



# Central Coast Athletics Foundation Scholarship Program 2025

*Fostering Futures: Empowering Student-Athletes to Pursue Higher Education through  
Passion for Athletics.*

## Scholarship Announcement:

The Central Coast Athletics Foundation is delighted to announce the commencement of the 2025 edition of its annual scholarship contest. As an organization deeply committed to promoting youth athletics and community engagement, CCAF is the founder of numerous running events in our community, including the AG All Comer Track Meets, Ryan's Ranch Run, Jingle Bell Dash, Elementary School Championships, and The Peregrines Youth Track Club.

CCAF is a nonprofit organization recognized as tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3), founded in 2022 by people who are advocating athletics for our young people because we know firsthand the positive, lifelong impact of this sport. Our primary focus is athletics event creation and management, while operating a competitive youth track team. We act as a giver of grants and scholarships to advance the young people in the sport of track and field on the Central Coast of California.

## Eligibility Criteria:

The Central Coast Athletics Foundation (CCAF) Scholarship recognizes student-athletes who have demonstrated commitment, resilience, and leadership in youth athletics while making a positive impact on their community.

- **Be a high school senior attending a school**
- **Have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher**
- **Active volunteer and/or participant in CCAF events**
- **Plan to enroll in a community college, trade school, accredited college or university in the United States for the upcoming academic year.**

## Selection Process & Details:

The CCAF Board members will carefully review all applicants' essays, video submission or a creative presentation to select 4 applicant winners. Each scholarship will be \$1000, awarded directly to assist in your future endeavors.

Scholarship winners will be announced on May 7, 2025. Winners will be presented with their checks at the Kiwanis Elementary School Track Championships at Nipomo High School on May 17, 2025.

## Application Requirements:

**Applicants must submit either Essay, Video, Personal Statement Slideshow or Digital Presentation addressing one of the below topics. Creativity is encouraged, such as including clips from competitions, training, or volunteer**

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- **Video Submission:** (2-3 minutes) Applicants can record a short video sharing their responses to one of the below topics.
- **Personal Statement Slideshow or Digital Presentation:** (minimum 5 slides) A visual presentation (PowerPoint, Canva, or Google Slides) with photos, captions, and brief explanations.
- **Essay (under 500 words):** Applicants can submit a short written essay on one of the below topics.

**Essay, Video Submission or Creative Presentation Topics:**

1. **Overcoming Adversity:** Describe a challenge you have faced in athletics or life, how you overcame it.
2. **Lessons in Leadership & Teamwork:** Share a personal accomplishment in sports and how it demonstrated leadership, teamwork, or perseverance.
3. **Growth Through Athletics:** Reflect on a significant moment or change in your athletic journey. How did it shape your character, mindset, or future goals.

**Additional Requirements: Include the following items with your submission.**

- **Career Aspirations & Educational Plan:** Explain your career goals and the specific educational path you plan to take to achieve them.
- **Community Involvement:** Your participation in CCAF and community events is a key factor in selection. Please highlight any volunteer experiences with CCAF, your school, or other organizations.
- **Letter of Recommendation:** Attach a letter of recommendation from a former coach who can speak to your character, work ethic, and contributions to athletics.

**Submission Deadline:**

Please submit entries, including your name and contact information, to: [weareccaf@yahoo.com](mailto:weareccaf@yahoo.com) Entries will be accepted until the end of the day on May 3, 2025.

**Announcement and Presentation:**

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**We look forward to receiving your submissions and celebrating the achievements of our student-athletes in our community.**