



# Aris FC Soccer Club

## FINANCIAL AID PROGRAM

### PROGRAM PURPOSE

Aris FC Soccer Club strives to provide an affordable and competitive soccer experience for all participants. Aris FC aims to offer some financial aid to players who demonstrate need. There is a finite amount of aid available each year, based on the Club's annual budget. This policy includes information on how the program works as well as costs associated with BYSC programs and what financial aid covers. For questions about the club's financial aid program, you can email [financialaid@arisfc.org](mailto:financialaid@arisfc.org).

### FINANCIAL AID DEADLINES

Families requesting financial aid must complete the Aris FC Financial Aid Form. Families are required to complete one form for each player for whom they are requesting aid. Financial Aid Forms are due at the time of registration, which is July 15, 2014. Completed financial aid forms and required attachments can either be e-mailed to [financialaid@arisfc.org](mailto:financialaid@arisfc.org) or mailed to: John Wilson, Attn: Aris FC Financial Aid, 9010 Split Log Road, Brentwood TN 37027.

### FINANCIAL AID AWARD LEVELS

Award levels vary according to need and are decided by the Aris FC Financial Aid Committee. Among the criteria considered when determining financial awards are family financial situation, family size, player age and the player/family's relevant history with Aris FC.

Awards will be used to cover player dues. Awards will not cover registration, uniforms or team fees (team fees vary by team and are used to cover tournament registration fees, referee fees, coaches travel expenses, etc). Aris FC encourages coaches, team managers, and team families to work together to assist those players who cannot cover all or a portion of their team fees through team fundraising or direct support from other team families.

Aris FC financial aid is not paid directly to any applicant. Awards will be used to reduce any fees related to the player's participation.

### FINANCIAL AID COMMITTEE

The Aris FC Financial Aid Committee, consisting of four Aris FC board members, will make all decisions regarding financial aid including whether a family qualifies for aid and the amount to be awarded. Financial aid awards will be determined 2 weeks prior to session start date. Families will be notified of their acceptance or denial of financial aid by mail. Those awarded aid will receive a Financial Aid Agreement Contract that must be signed and returned to the club **within two weeks** of the dated agreement.

### PROOF OF NEED

Aris FC will use qualification for free or reduced school lunch as the primary determining factor in granting financial aid. For those who qualify for either of these programs, proof of eligibility is required. You should be able to obtain proof of eligibility from your school office. If a family does not qualify for either of these programs, there is an area on the application form to explain extenuating circumstances for requesting aid.

### CONFIDENTIALITY

All financial aid applications completed online are done so on a secured web server and hard copy forms submitted will only be reviewed by the Financial Aid Committee and decisions communicated to a team's manager and treasurer.



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### FINANCIAL AID FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

**Q: How Do I Apply For Financial Aid?**

A: Applications are available on the [arisfc.org](http://arisfc.org) website and can also be obtained from your team manager. Completed applications can be either be e-mailed to [financialaid@arisfc.org](mailto:financialaid@arisfc.org) or mailed to: John Wilson, Attn: Aris FC Financial Aid, 9010 Split Log Road, Brentwood TN 37027.

**Q: How Much Aid Is Available, Am I Guaranteed Aid?**

A: Aris FC budgets a set amount of financial aid each year, so not everyone applying will automatically receive it.

**Q: What Does Financial Aid Cover?**

A: Financial aid covers player's dues. It does not include registration, uniform or team fees (including tournament registration fees, referee fees, coaches travel expenses, etc.)

**Q: Who Decides Which Families Receive Financial Aid?**

A: The Aris FC Financial Aid Committee, comprised of four Aris FC Board Members, makes all financial aid decisions.

**Q: What Factors Go Into Awarding Financial Aid?**

A: The Aris FC Financial Aid Program largely depends on a family's qualification for free or reduced lunch and requires proof of eligibility for either of these programs. For those requesting aid but do not qualify for free or reduced lunch, the Financial Aid Application includes a section to explain extenuating circumstances for aid requests.

**Q: When Will I Know If I Qualify For Aid And Amount Of Award?**

A: Families will be notified by mail of program acceptance or denial and the amount of award within 2 weeks of the session start date. If awarded aid, the letter will include an agreement outlining the commitment required to receive aid and the amount granted. Those being offered financial aid will have two weeks to return a signed copy of the agreement.

**Q: If I Have More Than One Player In My Family, Do I Need To Complete A Financial Aid Application For Each One?**

A: Yes, Aris FC requires a separate form for each member of the family.

**Q: Do I Need To Complete A Financial Aid Form Each Year I Need Aid?**

A: Yes, Aris FC requires each family to complete a new application each season.

**Q: Where Do I Go If I Have More Questions About Financial Aid?**

A: You can email [financialaid@arisfc.org](mailto:financialaid@arisfc.org) or contact John Wilson at 615-417-3934.



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Month, Date, Year

Family Name  
Family Address  
City, State, Zip

Member Name,

After processing your application for financial aid, Aris FC is able to offer you aid in the amount of \_\_\_\_\_ for the (date of season). To formally receive this aid, you must complete the Financial Aid Agreement included on the bottom of this letter and return it to Aris FC within two weeks of the date on the top of this letter. Failure to do so may result in cancellation of this offer. Information about the Aris FC Financial Aid Program can be found on our website ([www.arisfc.org](http://www.arisfc.org)), by emailing [financialaid@arisfc.org](mailto:financialaid@arisfc.org) or by contacting John Wilson at 615-417-3934.

Aris FC Financial Aid Committee

### Aris FC Financial Aid Agreement

I accept the financial aid being awarded by Aris FC and agree to adhere to all of the club's rules and regulations. I acknowledge that failure to do so may make my family ineligible for any future financial aid.

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_



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After processing your application for financial aid, Aris FC is unable to offer you any financial aid for this season as your application did not meet the requirements for the Aris FC Financial Aid Program. If you have questions about the Aris FC Financial Aid Policy or would like to know more about why your application was not approved, you can email the club at [financialaid@arisfc.org](mailto:financialaid@arisfc.org) or contact John Wilson at 615-417-3934.

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