

2019/2020 Hockey Scholarship Opportunity

The Genesee Amateur Hockey Association Board of Directors was pleased to accept a donation by the McCarthy family in Memory of David McCarthy, to sponsor several partial hockey scholarships for the 2019/2020 season.

David McCarthy was a Rampart and Batavia High School Hockey Alumni. He tragically lost his life in a car accident several years ago, leaving behind a young family. In his honor his family has established an annual golf tournament. Three years ago, the McCarthy foundation also donated money to purchase cross-ice boards for our youngest participants at the Mite level. We are incredibly grateful to the friends and family of David McCarthy for the opportunities and support they have given our players.

Many of you are aware of the annual David McCarthy leadership award presented each year to a GAHA player (travel or house) that embodies the spirit of leadership. This player has the ability to remain positive and supportive of his teammates no matter what the situation. This player helps lead the program forward not only by utilizing positive communication, but by demonstrating positive actions on and off the ice. In memory of David, we proudly continue to recognize young men and women that exhibit these qualities with-in our program.

In line with the characteristics that have been established for our annual David McCarthy Leadership Award, the McCarthy family has allowed us to offer the following opportunity.

2019/2020 Season David McCarthy Leadership Scholarship

Eligibility: A current GAHA player who demonstrates significant financial need and who has themselves or whose family has made significant volunteer leadership contributions to the organization or the advancement of hockey in the Batavia area.

Players or a family member who meets the leadership criteria may submit on behalf of the player.

The application should include:

Players Name

**Players Current Team
contact email**

Description of reason for financial need

Summary/Description of volunteer leadership contributions to the organization by the player or the family member.

**** Player MUST be registered for the upcoming season ****

In the best interest of confidentiality, Applications will be received by the President who will remove personally identifiable information and assign an application number. Applications will be reviewed and winners selected by a 3 person Board member David McCarthy Leadership scholarship committee. The committee will present a basic summary of how they came to their decision and will not include applicant details. Selected applications will be given to the President who will rematch them with applicant names and provide the information to the Treasurer for fee adjustment. Only the Treasurer and President will be aware of the award winners by name, and all applicant names will remain confidential. Application information and deliberations of the Scholarship Committee will remain confidential. Disclosure of awards to other parties is at the sole discretion of the award winner and family. The decisions of the scholarship committee with the approval of the process by the board are final. Only award winners will be contacted.

Notes: There is no minimum or maximum length, or required format for application. The above application parameters should be met and adequately illustrate the information requested based on the eligibility criteria. If an award winner has completed fee payment for the 2019/2020 year the scholarship amount will be refunded.

Applications should be submitted to Dale Hutchins, GAHA President at dthutchins@yahoo.com no later than August 31st, 2019. Scholarship recipients will be notified by mid September and will be reimbursed fee's based on the amount of the award.