



# KidSport™ Iroquois Falls

## Athlete Financial Assistance

*We believe Sport is one of the few activities where children have the potential to experience positive physical, mental, emotional and social development all in the same environment. Sport has a powerful influence over children, acting as a prevention tool for many societal problems.*

*We also believe every child has a right to participate in sport. We recognize that not all families can afford to have their child in organized sport. If your child is not enrolled in sport because you do not have the financial means we may be able to assist you. Contact us.*

### What is the KidSport™ Grant?

- ?? Financial assistance given to an athlete 18 years old and under to help cover registration fees and/or equipment costs to play sports.
- ?? Grants generally range from \$50 to \$350.
- ?? An athlete can only receive one grant per calendar year.
- ?? Grants are to be used only in activities that demonstrate a sustained sport experience (For example: sport led by a qualified coach).
- ?? Equipment purchases are limited in value and must be the most economical option available.
- ?? Elite camps, travel to playoffs, championships, equipment upgrades are NOT grant eligible.
- ?? Preference is given to athletes who are being introduced into organized sport for the first time.
- ?? All applicants must be residents of Iroquois Falls

### What is the Application Process and Procedures for a KidSport™ Grant?

1. It begins with a child's desire to participate in sport.
2. Then, the parent or guardian **obtains and completes a KidSport application form.**
3. The parent or guardian obtains an endorsement letter from a third party community professional.
4. The parent or guardian submits the application with the required documents to our office.
5. The application is adjudicated by KidSport™ Iroquois Falls within 30 days of application.
6. Candidates who meet the guidelines are approved.
7. Grants to cover registration fees go directly to the sport organization.
8. Grants for equipment go directly to the retailer.

### Who Can Endorse a KidSport™ Grant?

Any objective, third-party, arm's length individual who works in the community and is well positioned to assess the needs of the young athlete may endorse a KidSport™ grant. They *must* be familiar with the economic and/or social barriers of the applicant. This *must* be identified in a detailed personal letter that *must* accompany the application.

### Where do I get a Grant Application Form?

- ?? Pool Complex Reception Desk
- ?? Town Hall Reception Desk
- ?? Ontario Works Office
- ?? Iroquois Falls Pre-School Centre

### Contact Info:

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