

# **Kyle VanWinkle Memorial Scholarship**

## **About**

*Kyle VanWinkle was a kind-hearted, soft spoken and empathetic person. He lived his life always putting others before himself and strived to be the best father, husband, son and friend he could be.*

*Kyle was an avid sports fan and a successful student athlete. Kyle played football at William Jewell College in Liberty, Missouri. He was always willing to step in wherever he was needed and believed in working hard, being kind and always doing the next right thing. After losing Kyle much too early on December 1, 2013, family and friends have searched for ways to honor his memory.*

*To commemorate his life and to ensure he will continue his legacy of helping others, the “Kyle VanWinkle Memorial Scholarship” was established. The scholarship recipients selected will be individuals that embody the same unwavering kindness, compassion and a commitment to making decisions that are guided by strong moral values. The Kyle VanWinkle Memorial Scholarship will award one \$1,000 scholarship to a student in pursuit of post-secondary education at Smithville High School.*

## **Eligibility Requirements**

- You are a Smithville High School senior who graduates in May 2024.
- You plan on attending an accredited college or university beginning the Fall Semester of 2024 as a full-time freshman student.

## **Selection Criteria**

- Character
- Leadership
- Attitude/Citizenship

## **Scholarship Application Deadline**

**Applications will be accepted through May 1st, 2024.**

- *The winner will be notified within 1 week of the submission deadline.*
- *The award will be presented at the Smithville High School Senior Awards Ceremony.*

## **Application Process**

**Complete the following and send to: [kvwmemorialscholarship@gmail.com](mailto:kvwmemorialscholarship@gmail.com)**

- Application
- Short answer
- High School Transcript
- Letter of Recommendation

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Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Cell (    ) \_\_\_\_\_ Home (    ) \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or Guardian:

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First \_\_\_\_\_

Cell (    ) \_\_\_\_\_ Home (    ) \_\_\_\_\_

GPA \_\_\_\_\_

College You Plan to Attend \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate the degree/discipline you intend to pursue \_\_\_\_\_

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## Short Answer

1. Reflect on a specific instance in your life where you witnessed or experienced an act of kindness that left a lasting impact. How did it influence your perspective on compassion and inspire you to incorporate similar values into your own life?
2. Discuss a challenge or adversity you've faced and the role that kindness and compassion played in overcoming or navigating through it. How did these values contribute to your resilience and personal growth?
3. How do you plan to carry forward the legacy of kindness and compassion in your academic and professional pursuits? Discuss specific goals you have in mind.

## Provide

- A copy of your high school transcript
- A letter of recommendation from a teacher, coach or other adult mentor.

Submit all materials to:

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