



**Kristin Nell Geurink**  
**April 25, 1975 – June 27, 1998**

Kristin Nell Geurink, daughter of Wayne and Judy, savored her life. She especially loved learning about the treasures around her and considered learning a joy.

Kristin enjoyed camping, gardening, running, skateboarding, tree climbing, and Frisbee golf. Her love of travel brought her to explore every state in the continental United States. Her enthusiasm for music prompted her to learn and play the classical guitar.

Kristin had the uncanny ability to draw both children and animals to her with her nurturing ways and love of life. At the time of her death in 1998, she was a teacher at the Montessori Educational School in Wausau, Wisconsin. Kristin knew that this school was special and longed to have this unique educational opportunity available to all children, regardless of means.

This scholarship fund was established following her death in 1998, to perpetuate her memory by making a Montessori education available to more children.



## KRISTEN NELL GEURINK MEMORIAL MONTESSORI SCHOLARSHIP

### PURPOSE

To provide scholarships, based on need, for pre-school aged children to attend a Montessori educational center in Wausau, Wisconsin. Through the investment of scholarships to deserving young people in her name, Kristin's legacy of a love of learning and adventure will be honored forever.

### APPLICATION PROCESS

Apply online by visiting our website at [cfoncw.org](http://cfoncw.org). Click on "Grants & Scholarships" / "Scholarships" / "Apply Online Now" to reach the online application portal and begin the registration and application process. If this is your first visit to the site, you will need to "Create an Account." If this is a return visit, enter your email address and password. Choose the appropriate application from the menu.

The parent or guardian will be asked to provide the following information:

- A short essay on why you want a Montessori education for your child.
- A statement of financial need, including special circumstances that affect your child's need.
- The scholarship is potentially renewable; however, the parent or guardian must reapply each year for the child to be considered for a scholarship.

**APPLICATION DEADLINE:** February 15

### CRITERIA FOR SELECTION

To be considered for this scholarship award, applicants must show evidence that:

- The child will benefit from a Montessori education at the preschool level
- Demonstrate a strong financial need

### PAYMENT OF THE SCHOLARSHIP

Scholarship funds will be sent by the Community Foundation directly to the school the child is attending. Proof of registration is to be provided to the Foundation either by the child's family or the school's administration for payment to be initiated.

### ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF THE SCHOLARSHIP

The Community Foundation and the donor family ask that the recipient family send a thank you letter upon announcement of the scholarship. The family especially enjoys a drawing or note from the child.

