

Quick Facts about Warriors Finances

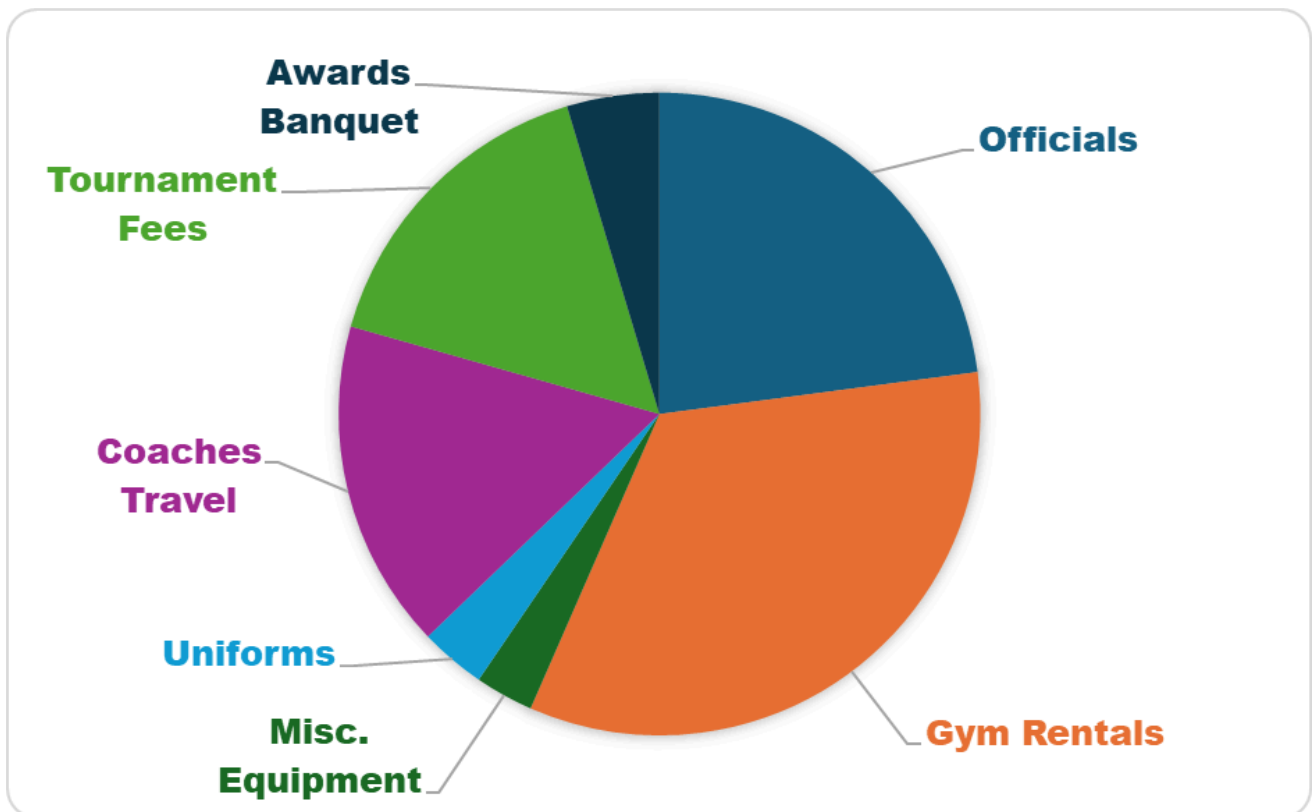
Program Budget Items

Running a large homeschool basketball program is expensive and has many different costs. Some are obvious, while others you might not think of. To provide a fun, competitive, safe, Christian basketball environment for our players and families, our expenses include:

- Maintaining and replacing uniforms 5 high school and 2 junior high school teams
- Rental of gym facilities for practices, games, tournaments/invitationals, etc.
- Tournament registration fees
- Paying game official/referees
- Equipment and supplies such as basketballs, scorebooks, clipboards, sticky mats, etc.
- Awards banquet expenses
- When funds allow, travel reimbursement for coaches (mileage and lodging)

Program Costs

- **Gym rentals** are by far our largest expense (even though some of our gyms are very generous towards us)
- **Officials** are our next largest non-discretionary expense, followed by **tournament registration fees**.
- **Coaches travel reimbursement**, if paid for all away games, is another large but important expense.
- **Uniform replacements** are costly as well. Although we typically only replace a few each year, many of our uniforms are several years old and showing wear.



Costs Per Player

On average, our costs approach **\$600 per high school player** and **\$300 per junior high player**.

2025-2026 Registration Fees

The Warriors are raising registration fees for junior high and high school players this year; however, we are lowering fees for Scouts slightly. We are also increasing the *multi-player discount* for families with three or more JH/HS players. Our per player fees this year are:

- \$250 for high school players
- \$150 for junior high players
- \$75 for Scout team players

**When three or more children from the same family are registered at the junior high and/or high school levels, the third and each additional child will receive a \$25 discount (discount not applicable to Scout team players).*

These fees are still very low compared to our costs per player and compared to programs we compete with in the Lincoln/Omaha area, Twin Cities, and Kansas City area. These programs typically require \$400-500 in registration fees for high school players.

How We Keep Registration Affordable

We know youth sports are a big commitment for families. One of our top priorities is to keep our program accessible while still offering a full, competitive season. To make this possible:

- The Board of Directors, coaches, and parent volunteers raise money through concessions, admissions, and fundraisers.
- We build strong relationships with gym owners, often helping with maintenance and improvement projects to keep rental rates reasonable.

Options to Help Families Offset Registration Costs

- **Scholarships:** The Board offers scholarships for families with financial need. If this applies to you, please email Charles Ikenberry at desmoineswarriors@gmail.com. We will handle all requests discreetly. (All single-parent families automatically qualify, no questions asked.)
- **New Fundraiser** (theboss.biz) This year we are launching a new early-season fundraiser **to help cover the costs of new uniforms for both HS and JH levels. Through this fundraiser, families will also have the opportunity to earn incentives to offset registration fee increases.** Details on the new fundraiser will be coming soon and will also be discussed at the Parents Meeting on October 13th.

Thank You

The Warriors would not be possible without the dedication of our families — your time, energy, and generosity keep the program running strong. Thank you for being part of this community.

—The Des Moines Warriors Board