

# Ryan Hawn Memorial Scholarship

*Established in 2019*

\$1,000 Awarded in the Spring to a Graduating High School Senior

This scholarship is provided by **The Flying Pigs Foundation**, a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization, in memory of Ryan Michael Hawn. Christopher and Jennifer Hawn are co-founders of the foundation. In 2009, their son, Ryan, was diagnosed with Spinal Muscular Atrophy Type 1 when he was 3 months old. He lived to celebrate his 6 month birthday with his parents and family and then passed away in their arms early the next day on July 28th, 2009. His life was brief, but what he has left behind is a legacy of love and the desire in his parent's hearts to help other individuals with muscle diseases.

While Ryan was very young when he passed, the Hawn's remain inspired by the individuals and families that live with the challenges of living with a muscle disease every day. For this reason, we would like to support graduating seniors as they enter the next chapter of their lives and help them with the expenses that come with the pursuit of education beyond high-school. We plan to award the scholarship winner in May. All scholarship applications must be received by April 30th. Applications may be filled out electronically and submitted via email as below, or printed and mailed to the following address. Please put "Ryan Hawn Memorial Scholarship" in the subject of the email.

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## Eligibility Requirements:

1. Be a current Missouri resident and High-school Senior living with a diagnosed muscle disease. You must have one of the diagnoses on this link to qualify for this scholarship.  
<https://www.mda.org/disease/list>
2. Plan to attend an undergraduate program in a 2 or 4-year University/College or Technical College in the fall of the academic year following high-school graduation.
3. Essay submission - Please submit a 500-1000 word essay describing your aspirations for continuing education and what the scholarship money would be used for. Please include a picture and a short narrative about yourself as we would really like to get to know our applicants. You may want to describe how your muscle disease has impacted your life as well.
4. One letter of recommendation from a teacher or mentor.
5. Application - please fill out our application in its entirety and submit to the above address along with your essay and a letter of recommendation.
6. By applying to this scholarship, you agree to allow The Flying Pigs Foundation to share your name and picture on the foundation facebook page if awarded as the recipient.

# Application for the Ryan Hawn Memorial Scholarship

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

DOB \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Male/Female

Muscle Disease Diagnosis \_\_\_\_\_

Year Diagnosed \_\_\_\_\_

High-school Attended \_\_\_\_\_ GPA \_\_\_\_\_

Hobbies/Extracurricular Activities \_\_\_\_\_

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Personal Strengths \_\_\_\_\_

Areas of Interest/Study \_\_\_\_\_

Elected Major or Technical Trade \_\_\_\_\_

University or Technical School to attend in the Fall \_\_\_\_\_

