

# The Ernesto J. Alvarado Scholarship "SCHOLARS AND STRIKERS"

## Exclusively for International Football Club athletes

### Requirements:

#### Applicant/Nominee...

- ✚ **Must** be enrolled with IFC
- ✚ **Must** be nominated by THE TEAM
- ✚ **Must** give a 2-5 minutes speech the day the scholarship award is presented, expressing his/her gratitude towards the scholarship and how this award has motivated him/her to continue to work hard

Send nominations to [coachwilliamchavez@gmail.com](mailto:coachwilliamchavez@gmail.com)

**\*\* 2 SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS of \$250.00 \*\***

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### SCHOLARSHIP OBJECTIVES:

#### To...

- ✚ reward hardworking, disciplined, respectful and responsible young athletes
- ✚ motivate young student-athletes to continue to work hard, both on the field and in the classroom
- ✚ empower young student-athletes from different parts of the world to keep being good role-models for their fellow teammates
- ✚ develop local youth talent and encourage athletic and academic excellence

**—This scholarship has been founded  
and created by Ernesto Joaquin Alvarado—**

*The Ernesto J. Alvarado Scholarship "Scholars and Strikers" is sponsored by Ernesto J. Alvarado. Mr. Alvarado was a former player who played high school, NCAA Division I, and semi-professional soccer in Italy. In addition, he played in several youth tournaments in Sweden, Denmark, and England, and is a Tahuichi Academy alumnus. He is a close family friend and former teammate of Coach Chavez. Mr. Alvarado is now an anti-corruption attorney in Washington, DC.*

*"I learned all about life with a ball at my feet." – Ronaldinho*

*Mr. Alvarado credits much of his experiences and friendships to his involvement in youth soccer. He also was very aware of the doors that soccer and academics opens for local children. Mr. Alvarado wants to encourage children to work hard on the field and in the classroom. He strongly believes that talent alone is not enough to succeed – one has to be disciplined, respectful, and hard working! In addition to working hard and giving a maximum effort, the kids should also focus on one more thing – TO HAVE FUN! Soccer players should enjoy every kick of the ball and every game they play. Through soccer, we are able to develop a sense of community and bring our closest friends and family together. All children should get to enjoy the beautiful game and everything it teaches. Like Mr. Alvarado, working hard in the classroom, on the field, and having fun with teammates can change a child's life. We must continue to support these children and their dreams early so that they can turn them into reality!*

*The scholarship is dedicated to Mr. Joaquin Alvarado and Mr. Evans Amegashie – the first coaches that made this scholarship possible.*

*Soccer has helped so many people accomplish their dreams and for that reason,*

**The Ernesto J. Alvarado Scholarship "Scholars and Strikers" will donate \$500 to International Football Club (IFC).**

*The winners of this scholarship will receive \$250 each that will cover half of their next season fees.*

**The Ernesto J. Alvarado Scholarship "Scholars and Strikers" concurs with**

International Football Club's philosophy...

Founded in 2011, International Football Club (IFC) is a non-profit youth soccer club based in Northern Virginia that aims to make a positive impact in the lives of young children through soccer. Our mission is to use "The Beautiful Game" to teach youth positive social and life skills. Under the guidance of a quality coaching and managing staff, our focus is to promote academic achievement, character and leadership development, and healthy lifestyles through soccer-based programs. Ultimately, we seek to entrust our players with the values of becoming leaders in the community because we believe in the potential of young people to lead and succeed.

