



Thank you for your interest in the Matthew Zucker Memorial Fund (MZF) Scholarship. Here are a few answers to guide you through your application process.

What does this application process involve?

The application process is simple:

- 1) Print the attached application
- 2) Parents should complete page 1. The athlete should complete page 2. Both should sign.
- 3) Return the application with your registration paperwork BEFORE the start of programs.
- 4) A coach will contact you to schedule a scholarship interview.

Why does scholarship require an interview? What will you ask?

The interview is an informal conversation for coaches, athletes, and parents to talk about NRRA's rowing programs, the scholarship program we offer, and our expectations. We'll ask about your interest in rowing, your other extracurricular activities, etc. We will also use this time to answer any questions that you may have. While you may continue to apply for scholarships each season, the interview is only required for the *first* application.

Will I be treated differently because I am on scholarship?

Once you've been granted a scholarship, no one will know other than you and your coach. Nothing is different because you're on scholarship and no one knows unless you tell them.

Are MZF scholarships for the entire cost of the program, or just a part?

As you may already know, NRRA's mission is to provide high-quality rowing programs to adults and youth of all ages, regardless of ability to pay. Looking forward, we want to make sure we have enough scholarship money to go around to help you, your teammates, and others during coming seasons. In order to spread the scholarship fund as far as possible, we anticipate that you will make a contribution of some percentage of the program costs. We ask that you, as a family, determine the amount you will be able to pay and be prepared to create a payment plan during your interview.

How much to do most families contribute?

Every family is different and are able to contribute at higher levels than others. On the next page you will find tables to help you figure what would work best for you.

Who should I contact if I still have questions?

If you have any questions, please contact Melanie at melanie@norwalkriverrowing.org or 203.866.0080x11



Norwalk River Rowing Association

Matthew S. Zucker Memorial Fund Scholarship Application

All answers are strictly confidential.

General Information

Athlete Name: _____

School Attending: _____ Grade: _____ Age: _____

Home Address: _____

Name of Parent(s) you live with: _____

Father's Name: _____ Cell: _____

Occupation: _____ Employer: _____

Mother's Name: _____ Cell: _____

Occupation: _____ Employer: _____

Sibling (names and ages): _____

Household Income Level

_____ Below \$25,000

_____ \$25,000-\$50,000

_____ \$50,000-\$75,000

_____ \$75,000-\$100,000

_____ Over \$100,000

Race (Optional; Check all that apply)

_____ African American

_____ Asian

_____ Caucasian

_____ Hispanic

_____ Other: _____

Financial Need (to be completed by parent)

Please give a brief statement regarding your need for scholarship funds:

What is the cost of the program to which you are applying? _____

What will your family be able to contribute? _____

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Season: Spring Fall Winter I Winter II

 Summer Session: _____

Team: Recreational Racing Special: _____

Amount Contributed: _____ on _____ MZF Awarded: _____

Personal Information (to be completed by athlete)

How did you find out about Norwalk River Rowing?

What other sports or extracurricular activities are you involved in?

Why are you interested in trying rowing?

I attest that the information completed on this form is true. This information will be confidentially reviewed as it pertains to my/my child's interest in participating in rowing at Norwalk River Rowing Association.

Printed Name of Athlete: _____

Signature of Athlete: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name of Parent: _____

Signature of Parent: _____ Date: _____

This form should be submitted, along with registration paperwork, by the deadline for the season to which you are applying. Payment of the family contribution is due by the first day of practice, unless other arrangements are made with NRRA in advance.

If you have any questions about this NRRA, Scholarships, or this form, please contact:

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