

STEVE HANSEN EARTH STEWARD SCHOLARSHIP



FUND BACKSTORY . . .

"Live with intention. Walk to the edge. Listen hard. Practice wellness. Play with abandon. Laugh. Choose with no regret. Continue to learn. Appreciate your friends. Do what you love. Live as if this is all there is."

~Mary Anne Radmacher

Steve grew up an ordinary person who went on to do extraordinary things with his life. He was a teacher, friend, husband, son, mentor, advisor, motivator, confidant, and lifelong learner.

Steve lived his life by one of his favorite quotes, *"Be the change you wish to see in the world."* - Ghandi. He was a motivated doer whose favorite line was, "Tenacious engagement."

Steve was raised in Wisconsin and grew up learning to love the outdoors. This passion inspired him to major in biology, with minors in ecology, botany, environmental science, and outdoor education. He did not happen upon education in the usual way. He had various life experiences which all led him to his career as an educator. Steve was passionate about learning and shared his enthusiasm for not only his content areas, but also life, through lessons that extended far beyond the reaches of a classroom. He led by example, setting high expectations for himself and those around him. He motivated his students to be better people and to pursue their dreams. Steve was energetic, yet maintained a quiet, humble, and compassionate existence. Steve lived with great integrity in both his personal and professional life. He motivated all who knew him to live simply, love deeply, laugh often, learn forever, and explore with gusto.

Steve's life is proof that in order to have great impact in life, one need not be famous, nor make great sums of money. One must follow his/her calling, stay true to him/herself, hold and maintain a set of core beliefs and success will follow.



ELIGIBILITY

- Graduating high school senior
- Attending Wausau East High School
- Pursuing an education in any field of study at any accredited four-year college or university

CRITERIA

Applications will be evaluated based on:

- Dedicated to the environment
- Displaying a strong work ethic, a desire to do things right, and to make things better
- Demonstrating the characteristics of integrity, compassion, caring, empathy, and kindness
- GPA is not a factor in selection

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