**The Martin K. Grantz Memorial Scholarship**

The Martin K. Grantz Memorial Scholarship Fund honors the legacy of Marty Grantz. Marty Grantz grew up in Colorado Springs, graduated from Wasson High School and UCCS. He worked as a sports reporter for the Gazette, the City of Colorado Springs, and Challenger Learning Center. Marty was the Official Scorer for the Colorado Springs Sky Sox and the Rocky Mountain Vibes. Marty exemplified selflessness both in his work and personal life. He was a dedicated coach and father. Marty valued integrity, positive attitudes, and effort. Despite having Type 1 diabetes for over fifty years, he always showed up and didn’t let this disease control his choices, lifestyle, or mindset. Marty had an impact on everyone he met. His most proud moments were not his personal accomplishments but the accomplishments of others. He was always willing to lend a helping hand, which is what this scholarship stands for.

The scholarship will be awarded to a student who demonstrates servant leadership, academic achievement, and the ability to overcome challenges.

The Martin K. Grantz Memorial Scholarship will fund two scholarships in the amount of $1800 for the 2023-2024 school year. If we do not receive enough applications, one student will be awarded a scholarship in the amount of $3500 for the 2023-2024 school year.

To be eligible for the Martin K. Grantz Memorial Scholarship:

* The applicant must be graduating from a Colorado Springs high school in 2023.
* The applicant will provide at least one letter of reference from a teacher, counselor, or employer.
* The applicant must have a GPA of at least 3.0.
* The applicant will provide evidence of participation in community service or extra-curricular activities.
* An original essay addressing the following prompt: Tell us about yourself, future goals and what servant leadership means to you. Also include examples of how you’ve overcome obstacles/challenges in your life.

Applications must be received on or before **April 25, 2023**. A complete application consists of the following.

1. **A completed application. You may make a copy and edit electronically or print a hard copy and fill it out.**
2. **An original essay answering the essay prompt. Please attach your essay to your application!**
3. **At least one letter of reference from a teacher, counselor, or employer. Send them the recommendation form and they can save a copy to fill out electronically or they can also print a hard copy and mail it or send it via e-mail.**

Completed applications may be sent via email to [Danette.Grantz@d11.org](mailto:Danette.Grantz@d11.org)

Or mailed to:

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