

Josh Williams Memorial Scholarship Fund "MSP Love" Scholarship Program 2020



In August of 2012, MSP lost a vital part of our family with the unexpected passing of 34 year old Josh Williams.

He brought an excitement to work every day and a contagious laugh that still echoes the hallways day in and day out. Josh coined the saying, "MSP LOVE" that would not only be heard daily within the walls of the office, but many times on the diamond, as well. That same phrase would eventually inspire the MSP Love Program- Midwest Sports Productions' commitment to walking alongside our athletes, parents, coaches, and umpires by serving and giving back in the community.

Josh built relationships with everyone he met while showing each of us how to be a family and the importance of living life to the fullest each and every day. Today, MSP has one HUGE family: our staff, umpires, coaches, parents and players. As a family, we hope you'll join us in our commitment to carry out Josh's mission to teach and lead others in demonstrating that same 'MSP Love' he so effortlessly displayed every day.

This scholarship is just a small token of remembrance for Josh as we want his smile, laugh, and joy to live on forever. We hope that his impact will be honored each year as we award worthy recipients.

This scholarship program is funded by many different endeavors, including individual donations, sponsorships and the annual Josh Williams Memorial Golf Tournament. The 2020 Golf Tournament will be held Wednesday, May 6th at Dub's Dread Golf Course in Kansas City, KS. **The recipients of this year's MSP Love Scholarship will be recognized at the banquet directly following the tournament.**



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DEADLINE for scholarship applications is Monday, April 13, 2020. To be turned in by mail to address below or dropped by MSP office. Applications post marked after the 13th will not be accepted.

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ATTN: Josh Williams Memorial Scholarship Fund
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Shawnee, KS 66227

1. If any question does not apply to you, please put N/A in the space.
2. Type or print legibly. Illegible applications will be returned to you.
3. If you have any questions about the application, please call the MSP office at (913) 543-6116.

NOTE: Funds will be awarded to the student upon evidence of registration in an accredited College or University. Checks will then be made out and mailed directly to the College or University.

Purpose: To provide scholarships to deserving MSP baseball or fastpitch participants that are graduating high school seniors intending to pursue post-high school courses of study at either a college, university or other post-secondary educational institution.

Award Components: A minimum of a \$12,000 purse will be awarded to deserving, graduating seniors with each awarded amount being \$1,000 per recipient. The Josh Williams Memorial Scholarship Fund Committee will review all applications before selecting an outside committee to oversee and select the award winners.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a Kansas or Missouri resident.
2. Applicant must be a graduating high school senior in the year of the award.
3. Applicant must demonstrate "MSP LOVE" in the complete sense. Consistent with capacity and circumstances and/or significant improvement/success in scholarship and community involvement, backed by letters of recommendation.
4. Must have played in Midwest Sports Productions tournaments before/currently.

Application Materials:

Applicant must submit the following items:

1. Completed application form (please type or print legibly).
2. Letter of application addressed to the Scholarship Committee. The letter should contain a brief explanation of career goals and biographical (background) information (similar to that of a cover letter on a resume).
3. One (1) letter of recommendation from choice of high school teacher, administrator, or employer with significant knowledge of applicant's experience and involvement.
4. A recent high school transcript with cumulative grade point average and a class standing/rank.
5. Questionnaire: In typed form, please answer the questions on the following page as thoroughly as possible.

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Questionnaire: TYPE and submit answers to the following questions. Please be as thorough as possible.

1. Josh coined the phrase "MSP Love." This saying can encompass a wide-range of things; an act of kindness, a passion for someone or something, caring for others, etc. Describe a particular situation where you felt you displayed "MSP Love" in your life.
2. Describe your future education plans:
3. Please explain why you believe you should receive this scholarship and how it will make a difference in your plans to continue your education.
4. Josh loved playing organized sports growing up and excelled in baseball. This impacted Josh in a very positive manner. Please write how organized sports have impacted your life.

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STUDENT INFORMATION

Name: _____
 Last First MI

Permanent Mailing Address: _____
 Street (Apt. #)

_____ City State Zip Code

Telephone #: _____
 Home Cell Other

E-mail: _____
 (We will communicate with you via email regarding the status of your application, so please be sure to provide a valid email.)

Team Play(ed) for: _____

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

High School	Address	Date of Graduation (or period of attendance)

Please complete the following information on an additional sheet and submit with your application:

- List scholastic or academic honors including scholarships, fellowships, prizes, honor societies, etc.
- List and briefly describe three non-academic activities which have been important to you.
- List any other honors/awards that are not already listed.
- List all sport related accolades and accomplishments.
- List all community, civic, or church organizations that you have worked with during your high school. Detail any service projects that you may have worked on.

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RECOMMENDATIONS

One (1) letter of recommendation must be submitted with this application. Please list the information of the person submitting the recommendation below.

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Relationship to Applicant: _____

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the information I have provided on this Application Form and in any attached materials is true and complete.

Applicant Signature

Date

Return completed application and requisite materials by [April 13, 2020](#).
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