

BC/YT SECTION

ATHLETE SUPPORT FUND



The Athlete Support Fund Committee raises money throughout the skating year at our Section Competitions selling 50/50 tickets and roses, and at our in-person AGM with an auction event. We thank everyone who supports these initiatives so that we can assist in supporting our skaters.

The Athlete Support Fund gives every skater who attends a Challenge Event, Canadian's Event and International Competitions some money to assist with their expenses. We pay for the BC/YT Team members to attend the BC/YT Section AGM banquet, as well as the cost of the Skater Banquet at the Kelowna Camp. We also offer Bursaries to skaters who are continuing their education.

There is a page on the skatinginbc.com website for the Athlete Support Fund – it is under Athletes. Please check it out – it lists winners of our 50/50 draws, upcoming fundraising events, and information on the Bursaries.

We have two types of Bursaries, and they are the Canadians Participants Bursary, and the Gold Athlete Bursary. The Application process is posted on the Website in April each year, and the deadline to submit your application is July 15th. The Committee reviews all of the applications and takes into consideration the quality of your application, your level of skating, marks and volunteer involvement. The Bursary amounts that are awarded are dependent upon the number of athletes applying, the funds available, and the quality of the applications.

Canadians Participant Bursary

Criteria: Must have competed at a Skate Canada Jr/Sr Canadians Competition. This includes all disciplines, with the exception of Solo Dance.

Skaters can apply for consecutive bursaries until they retire as Podium Pathway Athletes, plus the school year immediately following retirement.

Gold Athlete Bursary

Criteria: Must have achieved at least 3 of the 4 Gold Assessments (Dance, Skills, Free Skate, Artistic)

Skaters can receive this Bursary one time only