



Oswego Youth Tackle Football & Cheer

OYTFC JR. COACH SCHOLARSHIP

APPLICATION PACKET

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A 501(c)(3) organization focused on nurturing and developing student athletes equipping them with essential skills, values and attitudes that transcend the field and enrich their lives.

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Oswego Youth Tackle Football & Cheer 2026 Junior Coach Scholarship Award



In every great coach, there's a spark — a deep belief in others, a willingness to lead, and a heart for service. The **Junior Coach Scholarship Award** was created to honor young volunteers who bring that spark to life. These student leaders give their time, energy, and passion to help younger athletes grow — not just in skill, but in confidence, character, and community.

This scholarship isn't just a thank you — it's a recognition of future leaders who understand that impact starts at the grassroots. That greatness isn't just measured in stats, but in service. By showing up, stepping in, and lifting others up, Junior Coaches are shaping the next generation both on and off the field.

We're proud to celebrate those who lead with heart — by awarding a scholarship to a college-bound student volunteer, whether they're headed to a university, trade school, junior college, or any path of continued learning and growth.

Criteria:

- Must be a High School Senior
- Must have at least 2 years of volunteer service with the organization and completed a minimum of 50 hours volunteering as an OYTF Junior Coach
- (1) Letter of recommendation from a coach of the team you assisted with
 - NOTE: Recommendation cannot be from an OYTF Board Member
- Completed application form & experience responses

Please complete the application attached and return, along with your experience response and letter of recommendation, to Dana Butikofer, OYTF Cheer Vice President & Scholarship Contact.

Preferred method: Email: dana@oytf.org

Alternate method: Mail: OYTF, Attn. Dana Butikofer, P.O. Box 531, Oswego IL, 60543

Deadline for submission: Friday, April 30, 2026

Oswego Youth Tackle Football & Cheer:
2026 Junior Coach Scholarship Application



Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email Address: _____ Phone: _____

High School Attended: _____

Year(s) Assisting OYTF as Junior Coach: _____

Total Volunteer Hours: _____

Please list the name of individual(s) providing recommendation:

(1) Required: _____

(2) Optional: _____

(3) Optional: _____

ESSAY SECTION:

The Junior Coach Scholarship Award is about more than just volunteering — it's about leadership, growth, and the impact you've made by showing up for others. In this section, we invite you to reflect on your journey and share how your experience as a Junior Coach has shaped you and the young athletes you've supported.

Take your time, be real, and let your story shine.

In a separate document, please provide your experience responses to the following questions:

(1) Reflect on your experience as a Junior Coach.

How has volunteering your time to support young student athletes shaped who you are today — as a leader, a teammate, or a person?

(2) What have you learned about yourself through service?

In what ways has volunteering changed your perspective, goals, or understanding of what it means to lead?

(3) Looking back on your time as a Junior Coach, what are you most proud of?

How do you hope the athletes you worked with will remember you?