



# 2021 KidSport™ BC Grant

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## KidSport helps children of families facing financial obstacles to participate in sport, so that no kid is left on the sidelines.

### Who is eligible to receive a KidSport grant?

- Families that are low-income and facing financial barriers
- Children ages 18 and under are eligible to apply for a grant

### What does KidSport cover?

- Children could be eligible for up to, but not guaranteed financial support of \$400 per child per calendar year (January - December)
- Only one application per calendar year, for one eligible sport, may be submitted for each child
- Applications must be received prior to, or at the beginning of the requested season of sport
- Sport activities must demonstrate a sustained sport experience (a season of sport led by a qualified coach) and the sport activity must be affiliated with the member sport organizations of Sport BC
- Camps, equipment, lessons, travel to playoffs, fundraising, championships, etc. do not qualify
- For a list of eligible sports, please visit: www.sportbc.com/members/

### How to apply?

Apply online: https://kidsportcanada.ca/british-columbia/provincial-fund/

OR

Complete the attached KidSport Grant Application and send to: **KidSport BC** 

> #250 - 999 Canada Place Vancouver, BC V6C 3C1

- 2. Register your child into a sport program
- Submit the completed application to your local KidSport Chapter that is listed on the application form. Incomplete application forms will be returned.
- Please allow up to 30 days for notification of application status.

If the application has been approved, KidSport will issue funds directly to the sport organization on behalf of the child.







### 2021 KidSport™ BC Grant Application Guidelines

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#### Guidelines

- Applications will be considered when without KidSport support the child would not be able to participate in the sport
- Children ages 18 and under are eligible to apply for a grant
- Grants of a maximum of \$400 are to be used for the payment of sport participation/registration fees
- Camps, equipment, lessons, travel to playoffs, fundraising, championships, etc. are not eligible expenses
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- Bullying and/or harassment of volunteers may result in immediate disapproval of your application

#### Consideration

KidSport™ considers the social and economic barriers facing the athlete's family when determining eligibility for funding. To help manage the increased demand and to ensure fair distribution of funding, the following screening criteria will be applied:

- As resources allow, first time applicants will receive priority for grant funding
- Returning applicants will be considered on a monthly basis, as funding permits
- Applications currently on file will be processed as funding permits

#### **Parent or Guardian Information**

- The parent or quardian of the child must initiate the application on behalf of the child.
- The parent or guardian fills out sections 1 to 4 and if needed, the endorser will complete Section 5
- It is the responsibility of the parent or quardian to ensure the application is complete and submitted to KidSport™

#### Financial Verification Endorser Information (Please read carefully)

The Endorser is the most important step in the KidSport™ application process. This individual verifies that without KidSport assistance, the child would not be able to participate in the season of sport. The Endorser acts as an objective third party who is familiar with the athlete's family and is in a professional position to assess the social and economic barriers facing the family.

- An Endorser can be a professional in social work or family services, a school principal or counsellor, a senior recreation administrator, accountant, law enforcement officer, a registered physician, or a priest or pastor
- Endorsers, other than those listed, may be considered if a written letter from the potential Endorser outlining the financial need of the family is included with the application
- Endorsers cannot be associated with the sport organization and they cannot be a family member
- For school sports, school principals or counsellors are not accepted as Endorsers

#### **Grant Distribution**

- Once the completed application is received and approved by KidSport™, a cheque will be sent to the sport organization
- Please keep a photocopy of the application for your records
- Please allow a minimum of 60 days for review of application; processing time will vary depending on the availability of funds

#### Application Approval

Notification of the status of the application will be sent to the parent or guardian as soon as possible. If the application is approved, a copy of the letter of notification may also be sent to the sport / recreation organization specified on the application and other sport organizations as required. The parent, guardian, or sport / recreation organization must notify the KidSport™ chapter in their area or KidSport™ BC if the athlete withdraws from the sport activity. The grant must be used by the athlete for whom the grant was approved; no portion of the grant can be transferred to someone else.

#### Privacy / Confidentiality

KidSport™ respects your privacy. We never sell, trade or loan your information to any other organization. Information provided in this application is being collected for the purpose of administering KidSport™. This information will only be disclosed to KidSport™ personnel who need the information to carry out the responsibilities of their job, and to other organizations who may need to be contacted in order to process the application. Statistics are reported at the regional, provincial and national level. Individuals are not personally identified. By completing this application form you agree to have all collected information stored in our online database system. For more information on our privacy policy, please visit www.KidSport.ca/Legal.





# **2021 KidSport™ BC Grant Application Form**

SECTION 1: ATHLETE RECIPIENT	
First Name:	Last name:
City:	Age (18 and Under):
Gender: Male Female Other:	Birth Date (YYYY-MM-DD):
Please select if you are one of the following populations:	
Has this child received KidSport™ funding before:	Name of Sport:
Program Start Date (YYYY-MM-DD):	Program End Date (YYYY-MM-DD):
Full Registration Cost:	Grant Request: (max \$400)
SECTION 2: PARENT OR GUARDIAN	
First Name:	Last Name:
Mailing Address:	
City:	Postal Code:
Phone:	Email:
☐ Single Parent / Guardian ☐ Dual Parent / Guardian	
Number of children in home:	
How did you find out about KidSport:   Sport Organization	Recreation Centre Website School Other
☐ The information presented in this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. ☐ I have read and agree to the privacy policy (see guidelines). ☐ I give KidSport permission to contact me. ☐ I agree to and understand that while KidSport is providing funding to cover the fees associated with my child's activity/sport, I will not hold KidSport responsible, nor will I take legal action under any circumstance (i.e. injury, etc).	
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