



FREESTYLE BC PERFORMANCE GIRLSTYLERZ COMPETITION TRAVEL BURSARY

Freestyle BC aims to create programs of excellence that enhance the female athlete experience in the sport; from the grassroots Girlstylerz level to the provincial program performance level. One of the greatest barriers to sport for girls and women is the funds necessary to participate, specifically towards equipment and travel. Freestyle BC wants to support performance level Prospect and BC Team athletes who face some of the highest costs of travel for competition. With support from viaSport, we are awarding bursaries in the amount of \$500 to 6 eligible applicants to assist with travel expenses to competitive events in the 2022-23 season.

Eligible applicants are defined as:

- Athletes registered with a Freestyle BC sanctioned club or program.
- Athletes identified as 'Prospect' or 'Provincial' team members.
- Athletes who are CSI carded.
- Athletes who identify as female.

Applications will be assessed based on the following criteria:

- Submitted by an eligible applicant (as outlined above) using the supplied online Google form.
- Accompanied by a social media post outlining the criteria outlined below.
- Submitted by the deadline **December 21, 2022**.

The goal of the program is to support as many athletes as possible. However, due to limited funds available, we are unable to fulfill all applications. Priority will be given to:

- Athletes who plan to travel to a minimum of two Canadian National and/or NorAm level competitions before March 30, 2023.
- Athletes with a creative or inspirational edge to their social media post.

The deciding committee will consist of 5 members from the Freestyle BC Board and staff.

If successful, applicants will be asked to complete a survey to report on the outcomes of the events attended. The survey will be distributed to successful applicants via email after the competition season has concluded.



Application Steps:

- Complete the online application Google form on the Freestyle BC website.
- Upload a video or photo to your socials outlining the following criteria below. Be sure to tag Freestyle BC.

Social Media Post Criteria:

Create a story or post (either video or photo) (less than 90 seconds long) outlining your competition experiences and goals. Your post should include answers to some of the following questions:

- Why do you love competition?
- How do you prepare for competition?
- What is your competition goal this season?
- How will this support from Freestyle BC help you towards your competitive goals?
- What would you say to younger Girlstylerz athletes who are considering pursuing more competition experiences?