




ONTARIO SOCCER  
7601 Martin Grove Road, Vaughan ON L4L 9E4  
905.264.9390 • ontariosoccer.net

Proud Member of 

Play.  
Inspire.  
Unite.

## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** OPDL License Holders  
**FROM:** Gabriel Assis, Manager Player Development Program  
**CC:** OPDL Management Staff, OPDL Technical Staff  
**DATE:** January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
**SUBJECT:** 2018 Athlete Scholarship Program

---

The "OPDL Fee Assistance Program" was established in 2014. Moving forward, this program will be designated the "OPDL Athlete Scholarship Program".

This change reflects a shift in priority for the program. The "OPDL Athlete Scholarship Program" will recognize commitment of eligible OPDL athletes, while providing concentrated funding to OPDL players with a demonstrated significant playing potential.

Over the past 4 years, \$216,500 in grants have been made available to OPDL players. In 2018 the OPDL Athlete Scholarship Program will award a total of \$122,000.00 to eligible full time OPDL players, with grants ranging from \$750-\$1,500. These grants will continue to defray the costs of OPDL participation for families.

Applications for grants will continue to follow the same process, whereby Licence Holders will submit applications on behalf of interested athletes and parents within their OPDL program. In addition to the athlete & parent information and the most recent Notice of Assessment, a Technical Assessment of the athlete will need to be submitted by the Technical Director.

Required information, as well as eligibility and selection criteria are outlined in the [Athlete Scholarship Program Manual](#), which is now available on theopdl.com.

The application window for the 2018 Athlete Scholarship will open on **Thursday February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018** and will remain open until **Sunday April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018**.

Following selection of the grant awardees, Licence Holders will be notified of athletes in their OPDL program who have been selected.

If you have any question, please contact [Gabriel Assis](#) |905-264-9390 Ext 249