

The AthLife Foundation, Inc. 2016-2017 - Call for Applications & Proposals Student-Athlete Impact Grants

The AthLife Foundation is seeking high school grant applicants willing to implement effective programming that will promote the ideals of Positive Youth Development through Sport, and the critical creation of a professional academic-athletic support position.

The AthLife Foundation is conducting a search for select high schools, who compete interscholastically, and seek to create their own programming to utilize sport as a powerful vehicle to promoting academic achievement, develop leadership skills, and prepare deserving student athletes to compete in their future careers beyond sport. Schools that traditionally serve students from; lower socioeconomic public, non-public, Tribal/BIE schools, schools with statistically lower graduation rates, lower post-secondary matriculation rates, and higher percentages of students from single or no-parent households, are strongly encouraged to apply. The grant process is highly competitive.

High School's from the following states are eligible: Alabama, Connecticut, New Jersey, New York, & Pennsylvania. In addition, high schools from the following cities/regions are eligible: Jacksonville (FL) & adjacent cities/counties (FL); Los Angeles (CA); Oakland (CA) & adjacent cities/counties.

Nationally this grant opportunity is open to Tribal/BIE high schools, and both public/non-public high schools that serve Native American Youth (all 50 States).

The AthLife Foundation provides access to initial grant funds of up to \$10,000 for the 2016-17 academic year, to support the creation and ongoing maintenance of a professional year-round academic-athletic support position (part-time minimum); Continued grant funding beyond 2016-17 to help sustain the effort will be contingent upon school interest and successful execution of grant fund requirements and program implementation. Final grant award recipients will have additional access to the AthLife Foundation's national network and resource platform.

To be eligible for final consideration of the grant award, schools must:

- Request full grant application materials through the link below: http://www.athlife.org/site/section/programs/request_app_materials.php
- Upon receiving materials CONTACT for DEADLINE;
- Create a competitive plan to supplement and match funding request to sustain a minimum part-time position;
- Hire for and manage the payroll for the created position;
- 5. Designate in-school administrator to oversee program, supervise staff, and serve as main contact for AthLife Foundation;
- Dedicate space within the school for their staff to operate the program and work with student-athletes;
- Commit to collect and submit all required data on program's progress;
- Commit to sending a minimum of TWO staff members to the AthLife Foundation's industry leading conference, July 14-15-16 (Philadelphia, PA);
- 9. Target a minimum of one male and one female athletic team for program launch.

The AthLife Foundation provides a <u>national platform</u> of program resources and tools that include:

- Access to well-established consultants in the field of Positive Youth Development through Sport and Higher Education, specializing in assisting underprepared, academically at-risk students and implementing programming;
- Year-round consultation for program implementation strategies, best practices, curriculum materials, and program evaluation; training and professional development opportunity also available annually;
- Access to a network of collegiate level professionals through The National Association for Academic Advisors for Athletics (N4A), a training and professional development partner, with more than 1400 members;
- Use of Prep 48, an online NCAA Initial Eligibility tracking program for counselors, coaches, students, and parents, at a reduced cost to the schools (www.prep48.com);
- Total Recall Learning Innovative web based tutoring/individualized learning technology currently in place at more than 30 Division I College and University Academic-Athletic support centers, and several high schools. Free access to this program for Fundamentals of Algebra and Vocabulary Building as an SAT/ACT prep supplement available to schools willing to execute required data collection for its use;
- Peer to Peer networking with high school personnel around the country running programs to support and develop student-athletes; access to established online peer learner network with resources;
- Access to The AthLife Foundation's network of professional sports organizations and collegiate supporters to assist schools in creating opportunities for exposure to higher education, as well as, incentive and reward initiatives tied to participant effort.

The request for applications is open from: March 1, 2016 - June 17th, 2016

To request full application materials please visit:

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