

## Maccabi USA Scholarship Information

Maccabi USA has two scholarships available to help offset the cost of attending the 21<sup>st</sup> Maccabiah Games. All Juniors, Youth, Open and Para athletes are eligible to apply for the Need Based Scholarship, but only Open and Para athletes are eligible for the Merit Athlete Scholarship. Receiving a scholarship or any specific amount is not guaranteed. Scholarship criteria and application will be sent upon appointment to the team. Each scholarship has its own committee to review applications and allocate scholarship if warranted. Please see below for general information on each scholarship.

- **Need Based Scholarship:** This scholarship is based on financial need. All applications will be submitted confidentially and blind reviewed by the committee. Scholarship awards will be based on several factors, including, but not limited to:
  - Location
  - Family income
  - Family assets
  - 2018/19 Tax-return
  - Past Maccabiah participation

A full questionnaire will need to be completed with exact information and figures for full scholarship consideration. The committee reserves the right to ask for additional information as needed to help make their decision.

- **Merit Athlete Scholarship:** This scholarship is designed for Open and Para athletes that the Merit Scholarship Committee recognizes for recent outstanding athletic accomplishments. The committee will review each application and award scholarships based on the established criteria scale of competition level and success. Several factors will be used to determine scholarship eligibility and award amount, including, but not limited to:
  - Highest level competed
  - Awards/Championships won
  - Significant contributor to team/sport
  - Timeframe of accomplishments

Please note: scholarships may only be applied to fulfill an athlete's final invoice balance. All **prior** payments and invoice due dates must be met to maintain spot on team and scholarship award.