



Folsom Athletic Association High School Senior Scholarship

Thank you for applying to be a candidate for the
Folsom Athletic Association Senior Scholarship Program

The Folsom Athletic Association (FAA) is an all-volunteer non-profit group dedicated to community youth sports. This is accomplished through teamwork with other organizations, fundraising, fundraising events, Youth Assistance, and Scholarships. Our guiding principle is "Never in our town will any youth be prevented from participating in recreational sports due to financial constraints."

Awards: This year, we are proud to offer a number of scholarships to graduating seniors who apply, interview, and qualify. Scholarships will be awarded between the amounts of \$1,000 and \$1,500.

Benefactors of this year's scholarships are as follows. We highly encourage you to review the following about each benefactor.

Lois B. Young Scholarship

Race M. Salazar Memorial Scholarship

Ernie Sheldon Memorial Scholarship

Chuck Harrison "PACE" Scholarship

Scholarship Requirements:

1. Must be a graduating senior from Folsom High School or Vista del Lago High School.
2. Must have a minimum 3.0 GPA for four years of high school.
3. Must have been involved in sports and extracurricular activities, emphasizing service to others and the community. Qualifying sports: all high school level sports, cheer, private club (baseball, volleyball, basketball, swim, etc.), equestrian, martial arts, mountain biking, extreme sports, snow, ice skating, hunting, angling, or archery.
4. Must be planning to attend a two-year junior college, four-year university, military, law enforcement, fire academy, trade, or technical school.

Application Procedure:

1. Complete the application via Google Forms.
2. Include an unofficial transcript.
3. Include two letters of recommendation.

Selection: Scholarships are based on the application and interview process. **Interviews will be held the week of April 15.** The career center counseling office will contact you to schedule an interview. Selected recipients are asked to provide a record of acceptance or class schedule to the college of their choice after receiving the scholarship award.

Application Deadline: The deadline to submit your application is Friday, April 5, at 5 p.m.
Only complete applications will be accepted.



Scholarship Benefactors

Visit the Folsom Athletic Association website to learn about the association and its benefactors.

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Lois B. Young was an early Folsom Athletic Association board member who guided the association financially using her professional skills as a certified public accountant. In recognition of her dedicated community service, FAA provides scholarships to graduating senior athletes at Folsom High School, Folsom Lake High School, and Vista del Lago High School.

Ernie Sheldon was a longtime Folsom resident, former City of Folsom Councilmember, Vice Mayor, and Folsom Athletic Association Executive Director. Ernie built a legacy in Folsom with every person he met and every project he was involved in. After a lengthy illness, Ernie passed away in November 2020. The Ernie Sheldon Legacy Fund was created for Ernie's devotion to the city. The fantastic parks, trails, and sports facilities we enjoy today would not be here without Ernie's efforts. In honor of Ernie, the Ernie Sheldon Memorial Scholarship was created for graduating seniors of Folsom High School and Vista del Lago High School. The **Ernie Sheldon Spirit Award** is also given to graduating seniors based on dedication to their high school spirit, academic studies, community service, and personal perseverance.

Race M. Salazar grew up playing sports, the violin, and guitar in Folsom. Race graduated from Folsom High School and continued his education at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. At 18, Race suffered a life-ending heart arrhythmia in his sleep. The Salazar Family and friends have made it their mission to help educate parents, teachers, coaches, students, and the community about Long QT Syndrome (LQTS), one of four types of Sudden Arrhythmia Death Syndrome (SADS). Race's life continues to have profound meaning and is honored through the Race M. Salazar Memorial Scholarship.

Chuck Harrison was a familiar face in Folsom, having served the community for the Folsom Parks and Recreation Department for 22 years. Chuck worked with numerous civic groups and organizations, helping to build facilities and programs that truly enriched the lives of thousands of people. A tragic accident in 2017 cut Chuck's life short. Chuck's leadership skills offered lifelong learning opportunities at the Steve Miklos Folsom Aquatic Center, Andy Morin Folsom Sports Complex, and the Folsom Community Center. He worked to honor our country's military through the Veterans Parade, was involved with youth scholarships, and worked endlessly with the STARS after-school program in partnership with the Folsom Athletic Association. The Chuck Harrison "Keeping the PACE" Memorial Scholarship was established in his spirit.



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Summer Kempton passed away on February 4, 2007. While the story is very tragic, family and friends have established a memorial fund in her honor. This scholarship is based on promoting a positive message to our youth athletes about making smart life choices. It is intended to provide an opportunity for recipients to continue their dreams, to make the right personal choices by recognizing what life has to offer, and to focus on taking care of themselves and others.

Ken Grossfeld passed away at age 53 in 2011. Ken loved Folsom and wanted to continue to have a positive impact on Folsom's community. His family helped establish this scholarship in Ken's honor before his passing. Ken and his wife, Jennifer, strongly believed in supporting and encouraging young people to find positive outlets in their lives, be it sports, music, art, or community service, while fully engaged and excelling in their academic endeavors. Ken was an involved father of three boys, an active member in the Folsom community, a multi-sport coach, former Folsom American Little League President, and Folsom Park Commissioner and Chairman with a deep passion for little league baseball.