHO QUALIFIES?

Any age can qualify. Please review the income eligibility requirements. Proof may be requested to complete your application.

Household Size	Annual Income must be less than:
1	\$23,350
2	\$26,700
3	\$30,050
4	\$33,400
5	\$36,750
Each additional family member add:	\$3,350

**HOW TO APPLY:** Please fill out the Spearfish Recreation Scholarship application and return to Spearfish Recreation and Aquatics Director or Recreation Program Specialist. Applications may be dropped off at the Spearfish Rec and Aquatics Center at 122 Recreation Lane or mailed to SRAC, 625 N 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Spearfish SD 57783. Please mark envelope ATTN Director. Only one application is necessary per family.

**OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:** Children receiving scholarships are required to attend at least 80% of all class or program meeting times and 40 visits to the Rec center or Waterpark. Failure to do so will result in termination of eligibility unless approved by the Recreation Director or Specialist.

- *Must be residents* of Spearfish and under the age of 18 to be eligible.
- Household size is determined by parents/guardians and dependents all living at the same address.
- Scholarships can be applied to any Spearfish Recreation and Aquatics Center activity, program, event or pass. Scholarships may not be applied to park rentals or point of sale items.
- Scholarship awards do not constitute enrollment in a program. You must register for any programs separately once approved.
- Please apply for the scholarship at least one month prior to the beginning of desired program.

**CONFIDENTIALITY:** Spearfish Recreation and Aquatics Center will use the information on the application only to decide if your child qualifies to receive a scholarship for eligible activities. Confidentiality will be maintained at all times. Applicants are guaranteed that personal finances will not be discussed outside of the department management. Coaches, instructors or program leaders will not be informed of a participant’s financial or scholarship status.



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### Scholarship Program FAQs

1. **Who can apply for a scholarship?**
  - a. A parent of legal guardian completes the form and is responsible for providing accurate information and proper documentation.
2. **Can I apply for a grandchild, niece, nephew, or other relation?**
  - a. To apply for a scholarship for a child you must be the parent or legal guardian of the child. Scholarship eligibility is based on a combination of family size and household income. We ask for income documentation to determine if the family meets HUD federal income limits. Generally, we follow the IRS definition of legal child (such as a son, daughter, or grandchild, foster child who lives with you more than half the year and meets certain other IRS tests.)
3. **Who should be listed as members of the household?** List information for each household member.
4. **What documentation is required along with my application to verify income?**
  - a. Bring the following documents for all adults in the household to verify eligibility:
    - i. SSI/SSD/Title 19 Statement
    - ii. TANF or Food Assistance cards
    - iii. Most recent tax 1040 (White out all Social Security numbers)
    - iv. Current pay subs
5. **What shouldn't I include for household monthly gross income?**
  - a. Do not include financial aid, fellowships or grants as income.
6. **What if I am a foster parent and want to request a scholarship for a foster child?**
  - a. Foster children are eligible for scholarships. Total household income is not needed. Instead provide documentation verifying the status of the foster child and the income received for the child.
7. **Do I need to be a City resident?**
  - a. Yes, you do need to be permanent resident in Spearfish. The scholarship fund is provided by the City of Spearfish and other donors.
8. **What activities/programs can the scholarship apply to?**
  - a. Youth classes, camps, leagues, summer programs, lessons and activities for youth under 18.
  - b. Access to recreation programs and classes for adults 18 +.
9. **What if I have questions or needs, who do I call?**
  - a. The SRAC facility director, SRAC Recreation and Aquatics Specialist and Community Activities Coordinator can provide assistance. Contact 605-722-1430. Address is 122 Recreation Lane.



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<b>Head of household requesting assistance</b>		
Name: _____	Date: _____	
Address: _____		
Phone: (home) _____	(work) _____	(cell) _____

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: M F

Program/Activity/Membership: (include date or session of activity)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Summer Rec _____          | <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Football _____        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Swim Lessons _____        | <input type="checkbox"/> Fitness Classes _____       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tennis Lessons _____      | <input type="checkbox"/> Rec Center Membership _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adventure Camps _____     | <input type="checkbox"/> Waterpark Season Pass _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Flick n Float Movie _____ |  |

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Date Received: _____	Date Reviewed: _____	Approved _____	Denied _____
Amount Approved: _____		Expiration of Funds: _____	Payment Amount _____
Signed: _____	Date: _____	Start Date: _____	