



Stronghold Kids Jiu Jitsu Sponsorship Program

Since 2007, The Stronghold has taken pride in having one of the best Kids Jiu Jitsu Programs in San Diego. Many Stronghold kids have excelled greatly both on and off the mat. We attribute this to our focus of strengthening community among our coaches, parents and students. In 2011, The Stronghold received a grant to start a program for underprivileged youth, and The Stronghold Kids Sponsorship program was born. We will be awarding lifetime sponsorships to 5 applicants this summer. While we would love to be able to provide sponsorship to all applicants, we do request that the child meets the following criteria for eligibility:

1) Financial Hardship: Our program is focused for youth who wouldn't otherwise be able to pay for Jiu Jitsu lessons. Financial hardship includes, but not limited to: (Low income, Parent Unemployment, Parent Disability)

2) Academics: Student must be between the ages of 7-17 attending a public, private or home school and have legal US status.

3) Commitment/Dedication/Attitude: The child is crime and drug-free, the child is driven, has a desire to learn, is willing to succeed in the art of Jiu Jitsu, and can readily listen to instruction and execute tasks. We request that participate in at least 2 classes a week. The child is respectful to others including coaches and fellow students and exhibits good behavior on a consistent basis.

4) Support Group: The child has a committed support group that will be able to transport them to and from classes 2-3 times a week. Stronghold does not provide transportation to any students at this time. We also stress the importance of parents or guardians to watch their students during class. We have observed that the best students are those who have active parent/guardian involvement.

There are 3 phases to the application process:

1) Written Application: Applicant will fill out an application. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

2) Group Class Participation: Applicant will participate in a group intro class in order to assess how well they will do with group/team participation and responding to the coaches.

3) Individual Interview: Applicant and family will be interviewed by our coaches.



APPLICATION: 2012 STRONGHOLD KIDS JIU JITSU SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM

APPLICANT INFORMATION

APPLICANT NAME:	
SCHOOL:	GRADE:
BIRTHDAY:	AGE:
STREET ADDRESS (Address, City, State, Zip Code):	
IS APPLICANT A U.S. CITIZEN?	

HOUSEHOLD INFORMATION

MOTHER/ GUARDIAN:	
E-MAIL ADDRESS:	PHONE NUMBER:
FATHER/ GUARDIAN:	
E-MAIL ADDRESS:	PHONE NUMBER:
LANGUAGE(S) SPOKEN AT HOME:	
APPLICANT LIVES WITH (PLEASE CHECK ALL THAT APPLY): <input type="checkbox"/> Mother <input type="checkbox"/> Father <input type="checkbox"/> Step-Mother <input type="checkbox"/> Step-Father <input type="checkbox"/> Grandmother <input type="checkbox"/> Grandfather <input type="checkbox"/> Guardian (Indicate relationship) _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Ward of Court	

PARENT/GUARDIAN STATEMENT

<p>Please check any special family situations that might be relevant to success in this scholarship program (add any other situations that are not listed). Feel free to add any additional information in the space provided.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Single Parent <input type="checkbox"/> Absent Parent <input type="checkbox"/> Custody Issues <input type="checkbox"/> Poor relations between parents <input type="checkbox"/> Loss of employment <input type="checkbox"/> Homelessness <input type="checkbox"/> Teen Parent <input type="checkbox"/> Extended family raising applicant</p>

Please list below any special family situations that might be relevant to success in this sponsorship program:

Apart from financial considerations, how could this program benefit your child's future? Please include your goals, aspirations and hopes for your child's future. (Attach another sheet if needed).

APPLICANT STATEMENT

**(Parent/Guardian may assist with this portion if necessary,
but we request that applicant fills out this portion)**

What is your favorite subject in school and why?

Who helps you with your homework?

Where do you do your homework?

What is your least favorite subject in school?

List any extra-curricular activities that you have in school:

What hobbies or interests do you have?

What chores do you perform at home?

List any awards that you have received in school.

Who is someone you look up to? Why?

Tell us at least one thing that you like about yourself and that you are proud of?

Why do you feel that you deserve to be part of this program?

REFERENCES (PLEASE LIST AT LEAST 3, UP TO 5 TOTAL)

NAME:		
RELATIONSHIP TO APPLICANT:		YEARS KNOWN:
E-MAIL ADDRESS:	PHONE NUMBER:	

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