

Dear prospective student and family,

We are so happy that you have found our scholarship program! Hand in Hand Water Safety Awareness Foundation is happy to partner with Safe Swim NC to provide swim training at a reduced rate to eligible families. Our program not only provides lifesaving swim skills to your child(ren), but parents and caregivers also have the opportunity to learn about water safety. Scholarships are available on a limited first come, first served basis and are dependent on instructor availability.

Our schedules fill up fast, and we are often booked as much as one year in advance. Before applying for a scholarship, all prospective applicants are required to observe a lesson. There, you will learn more about our program, our training schedule, and pricing, and we will be glad to answer any questions you may have. Please note that, if selected, all scholarship recipients are required to volunteer their time for a minimum six hours with Hand in Hand Water Safety Awareness Foundation. Many scholarship families choose to continue their volunteer service beyond this because they are so passionate about the programs we provide.

If you decide this training is right for your family, you will need to submit your application to info@handinhandwatersafety.org. You will receive a response by email within 30 days confirming or denying your acceptance to the scholarship program. If approved, a member of our staff or our volunteer scholarship coordinator will be in touch to schedule lessons and discuss next steps. If you are not selected, Safe Swim NC is happy to offer payment plans to assist you with survival swim training for your family.

Please find details on the scholarship process and the application attached, and text (336) 423-3844 to schedule your observation.

Thank you, and we look forward to meeting you!

Darlene Haskins

Owner and Lead Instructor, Safe Swim NC

Founder and Executive Director, Hand in Hand Water Safety Awareness Foundation



Hand in Hand Water Safety Awareness Foundation may grant full or partial scholarships to eligible families. Please note these scholarships are for families that truly cannot afford the training offered by Safe Swim NC. Hand in Hand Water Safety Awareness Foundation grants scholarships to students ages 6 to adult. If you are seeking swim lessons for a child ages 6 months to 6 years, please apply for a scholarship through our friends at Live Like Jake here: <http://livelikejake5k.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/07/Live-Like-Jake-Scholarship-Application.pdf>

ELIGIBILITY and REQUIREMENTS:

- Assistance is granted on the basis of financial need. We consider household income and number of legal dependents as the primary criteria. While we understand that monthly expenses can be extensive, it is impossible to base scholarship awards on each individual budget.
- We believe that a sense of ownership is developed if the participant contributes to the cost of his/her involvement. Therefore, scholarship recipients may pay a percentage of the program fees. All scholarship recipients must pay the non-negotiable applicable registration fees. Scholarship recipients will also be required to complete a minimum of 6 volunteer service hours with Hand in Hand Water Safety Awareness Foundation. This may include distributing educational materials, helping with events, or other tasks relative to the parents' or caregiver's skills and abilities.
- Scholarships are granted for one initial session for up to 6 weeks of lessons. Only one scholarship will be awarded per student for life. Families are financially responsible for any maintenance or refresher courses following the initial training. The original scholarship application information is valid for 6 months after original approval; if the applicant does not enroll within the 6 month period, a new application must be submitted.
- Scheduling for scholarship recipients is based on the availability of the instructors at Safe Swim NC. Scholarship recipients may not book lessons after 3 p.m.
- As part of our ongoing awareness and education at Hand in Hand, we ask that you allow photos, video, and press releases about your experience as a scholarship recipient to be shared publicly on our website, social media, and in public media outlets.



REQUIRED DOCUMENTS:

Along with the completed application, a copy of the following documents must be provided to process the application. (For security measures please black out your SSN on all documents) **INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

- Driver's License
- Two current pay stubs (an additional two from your spouse/partner, if applicable)
- Your most recent tax return (e.g. complete 1040 form, federal tax return, not your W2 form).
- Letter explaining why you need assistance with supporting documentation if applicable. Share any extenuating circumstances that you feel should be considered when your application is being reviewed and the weekly amount you can afford toward the lessons.

IF APPLICABLE PLEASE INCLUDE:

- "Did Not File" taxes form (page 7 of this application) **PROOF REQUIRED**
- Social Security or Disability benefit statement
- Unemployment benefit statement
- Child support statement

SUBMISSION PROCESS:

- **BEFORE SUBMITTING AN APPLICATION**, all potential scholarship applicants must schedule a date and time to observe a lesson with Safe Swim NC at The Fitness Center, 861 Old Winston Rd. in Kernersville, NC. Please text Darlene Haskins at (336) 423-3844 or email darlene@handinhandwatersafety.org to make arrangements.
- Please send completed application and all supporting documentation to info@handinhandwatersafety.org OR mail to Hand in Hand Water Safety Awareness Foundation, P.O. Box 2193, Kernersville, NC 27285. **INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**
- Completed applications will be processed within 30 days, and applicants will receive notification of their status (approved or denied) via email. If your application has been approved, you will be contacted by an instructor from Safe Swim NC to enroll in lessons.
- All financial information contained in the scholarship application will remain confidential, and will be destroyed after processing.



Hand in Hand
Water Safety Awareness Foundation

P.O. Box 2193
Kernersville, NC 27285
info@handinhandwatersafety.org

HAND IN HAND WATER SAFETY AWARENESS FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION			
Full Name of Parent or Legal Guardian:			
Date of Birth:		Email Address:	
Address/City/State/Zip:			
Phone Number:		Alt. Phone:	
LEGAL DEPENDANTS			
	Full Name	Date of Birth	
Spouse or Partner:			
Children:			
REQUESTING SCHOLARSHIP(S) FOR:			
Applicant's Name		Age	
EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION			
Employer:		Phone:	
Occupation:		Supervisor:	
Length of Employment:			
SPOUSE/PARTNER EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION			
Employer:		Phone:	
Occupation:		Supervisor:	
Length of Employment:			
INCOME INFORMATION (DO NOT LEAVE BLANK)			
Total Monthly Net Income:		\$	
Other Income (child support, public assistance, etc.):		\$	
Total Monthly Income BEFORE Taxes:		\$	
Weekly Amount You Can Afford Toward Lessons		\$	



PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING AND SIGN BELOW:

I hereby certify that the information in this application is true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge. I am aware that it is my responsibility to notify Hand in Hand Water Safety Awareness Foundation in writing of any change in the information supplied on this application, as it may affect my eligibility for financial assistance. I understand that every part of this application must be completed and that I must provide adequate proof on income in order for my application to be processed. I understand that incomplete applications cannot be processed.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Printed Name of Applicant

Signature of Spouse/Partner

Date

Printed Name of Spouse/Partner



RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

I, on behalf of myself, my child, my heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and/or assigns, as a condition of receiving financial support from Hand in Hand Water Safety Awareness Foundation for my child to participate in self-rescue swim lessons, waive all claims for any personal injury, death, loss of health, financial loss or damage to property occurring during, or as the result of my child's participation in self-rescue swim lessons. Furthermore, I indemnify, hold harmless and affirmatively release Live Like Jake Foundation, Inc., its program staff and their affiliates, principals, employees and/or agents for any such loss, damage, injury or liabilities. This release of liability includes any claims made against Live Like Jake Foundation, Inc. related to my child's participation in self-rescue swim lessons with an independent instructor. I understand risks are associated with self-rescue swim lessons. I waive all claims against the Foundation as described above without limitation.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Printed Name of Applicant

Signature of Spouse/Partner

Date

Printed Name of Spouse/Partner



“DID NOT FILE” TAXES FORM (IF APPLICABLE - PROOF REQUIRED)

I did not file a Federal tax return for the year: _____ because my income level (which excludes social security income) was below the Federal Filing requirements.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Printed Name of Applicant

Signature of Spouse/Partner

Date

Printed Name of Spouse/Partner



DIGITAL RELEASE FORM FOR MINOR CHILDREN

I, being the Parent/Legal Guardian of _____, hereby consent to the use of images, depictions, and recordings notated below of the above named minor by Hand in Hand Water Safety Awareness Foundation their assigns or successors at its sole discretion. I, with my signature below, acknowledge that such photographs, films, recordings and videos shall be the property of Hand in Hand Water Safety Awareness Foundation, and they shall have the right to duplicate, reproduce, and make other uses of such media as notated below as they may desire free and clear of any claim whatsoever.

- Photographs, video, or digital images of my child for use in promotional or educational materials as follows:
 - Printed publications or materials
 - Electronic publications or presentations
 - Website (www.handinhandwatersafety.org)
 - Social media, including, but not limited to, Facebook, Instagram, Twitter

I agree that my child's name and identity (PLEASE CHOOSE ONE):

- May be revealed ONLY by first name, last initial and age
- May not be revealed in descriptive text or commentary in connection with the image(s).

I authorize the use of these images indefinitely without compensation to me. All negatives, positives, prints, digital reproductions and videotape shall be the property of Hand in Hand Water Safety Awareness Foundation.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Printed Name of Applicant

Signature of Spouse/Partner

Date

Printed Name of Spouse/Partner