



## LA Grand Prix Scholarship Fund

- Promotional Pamphlet

### **"Everyone is a Winner"**

#### **The who, what, when, why, and how of the Grand Prix Scholarship Program**

##### *WHO?*

Every youth in Louisiana can earn scholarship points by bowling. To create and implement the most innovative scholarship program ever developed for any sport, your area bowling center has joined hands with other bowling centers across the state of Louisiana. This scholarship program rewards participation unlike most that tend to reward size, speed, or skill. The Grand Prix Scholarship Program, developed by the Texas Bowling Centers Association and operated under the Foundation of the Louisiana Bowling Proprietors Association, rewards participation in the sport of bowling. Since every youth bowler in Louisiana is eligible to enroll and participate in the Grand Prix Scholarship Program, it is truly a program where "EVERYONE IS A WINNER".

##### *WHAT?*

This scholarship program known as the Grand Prix Scholarship Program is open to all youth bowlers eligible for USBC youth competition. Pre-school age youths are considered eligible to participate. Enrolled youth bowlers accumulate "points" in their local bowling center and local area by participating in league bowling and other related bowling activities. Points are credited under the youth bowler's name until they graduate from high school as long as they enroll annually in the program. The more bowling activities a youth participates in each year the more points (scholarship dollars) can be credited and this assures that "EVERYONE IS A WINNER".

##### *WHEN?*

In order to get started in the program, a youth bowler must apply for registration in the program through a local participating bowling center. The annual fee is \$2.00 per youth. The youth bowler while accumulating their Grand Prix points must be in a local bowling program each year until they graduate from high school. The registered youth bowlers each year work with their bowling center in fundraising activities. Although no ceiling is placed on the amount, a minimum of \$10.00 per registered youth is required to be raised at the local level to fund the program. The more that is raised the more that is received in scholarships. When the youth bowler graduates from high school and within 18 months enrolls in some kind of advanced education beyond high school level such as trade school, college, or university, the accumulated scholarship dollars are paid to the education institution on behalf of the youth bowler. The institution must be accredited by the corresponding state. 100% of all funds raised locally are returned to the center's registered youth bowlers in the form of scholarship dollars to further prove the point that "EVERYONE IS A WINNER".

### *WHY?*

Year-in and year-out bowling has the largest number of participants of any organized sport. In order to develop and maintain this as the largest scholarship fund for any sport, it takes the combined effort locally with a statewide effort. State-wide fundraising efforts are being conducted and corporate sponsors are being sought. These combined efforts are necessary to serve the largest number of youth bowlers that are and will be part of this program. All other combined efforts are necessary in order to serve the largest number of youth bowlers that are and will be a part of this program. All other combined efforts will make sure that "EVERYONE IS A WINNER".

### *HOW?*

Your local bowling center awards points for participation in league bowling and other bowling related activities. Through a number of statewide youth tournaments additional points can be earned by just entering the tournaments. Your local bowling center will keep you informed about scholarship point event opportunities as a large number of these events will be conducted in or near your local area. Each year registered youth will be notified about their accumulated scholarship points. We hope this brief introduction will get you excited about the opportunity you have to participate in a larger, well organized scholarship program. Ask you local bowling center for registration details and any other request you may have. Remember, in the Grand Prix Scholarship Program "EVERYONE IS A WINNER".