

KYLE R. LONG SCHOLARSHIP

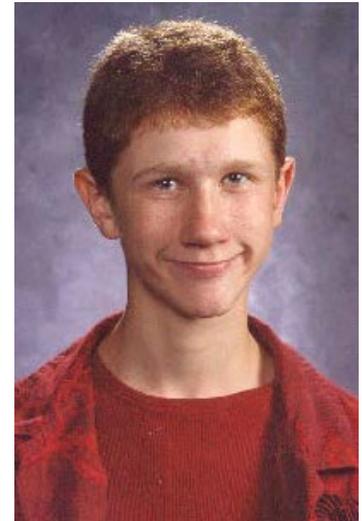


FUND BACKSTORY . . .

The Kyle R. Long Scholarship was established in 2004 by Russell and Sharon Long shortly after the passing of their beloved son, Kyle R. Long. This scholarship honors Kyle's memory by supporting graduating seniors in the Medford area who have special educational needs or learning disabilities, helping them pursue their educational and personal goals.

Born on September 1, 1987, Kyle spent his life in Medford, Wisconsin, where he was a cherished member of both his school and church communities. A member of Holy Rosary Catholic Church, Kyle participated in the CCD program and was known for his kindness, humor, and enthusiasm for life.

Kyle had a passion for the outdoors and loved downhill skiing, snowmobiling, and water sports. He was also a proud participant in Special Olympics, where he competed in bowling, track, and basketball - always giving his best and inspiring those around him with his determination and joyful spirit. At the time of his passing on July 3, 2004, Kyle had just completed his sophomore year at Medford Area Senior High School.



Through this scholarship, Russell and Sharon Long honor the remarkable young man Kyle was—one who lived with courage, compassion, and zest for life. Each year, the Kyle R. Long Scholarship is awarded to a student who embodies his spirit, perseverance, and love for life, ensuring that Kyle's light continues to shine brightly within the Medford community.

ELIGIBILITY

- Applicant must be a graduating high school senior
- Applicant must be from the Medford area (Gilman High School, Medford Area Senior High School, or Rib Lake High School)
- Applicant must meet at least one piece of criteria below:
 - Has had lived experience with a learning disability or special educational needs
 - Pursuing post-secondary education as a Direct Support Professional (providing necessary support and services to people with disabilities)
 - Eligible for subsidized student loans such as Stafford or Perkins

APPLICATIONS PRIORITIZED BY THE FOLLOWING LEVELS:

Level I:

- Graduating high school senior
- From the Medford area; including Medford, Rib Lake, and Gilman High Schools
- Has special educational needs or a learning disability
- Pursuing a degree in any field of study
- Financial need may be a factor in the selection process

Level II:

- Graduating high school senior
- From the Medford area; including Medford, Rib Lake, and Gilman High Schools
- Pursuing a career working with people with special educational needs or learning disabilities
- Financial need may be a factor in the selection process

Level III:

- A hardworking, graduating high school senior
- From the Medford area; including Medford, Rib Lake, and Gilman High Schools
- Pursuing a degree in any field of study
- Student MUST demonstrate financial need

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