



## **Maryville Alcoa Flying Dolphins Preston Swimmer Scholarship**

### **Purpose**

To acknowledge, reward, and promote qualities of good character, leadership, and teamwork with student athletes currently enrolled and participating with the Maryville Alcoa Flying Dolphins Swim Team (MAFD).

### **Eligibility**

1. The swimmer must be currently enrolled as a MAFD swimmer. To be considered enrolled the swimmer must have:
  - a. Enrolled with Parks & Recreation and be current with all fees
  - b. Completed the GKAIISA registration form or alternative means provided identifying MAFD as the swim team
  - c. Swam in at least two dual meets during the summer for the year applicable
2. The swimmer must have been enrolled as a MAFD swimmer at least two previous years, not necessarily consecutive.
3. The swimmer must have the intention of attending an institution of higher learning. To be considered an approved institution of higher learning, it must meet qualifications necessary to receive Hope Scholarship money. If the swimmer has not been accepted to an institution of higher learning at the time the scholarship is awarded, it is the responsibility of the swimmer to notify MAFD after he or she has been accepted and the scholarship will be paid to the institution.
4. The swimmer must have graduated from high school, or obtained his or her GED before completion of the summer swim season. If the swimmer is not 18 prior to June 1st, which potentially allows them to be eligible for the scholarship for multiple years, the swimmer must declare their eligibility for the year under consideration and having done so, will not be eligible for consideration in future years. If no declaration of eligibility is made, the swimmer will automatically be considered not eligible for that year. If the swimmer is 18 years old prior to June 1st, they shall be automatically considered eligible if no prior declaration of eligibility has been made. Eligibility must be declared in writing, along with the application.

## **Consideration**

Achieving a certain place in City Meet or SMI shall not be a pre-requisite for award. The award shall be based on the characteristics defined in the Purpose statement. At the beginning of the season, swimmers who are or may be eligible will be notified of their eligibility. They will be invited to, but not required, to submit any justification or essay for consideration.

The point of contact for eligible swimmers will be the President of the MAFD Board. The president may appoint a panel to make the determination of the scholarship. The Vice-President at a minimum will be a participant in the determination. If the president or member of the panel has a child who is eligible for the scholarship, then they may not participate in the selection.

The panel may choose to split the scholarship between a male and female recipient or may award the entire scholarship to one recipient. The scholarship shall not be divided into more than two awards or given to more than one member of a specific gender. (A boy and a girl may win, but two boys, or two girls may not)

Notification of award shall be at the season closing ceremony.

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