



## City of Folsom Program for Local Assistance Youth Recreation Scholarships (PLAYRS) Application Form

The City of Folsom Program for Local Assistance Youth Recreation Scholarships (PLAYRS) strives to provide financial assistance for all Folsom youth residents desiring to participate in City of Folsom recreation activities who could not otherwise due to financial restrictions. Please read the following instructions completely before filling out the application. **Only complete applications will be accepted.**

Guidelines have been established to assist resident families. PLAYRS scholarships are **based on need, merit, and available funding.**

### **Guidelines:**

1. **Each eligible participant generally receives up to 100% of the activity registration fee paid to a maximum amount of \$250 per year (12-month period) upon completion and approval of the application.**
2. PLAYRS scholarship applications and appropriate documentation must be **completed and submitted 14 (fourteen) business days prior** to the first day of the activity for which assistance is requested.
3. PLAYRS scholarships are awarded only for activity registration fees, not supplies or other costs.
4. PLAYRS scholarships will **not** be applied to past registrations.
5. Any past-due Folsom Parks and Recreation accounts must be current before a PLAYRS scholarship application is considered.
6. PLAYRS scholarship recipients are responsible for their own transportation to and from activity sites.
7. PLAYRS scholarship recipients who do not attend the activity regularly may be ineligible for future scholarships.
8. Refund and Cancellation Policies apply towards the portion the recipient/parent paid for only.
9. To use any portion of the PLAYRS scholarship, you must notify staff at the time of registration.

### **Eligibility:**

If the applicant has been awarded and used the PLAYRS scholarship in the past 12 months, the applicant is **not** eligible to apply. To determine eligibility for a PLAYRS scholarship, answer the following questions:

1. Does the youth live in the City of Folsom?
2. Is the youth 17 years of age or younger?
3. Can the youth commit to attend/participate in 80% of the activity?

You must also qualify for or be receiving assistance from one or more of the Federal/State/County Programs listed:

1. Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)
2. Aid for Dependent Children (AFDC)
3. Foster Care
4. Medicaid
5. Food Stamps / CalFresh Program / Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)
6. California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs)
7. Kinship Guardianship Assistance Payment Program (Kin-GAP)
8. Unemployment through job loss over 90 days (proof of unemployment benefits).

If you answer “yes” to the above three eligibility questions and are receiving assistance from a Federal/State/County program, you are eligible for a PLAYRS scholarship. You will need to provide documentation, such as a copy of a CalWORKs card, from one of the other eligible programs.

PLAYRS scholarship is available for up to two participants per household.

**Nondiscrimination:**

Participants eligible for the PLAYRS scholarship program will remain confidential and treated in the same manner as those who pay full price for the same service. No family will be discriminated against because of race, color, gender, religion, nationality, ethnic origin, or disability.

**Confidentiality:**

All PLAYRS scholarship applications and attachments are confidential and shall be used exclusively for the PLAYRS scholarship program and for no other purpose. The parties or their respective attorneys shall not disclose the applications and attachments to any person, corporation, firm, or entity except as provided by law. None of the parties hereto shall disclose the terms of these applications and attachments or provide an original or a copy of all, or any portion thereof to anyone, except for the following:

1. To the extent necessary to obtain tax advice or file tax returns concerning the program.
2. To the extent necessary to comply with a lawful order or process of a court of competent jurisdiction.
3. To the extent necessary to comply with the application process.
4. Upon written consent of the parties or a request for information from an authorized taxing authority.
5. To comply with a lawful California Public Records Act request.

**To Apply:**

1. Complete the PLAYRS application. An application must be completed for each youth. Applications are reviewed on a case-by-case basis. Application must be signed by a parent/guardian.
  - a. Attach the official document(s) signifying from which program the child is receiving aid. If such documents are unavailable, a school employee, social worker, or caseworker must sign the form to verify qualification.
  - b. Attach proof of Folsom residency, such as a copy of a recent utility bill.
2. Completed application and required documentation must be **submitted 14 (fourteen) business days prior to the first day of the activity for which assistance is requested** to the City of Folsom Parks and Recreation Department at 48 Natoma Street, Folsom, CA 95630 or **emailed to Sarah Trobee at saraht@folsom.ca.us. Incomplete applications and lack of documentation will be considered incomplete, and the application will be denied.** For questions regarding the application, please call 916-461-6618.
3. The City of Folsom Parks and Recreation Department will notify the applicant upon approval/denial of the PLAYRS scholarship application.
4. Upon approval of the PLAYRS scholarship, applicants may register for an activity, if space is available, at the Folsom Parks and Recreation Counter at 48 Natoma Street. The PLAYRS scholarship recipient or recipient's parent/guardian must pay the remaining amount of the activity registration at the time of registration.

**Examples of How the PLAYRS Scholarship Can Be Applied:**

Example #1:

- Activity #1. Registration is \$125; the PLAYRS scholarship is \$250. The recipient pays \$0. \$125 is available to use on other activities within the 12 months.
- Within the same 12-month period, activity #2 Registration is \$150; the PLAYRS scholarship is \$125. The recipient pays \$25.
- Note: The applicant/recipient may apply for another PLAYRS scholarship **after** the current scholarship 12-month period expires.

Example #2:

- Aquatic Center Season Family Pass is \$179, the PLAYRS scholarship is \$250. The recipient pays \$0. \$71 is available to use on other activities within the 12 months.
- Family needs two additional family members at \$40 each, the PLAYRS scholarship is \$71. The recipient pays \$9. \$0 is available to use on other activities within the 12 months.



## City of Folsom Application for Program for Local Assistance Youth Recreation Scholarships (PLAYRS)

(Please refer to the Application Instructions before completing.)

Youth Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_  
P.O. Box will not be accepted as a valid Folsom address. **Attach proof of residency**, such as a recent utility bill.

School: \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone/Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Is the applicant currently receiving a scholarship through another program? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please list the source and amount. \_\_\_\_\_

Has the applicant participated in a City of Folsom recreation activity before? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, which activity(s) and when: \_\_\_\_\_

Has the applicant previously received a PLAYRS scholarship? If yes, what year? \_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Which activity/activities are you seeking a PLAYRS scholarship for?

Activity Name	Activity Code	Activity Dates	Fee

Will your child be able to participate in the above activity(s) if you do not receive a PLAYRS scholarship?  
Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

**Qualification for the PLAYRS scholarship is based on the following:**

(Circle one and submit the appropriate documentation, such as a copy of card, with the application. **Lack of documentation will be considered an incomplete application and the application will be denied.**)

1. Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)
2. Aid for Dependent Children (AFDC)
3. Foster Care
4. Medicaid
5. Food Stamps / CalFresh Program / Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)
6. California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs)
7. Kinship Guardianship Assistance Payment Program (Kin-GAP)
8. Unemployment through job loss over 90 days.

If appropriate documentation is not available, the undersigned verifies that the applicant is qualified for the program circled above:

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Print Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title/Agency \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

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**Agreement**

The facts outlined in this application are accurate and complete. I understand that false statements on this application shall be considered sufficient cause for disqualification from financial assistance. The City of Folsom Parks and Recreation Department is authorized to research my qualifications for PLAYRS financial assistance by contacting the references listed above. I understand that I will be contacted when the application has been approved or denied.

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Signature of Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

<p><b>For Folsom Parks and Recreation Department Use Only</b>      Date Received: _____</p> <p>Proof of Residency attached: _____ Qualifying documentation attached/signed: _____</p> <p>Approved _____ Maximum Amount Approved \$ _____</p> <p>Denied _____ Reason: _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Approved / Denied By: _____ Date: _____</p> <p>PLAYRS scholarship valid from _____ to _____ (Scholarship is valid for a one-year period, commencing on the date of approval and terminating one year later.)</p> <p>Parent/Guardian Notified on: _____ By: _____</p>
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