



NICK CAMMARATA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP **SPONSORED BY NICK'S FIGHT TO BE HEALED FOUNDATION**

Nicholas (Nick) Cammarata was diagnosed with Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia (ALL) on July 4, 2008. After a very hard and courageous battle, Nick passed away on October 26, 2008. He was an eighth grade student at Gowana Middle School in the Shenendehowa School District. Nick would have graduated in June 2013.

Nick had a quirky sense of humor, easy manner with people, and loved to make everyone laugh. This ability to evoke laughter, even at his own expense, was an example of Nick's self-confidence and his love of life. Nick never cared what others thought of him. He lived life on his own track, which was often off the beaten path. Nick's charisma encompassed how he lived. If people couldn't be like him, they wanted to follow him. Nick led by being himself and by being sensitive to others.

Nick was compassionate and empathetic. He had this innate sense of knowing when a person was sad or needed support. Nick would lend a hand even if to give someone a hug. His peers remember the times he picked up their books after dropping them in the hall or protected them from being bullied. He believed in standing up for others and encouraged them to do the same.

An avid Lego builder, Nick was involved in robotics, enjoyed video games and any type of technology. Since he loved helping others, he planned to be a technology teacher. Two \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to two June 2017 graduates of Shenendehowa Central School district who are interested in furthering their education in a two or four-year institution and plan to use technology in a creative way in order to improve their performance both inside and outside the classroom. This is not exclusive to those going into technological fields, but also to those who will truly apply their interest in today's technologies as they progress forward in their academic and social lives.

Nick's spirit lives on in his legacy—**Nick's Fight to be Healed Foundation**. If you would like to learn more about the foundation's mission of conquering pediatric cancer, please visit their website at:

www.fighttobehealed.org

Applicants: Please keep this page for your information.



Nick Cammarata Memorial Scholarship 2017



Mission Statement

This scholarship will be awarded to two high school seniors who attend Shenendehowa Central School and will graduate in June 2017. The recipients of these scholarships must be interested in furthering their education in a two or four-year institution and plan to use technology in a creative way in order to improve their performance both inside and outside the classroom. This is not exclusive to those going into technological fields, but also to those who will truly apply their interest in today's technologies as they progress forward in their academic and social lives. Nick battled blood cancer and passed away when he was in eighth grade. He loved to swim, read, and build just about anything (especially Legos). Through this difficult time, he still had compassion for those helping him each day, along with his strength and determination to fight cancer. This scholarship is in memory of Nick and reflects his values and personality. By helping other children with cancer, his spirit lives on. He had these qualities even on the most difficult days of his "Fight to be Healed."

Scholarship Criteria

Scholarship recipients must meet the following criteria:

- Have an interest in using technology to improve the world around them;
- Reflect some of Nick's qualities: helping others even if he didn't know them; courage; compassion; strength; leadership; determination; never giving up as he knew "nothing is impossible;" a desire to give back to the community, especially those battling cancer;
- Be a senior from the 2017 graduating class of Shenendehowa Central School; and
- Attend a two or four-year school in Fall 2017.

How to Apply [Application with details are on next page]

1. Submit an essay of 500 words or less describing how you would creatively use technology to help others and/or improve the world around you to make it a better place, especially for future generations.
2. Submit two letters of recommendation reflecting your character; and
3. Complete the attached application and submit with essay and letters of recommendation.

Amount of Award [\$1,000 to two recipients]

There will be two \$1,000 scholarships awarded to seniors from the 2017 graduating class of Shenendehowa Central School.

Application Deadline

Submit application with appropriate attachments to Shenendehowa High School East Counseling Center by **Friday, March 17, 2017. No Exceptions.**

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Please **type or legibly print (blue or black ink)** information below on this application form.

DEADLINE: This application must be received by the Shenendehowa High School East Counseling Center by **Friday, March 17, 2017. No Exceptions!**

1. Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

2. Mailing Address: Street _____

City _____ Zip _____

3. Phone Numbers: Day _____ Evening _____

4. Email Address: _____

5. Date of Birth: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

6. Number of Years attending Shenendehowa Central School: _____

7. Two/Four year school you plan to attend in Fall 2017: _____

8. Technology/Electives taken during High School (list & separate with semi-colon):

9. Name, address and phone numbers (home and cell) of parents(s) or legal guardian(s)

10. The following items must be attached to this application in order for it to qualify for review by scholarship committee:

- ✓ **Personal Essay:** In 500 words or less, describe how you would make this world a better place through the use of technology and other innovative resources; that is, how to improve the community and world around you, especially for future generations.
- ✓ **Two Letters of Recommendation** (i.e. high school teacher, guidance counselor, organization advisor).
- ✓ **Completed Application Form (4 pages).**

STATEMENT OF ACCURACY

I hereby affirm that all of the information provided by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I hereby understand that if chosen as a scholarship winner, according to the scholarship policy, I must provide evidence of enrollment/registration at the post-secondary institution of my choice before the end of the first semester in order for scholarship funds to be awarded to that school.

Signature of Applicant _____

Date: _____



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- Please list all **high school related activities** in which you have participated at Shenendehowa.
- Indicate hours and responsibilities or leadership roles that you fulfilled in relation to such activities.
- Attach additional pages as needed.

Activity/Description	# Hours	Responsibilities/Leadership Roles



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- Please list all **community service/activities** in which you participated during your high school years.
- If you are a member of Nick's Round Table, please list each event in which you participated.
- Indicate hours and responsibilities or leadership roles that you fulfilled in relation to such activities and why you participated in each activity.
- You may include one-time events (i.e., *Relay For Life; Nick's 5K Run*) or long-term involvement in an organization or other community related services.
- Attach additional pages as needed.

Activity/Description	# Hours	Responsibilities/Leadership Roles	Why this Activity?



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- If there are any relevant, financial and/or extenuating circumstances that the scholarship committee should be informed about, please provide details below.