



\$1,000 Todd Gutschow Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship is established by the Family of Todd Gutschow to recognize Poway High School students who are passionate about their area of study and the community.

About Todd Gutschow – Todd grew up in rural Wisconsin and through hard work, went on to graduate from Harvard cum laude with a degree in Physics. After settling in San Diego, Todd embarked on an entrepreneurial venture in software technology. HNC Software, an early pioneer of neural networks, was founded as a two-man garage start up but would eventually grow to over 1200 employees. After being acquired by Fair Isaac in 2002, Todd's passion shifted to the universal right to a quality education. He served on the boards of many nonprofit organizations such as Boys and Girls Club, Classroom of the Future, AVID and the School of Leadership and Education Sciences at USD. Todd was also a PUSD school board member for 8 years. Todd wrestled throughout high school and college and his love of the sport followed him to Poway. He was instrumental in the formation of the Poway Wrestling Foundation which developed a state of the art wrestling facility on the Poway High campus. He also coached Slammers and middle school wrestling as well as being a PWF board member and webmaster of the Poway wrestling website. Todd lost his battle with cancer on May 31, 2017 and this memorial scholarship was set up to continue his strong commitment to education and community.

Applicant Qualifications

1. A graduating senior from Poway High School with a minimum GPA of 3.0 through 2nd trimester of this academic year.
2. Science, Technology, Engineering or Math Major (STEM)
3. Proof of acceptance to an accredited college, university or trade school.

Application Requirements

1. Typewritten completed application.
2. A copy of your high school transcript.
3. A letter of recommendation from a member of the Poway High School faculty or counseling staff.
4. A letter of recommendation from an adult or non- family member, who has had regular contact with you such as an employer, coach, pastor, or organization leader.
5. Selected finalists will be interviewed individually.

Application must be submitted to jbrown@powayusd.com by April 20.

Full Name _____ Date of Birth _____ Sex: M or F

Current Address _____

Phone _____ Email Address _____

Name of school you plan to attend and selected major. _____

Have you been accepted? Yes/No (If No Please Explain) _____

Please list employment and internships held during high school and your position.

Please list extra-curricular activities; Sports, Clubs, Leadership Roles, Honors and Awards.

Please list any volunteer services or experience.

Essay – Each answer is to be 150-200 words emailed in a separate document to jbrown@powayusd.com

- 1. What makes you passionate about your field of study?**
- 2. How do you plan to use your education and passion to give back to the community?**

The above statements are correct and true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

Should you have any questions, please contact us at:
scholarship@PowayHighAlumni.org

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