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KidSport is a national non-profit organization which believes that no kid should be left on the sidelines and all should be given the opportunity to experience the positive benefits of organized sport. KidSport provides support to children in order to remove financial barriers that prevent them from participating.

KidSport Edmonton is one of more than 170 chapters across Canada that raises money locally to help kids in their community participate in organized sport. Since launching in 1995, KidSport Edmonton has provided sport opportunities to 9,206 kids and distributed more than \$1.26 million towards sport registration fees. All funds raised by KidSport Edmonton stay in our community to create sport opportunities for local children.

We want to be able to reach as many kids as possible, and if your organization is aware of how KidSport works, we can only hope that you will be able to provide the information to children and families that need it.

Here's the program criteria:

- 1. It must be a sustained sport experience over a period of time. For example, a season of soccer, hockey, gymnastics, martial arts, etc. We are unable to fund day camps, or any one-day events.
- 2. **It must be led by a qualified instructor.** For example, we will fund swimming lessons, but not a pool pass. \*Note: City of Edmonton Leisure Access Pass and YMCA Opportunity Fund could also help with this.
- 3. **It must be a sport program.** We do fund dance programs, though dance does not have a provincially recognized sport body. We do not fund programs like Scouts, drama, art, music, or other similar programs.
  - \*\*See page 2 for a listing of the different sports we funded in 2013

We recently increased our maximum funding amount to \$200 per child under the age of 18 per calendar year and we are hoping this will make a bigger impact. I have attached our application form to this email and it is also available online at <a href="https://www.kidsport.ab.ca">www.kidsport.ab.ca</a>. Click on Edmonton chapter. Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Thank you in advance for your help connecting families in need to KidSport.

Sincerely,

Shannon Werbicki Community Outreach Manager KidSport Edmonton





## Here is a listing of all of the sport programs KidSport Edmonton supported in 2013

Sport	# of Kids	Sport	# of Kids	Sport	# of Kids
Adapted Physical Training	5	Gymnastics (incl. rhythmic)	81	Rugby	2
Athletics	5	Hockey (ball)	15	School Sports*	70*
Badminton	2	Hockey (ice)	135	Skiing	7
Baseball	15	Hockey (inline)	1	Skating	68
Basketball	57	Jiu Jitsu	1	Soccer	591
Bowling	3	Karate	10	Sport Camps	7
Boxing	9	Kung Fu	1	Swimming	37
Cheer	7	Lacrosse	2	Synchro Swim	1
Climbing (wall)	1	Martial Arts	6	Tae Kwon Do	92
Cycling	1	Multi Sport Program	4	Tennis	6
Dance	70	Ringette	2	Volleyball	14
Fencing	2	Jr. Roller Derby	2	Wrestling	1
Football	61				

 $<sup>\</sup>hbox{*School Sports listed for information only--numbers are included in various sport totals}$