

MICHELLE PARK FAMILY RECREATION SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES

The Michelle Park Family Recreation Scholarship honors the legacy of the City of Gainesville, Parks, recreation and Cultural Affairs' former Assistant Director, Michelle Park. She worked tirelessly in the parks and recreation field for over 40 years and was dedicated to creating access for individuals and families to the department's programming.

PURPOSE:

To provide a scholarship for one year to one City of Gainesville low-to-moderate income family, to participate in nature, recreation and cultural activities provided by the City of Gainesville Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs Department.

AWARD COMPONENTS:

One scholarship valued at \$1,500, which can be used from January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026, to enjoy activities such as:

- After-school program and day camps for school breaks and teacher holidays
- Access to the Wellness Center at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Multipurpose Center
- Tickets to cultural events
- An annual pass to the Sweetwater Wetlands Park
- Adult and youth recreation and sports activities

CRITERIA:

- Family must be a City of Gainesville resident
- Family must meet the Federal poverty guidelines

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Step 1: Application

Applicant must fill out the application form in its entirety, including signed and dated agreement.

Step 2: Submission

The following documents must be submitted by **Wednesday, December 3, 2025:**

- Completed and signed application form
- Proof of residency documentation: GRU bill or voter registration card
- Proof of income documentation: Approved SBAC lunch eligibility letter for current school year, or DCF notice of case action eligibility letter.

Mail Application packets to:

City of Gainesville, Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs
Attention: Michelle Park Scholarship
PO Box 490, Station 24
Gainesville, FL 32627-0490

Or email to:

prcasponsorship@gainesvillefl.gov

Step 3: Award

One (1) Applicant family that has met all eligibility requirements will be awarded by lottery.

MICHELLE PARK FAMILY
RECREATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Family Information

Primary Adult Applicant

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ MI: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone 1: _____ Phone 2: _____

Email: _____ ☐ Yes, I agree to receive email updates from PRCA.

Alternate Adult Applicant (Optional)

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ MI: _____

Phone 1: _____ Phone 2: _____

Email: _____ ☐ Yes, I agree to receive email updates from PRCA.

Number of children in the applicant household: _____

Names/Ages of children in the applicant Household:

FULL NAME	AGE

Family Interests

Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs offers many programs that this scholarship could be used for. We would like to see what programs interest your family most. This is not a registration for the program. Please check all that apply:

Youth Programs

Program Name	Type	Registration Required	Cost*	Check Yes		
After School	Weekly	Yes	\$20.50	☐	☐	☐
Out-of-School Days	Daily	Yes	\$6.50	☐	☐	☐
Winter Break Camp	One-week	Yes	\$61.00	☐	☐	☐
Spring Break Camp	One-Week	Yes	\$61.00	☐	☐	☐
Summer Camp	One-week Sessions	Yes	\$61.00	☐	☐	☐
Earth Academy Day Camp	One-Week Sessions	Yes	\$140.75	☐	☐	☐
Pop-Warner Football	Season	Yes	\$122.25	☐	☐	☐
Pop-Warner Cheerleading	Season	Yes	\$82.75	☐	☐	☐
Youth Basketball (Ages 5-6)	Season	Yes	\$82.75	☐	☐	☐
Youth Basketball	Season	Yes	\$104.75	☐	☐	☐
Start Smart Toddler Programs	Session	Yes	\$45.00	☐	☐	☐
Culinary Arts Program	Session	Yes	\$30-35.00	☐	☐	☐
Jr. Lifeguard Camp	Session	Yes	\$100.50	☐	☐	☐

*Per session/Per person for city residents.

Family & Adult Programs:

Program Name	Type	Registration Required	Cost*	Check Yes
Gym and Wellness Membership	6 months or Annual	Yes	\$49.25-\$97.75	☐
Pool Passes (Family of 4 or less)	6 months	Yes	\$309.00	☐
Swim Lessons	Session	Yes	\$57.00	☐
Sweetwater Annual Pass	Annual	Yes	\$60.00	☐
Hoggetowne Medieval Faire Tickets	Individual Tickets	No- but need advanced notice	\$10-20.00	☐

3 Agreement and Signature

I, _____, hereby certify that all information above is true and correct to
Print Name

the best of my knowledge. I understand that the information will be relied upon for determining my eligibility for the Michelle Park Family Scholarship. I understand that spaces are limited and that applying for the scholarship does not guarantee enrollment in the classes or activities. I must register for class or activities for my family members and myself. I understand if awarded that I will have one calendar year to use the funds for the scholarship.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____