

Yoga East Financial Aid Information 2018

Notice of Nondiscriminatory Policy as to Students

Yoga East, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit educational organization and admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in administration of its educational/admissions policies, scholarships, and other school-administered programs.

Dear Financial Aid Applicant:

Yoga East recognizes that many American families are experiencing increasing economic restraints. Our mission is to make the benefits of yoga available to everyone regardless of financial ability to pay class fees. We structure our class fees to keep yoga classes affordable for most people. We also offer reduced fee classes (\$5) at all locations. Our scholarships are reserved for individuals with low income who otherwise would not have access to yoga classes or yoga teacher training. We can also offer limited fee reductions to students with temporary financial hardships such as layoff, unemployment, bankruptcy or other hardship.

Do not apply for a Yoga East scholarship:

- If you, or a family member who resides with you, has a membership at a gym or fitness center which offers yoga classes, or if you attend classes at another yoga facility, or if such classes are available to you. Our scholarships are only for individuals who truly have no other access to yoga but for our financial aid.
- If your income is in excess of \$48,000. Please note that we base our decisions on federal poverty guidelines. Requests for fee reductions will not be considered if your income greatly exceeds the guidelines. Special circumstances, such as medical bills, family obligations (supporting an elderly parent or a single parent with minor children) will be considered.
- If you will not be able to attend classes regularly or help in the studios. Our aid awards are only for students with a regular yoga practice and commitment to Yoga East. Students who receive financial aid should assist us by volunteering at the desk, helping to orient new students, cleaning the studios or assisting at events and workshops. Our volunteer coordinator will contact you.

Note: if the value of your aid award exceeds \$600 in a calendar year, this is reported to the IRS on a Form 1099.

With Deep Gratitude for Your Interest,

Laura Spaulding

Laura Spaulding, President
Yoga East, Inc.

Application for Needs-Based Yoga East Financial Aid

Name

Address

City

State

Zip

Phone:

Email:

Classes at Yoga East I am currently **regularly** attending:

I will volunteer my services at the studios **regularly** on these days and times:

TO PROVE FINANCIAL NEED:

(1) include a copy of your most recent federal tax return. Do not include copies of your schedules and state returns. Do not send the originals.

(2) If you did not file a tax return, or special circumstances apply to you, check the box below that applies to you:

- I did not earn enough income to file a tax return.
- I am unemployed and my family's sole income is unemployment benefits.
- I qualified for an Earned Income Tax Credit on my most recent tax return.
- I am a resident of a shelter, halfway house, transitional housing or Section 8 housing.
- I am a full-time student below age 21, not employed full-time, and reside in student housing or with parents.
- I am disabled and my sole income is SSI/disability/workers compensation benefits.
- Other circumstances - explain on a separate sheet or the back of this sheet.

I certify the information given on this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

X

Dated

(Signature Required)

Reduced rate fees are: Monthly membership by auto debit: \$45; Drop-in fee: \$5 per class. Work-study arrangements are considered.

Drop off at one of the studios or mail to:

Yoga East, Inc.
1125 E Kentucky Street
Louisville, KY 40204

All information you provide us is confidential.