Potomac Valley Swimming (PVS) Financial Aid Policy

As a non-profit organization, Potomac Valley Swimming (PVS) is required to qualify all financial aid requests in accordance with fairly applied guidelines. PVS grants financial aid on the basis of financial need (NOT an athlete's ability) and requires information to determine the need for financial assistance of a PVS registered athlete.

In order for an athlete to be eligible for PVS Financial support, the athlete's parents or legal guardian (proof required) must provide PVS with 3rd party written proof of need due to the fact there is a limited amount of financial aid available for the family. This information should be sent to *finance@pvswim.org* and *accounting@pvswim.org*. An athlete will not receive financial aid without written proof of any one of the following:

- *Need-based Free or Reduced Lunch*
- *TANF (Temporary Assistance or Needy Families)*
- *WIC (Women, Infants, and Children) program*
- *Medical Assistance Programs (i.e., Medicaid)*
- *Income less than 60% of the Estimated State Median Income per household size (income verification required)*
- *Fuel Assistance*

The PVS General Chair, Admin Chair, and Finance Vice Chair (committee) will review the financial aid requests along with necessary documentation. Those PVS registered athletes who are approved for financial assistance by the committee, will be awarded up to 50% of the meet/team registration fees (no apparel nor other costs are eligible) for a PVS sponsored event. *An athlete will be entitled to no more than 1 request in a swim season*.

Other expectations of the Parent/Guardian Applying for Financial Aid:
All parents/guardians whose athlete is the recipient of requested financial aid are required to provide a minimum of 8 volunteer hours each season (example: officiating or serving as a timer at meets) and parents/guardians will sign a volunteer contract.

** Note: All applicants will be treated similarly regardless of sex, race, color, creed or religious beliefs.