



Jackie Lajeunesse Scholarship Award

Foreword

Jackie Lajeunesse was one of the biggest Ringette supporters that I have ever known. Jackie was always interested in young people who were involved in our sport and this scholarship opportunity was something she had talked about for a number of years.

Jackie was taken from us in October 2004 after a relatively short but very serious illness. Jackie was involved in administering associations in Rayside-Balfour and Sudbury. She was also a bench staff member as Assistant Coach or Manager on a number of teams and Officiating was always very close to Jackie's heart. That's why it's fitting that all members of the Ontario Ringette Association are eligible for this scholarship opportunity. The Board of Directors for the Ontario Ringette Association is very pleased to have this scholarship named in Jackie's honour.

We miss Jackie Lajeunesse very much and hope that this scholarship will keep her memory alive for many years to come. Special thanks to Jackie's husband, Ken, and her daughters, for allowing us to use her name.

Sincerely,
Jane Casson
President, Ontario Ringette Association, 2004 – 2007

Purpose

The purpose of the scholarship is to encourage academic excellence and the pursuit of higher education among members of the Ontario Ringette Association. To provide annually 2 (two) scholarships of \$1000.00 each (one thousand dollars) towards post-secondary education for Ringette players, coaches and/or officials who have demonstrated a strong academic performance and a commitment to the sport of Ringette. Recipients will also receive a Scholarship Award certificate recognizing their achievements.

Eligibility:

Application for a Scholarship Award may be made by:

Ringette players registered with one of Ontario Ringette's member associations.

Ringette certified coaches, and/or active on-ice Ringette certified officials.

Applicants who will be enrolled full-time in a recognized post-secondary institution for the upcoming academic year (September to April).

Applicants must meet the admission standards of the educational institution specified, which must be a university, college or other educational institution located in Canada providing courses at a post-secondary school level.

Applicants must provide evidence of their acceptance for full-time enrollment at the institution for the upcoming academic year. Funds will not be released by the Ontario Ringette Association until enrollment at the institution for the upcoming academic year has been confirmed.

Applicants must have actively participated in Ringette for at least three of the last four years and must be registered in the upcoming playing season.

A Scholarship recipient who does not attend an approved university or college within the prescribed timeframe will forfeit their right to the scholarship. If either recipient becomes ineligible (due to lack of registration in a post-secondary institution or failure to register to play Ringette the following season) the Jackie Lajeunesse Scholarship Committee may reconvene to select an alternate, qualified recipient.

Application procedure:

Application forms are available from the Ontario Ringette Association from each of the Regional Chairs and on the Ontario Ringette Association website at www.ontario-ringette.com.

The following documentation must accompany the completed application form:

1. A written submission documenting the significance of participation in Ringette in the applicant's personal development.
2. Letters of reference (bearing a current date) from two (2) other individuals in the Ringette community.
3. A transcript of marks for the last completed year of education.
4. A detailed Ringette resume covering all aspects of the applicant's Ringette activity (as a player, coach, official, fundraiser, local association volunteer, etc) and proof of registration with the applicant's local association for the current Ringette playing season.
5. Application must be forwarded to the following address and be received in the Ontario Ringette Association office no later than April 1.



Ontario Ringette Association
Attn: Jackie Lajeunesse Scholarship Award
207 – 3 Concorde Gate
Toronto, ON M3C 3N7

Selection Process:

Applications received in the Ontario Ringette Association office will be reviewed by the Ontario Ringette Association Selection Committee, which will include the President, Vice President – Finance, Vice President – Administration, and Vice President – Communications of the Ontario Ringette Association. The Athlete Representative on the Board of Directors will Chair the Selection Committee.

Decisions made by the Selection Committee will be final.

Notification:

The names of the successful applicants will be announced during the Annual General Meeting of the Ontario Ringette Association. The successful recipients will be invited to attend the AGM.

You may only receive this scholarship once.