

Who is KidSport?

KidSport is a national not-for-profit organization that provides financial assistance for registration fees to organized physical activity programs (including school programs) for kids aged 18 and under. Our mission is to remove the financial barriers that prevent 1 in 3 Canadian children from participating in organized sports. Participating in sports enhances social, mental and physical well being, as well growth in confidence, social skills, friendships and the drive to succeed.

Our local Okotoks Chapter of KidSport is a volunteer run board advocating for youth participation in organized physical activity programs, raising funds for registration fees and assisting with equipment needs. All funds raised stay in the local Okotoks community.

What is a KidSport Grant?

KidSport Okotoks provides grants of up to \$500 per eligible child, per year (January 1st - December 31st) towards registration fees in one or more organized sports programs. We can make a referral to our partner agency for sports equipment if needed. Travel and competition fees are not eligible for funding.

What are the eligibility requirements?

KidSport Okotoks uses the Government of Canada low income cutoff (LICO) plus 50% to determine financial eligibility for grants. Line 236 on your CRA Notice of Assessment must be below this LICO number to qualify. This amount is before tax and includes all adult's income in the home. Click here to see the LICO chart. You must reside in Okotoks to access grant funding from the Okotoks KidSport Chapter. If you are unsure of your eligibility, please reach out to okotoks@kidsport.ab.ca.

How do I apply for a grant?

- 1. Find a sport program your child would like to join and sign up. Let the program's administrators know you will be applying for KidSport funding.
- 2. <u>Apply online here</u> or use the paper application form be sure to complete all sections of the application, as incomplete applications take much longer to process, and can cause delays in receiving your grant. You can submit a paper application by e-mail to okotoks@kidsport.ab.ca.
- 3. Your completed application will be processed within 30 days of being received. If you qualify for KidSport funding, the grant will be sent directly to the sport program that received your child's registration.

