



Diamond Peak Ski and Education Foundation (DPSEF) Steve Steiner Memorial Fund Scholarship Application 2019 - 2020

One of the DPSEF's goals is to provide youth in the community with the opportunity to train and compete in Winter sports to the best of their ability. In furtherance of this goal and in remembrance of Stephen Steiner, DPSEF has created a scholarship program to assist with tuition for its alpine racing, all mountain, or mighty-mites ski programs. Donations from Steve's friends and families as well as a grant from the Tahoe Mountain Resort Foundation have made the scholarship program possible.

SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION

- Ages 7 to 16
- Volunteer hour contribution required from all scholarship recipients and families
- Scholarships will be awarded based on financial need and residency (Incline Village priority)
- Recipient must maintain good grades (3.0 or better if applicable)
- Complete applications are due by August 31, 2019 and will be awarded by December 1, 2019

DPSEF TUITION PROGRAM

- Full or partial tuition scholarships may be awarded
- Returning athletes and new athletes are eligible
- All decisions to award scholarships are final and shall be made in the sole discretion of the DPSEF board of directors.

Make Your Application Count!

Be sure to fill out this application in its entirety. Applications missing information, including requested letters will not be considered.

The award of the Ski Spirit Scholarship is primarily needs-based; decisions are not solely based on talent or achievement of the athlete/participant. The more specific you can be about your financial situation and/or need for financial aid, the quicker the scholarship committee will be able to evaluate your application. If you or your child has made efforts to save or earn money for tuition/travel/equipment, mention it in your write-up. Your child's letter and/or parent letter should discuss his or her love of the sport, and how the applicant believes participation will help him/her to achieve his/her goals.

Limited funds are available. Scholarships are awarded in various amounts; not all aid is equivalent to full tuition. Registering for the season before you have received a decision from the scholarship committee is not necessary nor does it increase the chances of receiving as scholarship.



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ATHLETE INFORMATION:

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ DOB: _____ Age: _____

SELECT PROGRAM:

Alpine Ski Racing

U10

U12

U14

U16

U19

All Mountain

Mighty Mites

How long have you been skiing: _____ Years involved with DPSEF: _____

What School do you attend: _____ Grade in School: _____

GPA: _____ Please provide a copy of your last report card.

Other sports or activities you are involved with: _____

Recent accomplishments or awards: _____

What paid and or volunteer jobs have you had outside the home: _____

Is Athlete contributing towards Tuition? (Y?N) _____ % Contribution: _____

If a partial scholarship were awarded, how much can you afford to pay toward the program you are applying for? % Contribution _____



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Please list two non-relative references (for example: teacher, coach, friend, employer) and their phone numbers:

1. _____ Relationship: _____ Phone: _____

2. _____ Relationship: _____ Phone: _____

FAMILY INFORMATION:

Parent 1 Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Email: _____

Parents Marital Status: _____ Total Number in Household: _____

Parent 2 Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Email: _____

Do you participate in free or reduced school lunch program? (Y?N) _____

Total Household Income (Gross): \$ _____ (Please include the first page of your last two 1040's or a written statement of need. Docs will be reviewed by scholarship administrator, kept confidential and destroyed after review.)

Please explain why the athlete requires financial assistance (attach additional pages if needed). Share any unique financial hardships you have recently experienced (Loss of employment, medical challenge, etc) _____



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APPLICATIONS WITH ALL SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY August 31, 2018. Mail documents to the DPSEF P.O. Box 5591, Incline Village, NV 89540 or scan and email to dpskiteam@dpsef.org

ATHLETE ESSAY:

Include the athlete’s interest in skiing, leadership and teamwork qualities, how she/he can contribute to DPSEF and the community, goals (in skiing and life) and how she/he plans to achieve them:



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Please check-off which items have been included with your scholarship request, as incomplete applications will not be considered:

- Completed Applications
- Athlete's Essay
- Most recent Report Card
- First page of your last two previously filed 1040's or a written statement of need

Applicant (Athlete) Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____



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Stephen Steiner 1950 - 2014

For those of us who knew Steve, he offered inspiration in living a life of passion. His enthusiasm for skiing was infectious. The camaraderie of friends, the freedom of choosing the best line down the mountain, the simplicity and elegance of the perfectly carved turn. For Steve, skiing was pure happiness. The nickname “Big Daddy” came from a silly sticker on his skis. The skis and the sticker are long gone but the name “Big Daddy” remains. It is an acknowledgement and tribute to his big heart, big passion for skiing, and a big spirit for life in general.

Surprisingly, Steve did not start skiing as a child. He took up the sport when he was a college student at Cornell University in upstate New York. After college, he moved west. He kept every ski pass. Some of the early ones: Heavenly Valley 1972/73; Crested Butte 1973/74 and 1974/75; Powderhorn 1975/76; Winter Park 1976/77. In the 1980s Steve moved back to Long Island, New York and opened a restaurant with his brothers. That didn’t last long, the mountains called. He moved to Hunter, NY and opened his own restaurant. Of course, the place was only open for dinner so the days could be spent skiing. It was the place people gathered after a day on the hill. Eventually, he came back to where his big mountain skiing started. He moved back to Lake Tahoe in 1994. The ski passes are too numerous to mention.



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For a few winters, Steve worked at Squaw Valley as an instructor for the kids in the Big Mountain Program. He enjoyed teaching younger students rather than adults. Young people have a curiosity and enthusiasm that matched his own. His goal was to show them everything a mountain had to offer. Different terrain, snow conditions, etc. He wanted them to feel the excitement of the snow, of being with friends. He would be tremendously honored and proud of the "Big Daddy" Scholarships and now the Ski Spirit Scholarships. It gives young people the opportunity to learn an activity they can enjoy for their entire lives.

Janet Hershey