

DISTRICT 21 YOUTH NABC GRANT PROGRAM

1. District 21 (“the District”) is offering grants of up to \$500.00 for qualified District members to attend the Youth North American Bridge Championships during the summer Nationals. Grant amounts within the District’s annual limit of \$10,000.00 will depend on the number of qualified applicants, with priority given, if necessary, to first-time grant recipients.
2. To be qualified, an applicant must be under 20 years of age as of June 15 of the grant year and a member in good standing of the American Contract Bridge League. ACBL Junior memberships are available at <https://my.acbl.org/membership/join> for \$5. Applicants under 18 must provide proof they will have a responsible adult chaperone during travel and while attending the Championships, and dependent applicants must submit a signed copy of the attached parental release and waiver form.
3. Completed applications and related forms must be submitted to the Chair of the District’s Youth NABC Grant Program located at the addresses specified on the application form no later than one week prior to Memorial Day. The Chair, who is appointed by the District President, in turn appoints two other District Board representatives to a committee to review the applications.
4. This notice of the Grant Program and the related application forms will be distributed via email by the District Secretary to all District Board Representatives, Unit Presidents and Secretaries, and all known Youth Bridge Organizations (“YBOs”) in the District no later than the third Monday in March.
5. Units and YBOs are responsible for notifying and soliciting grant applicants, distributing and collecting the applications, determining whether to make their own awards to applicants, and forwarding completed applications to the Chair of the District Grant Program.
6. The Grant Program Committee will complete review of all timely applications by the Thursday of the California Capital Regional tournament. The Chair shall report on all approved and rejected applications during the meetings of the Executive Committee and Board at the California Capital Regional tournament. The Committee will attempt to distribute grants evenly within the limitations of Paragraph 1.

7. The District Treasurer shall, if practical, send notifications and grants to the Presidents of sponsoring Units and leaders of YBOs for distribution to the applicants. All grants must be endorsed by the applicant named on the grant.

8. A grant is subject to refund if the District is unable to verify the grantee's attendance at the Youth NABC. Those who accept grants are expected to complete a questionnaire about the effect and impact of the Grant Program. A final report will be made at the last District Board meeting of the year.