The Brandon Michael Austin Scholarship

Brandon Michael Austin was a student in both the Exeter/West Greenwich school district, as well as the South Kingstown school district. Unfortunately, he was killed in a tragic accident at the age of thirteen. He had a passion for anything in the automotive field, as well as a deep love for all animals. Brandon was an extremely intelligent young man, however, both he and his family felt that the true measure of a person lies in what they give to other living things around them. Two scholarship amounts are being offered beginning 2018 (the year he would have graduated) in Brandon’s memory that are not based on grade point averages. Awards will be made in recognition of “giving back” to one’s community.

**Eligibility:** A graduating senior from Exeter/West Greenwich High School or South Kingstown High School demonstrating a record of non court-ordered community service.

**Value:** $1,109 to be awarded to a student attending a four-year college to pursue studies relating to animal science, wildlife rehabilitation, or the wellness and treatment of any kind of animal/marine life.

$911 to be awarded to a student attending a secondary or trade school in any automotive field.

**Criteria:** Within their four years of high school, applicants must complete a total of 200 hours of voluntary community service. Preference will be given to students performing community service at any animal shelter, or wildlife rehabilitation facility. Hours of service must be documented, signed, and submitted along with the contact information for the coordinator at the facility, or overseer of the service performed.

A minimum two page essay, (double-spaced using the 12 font) describing your future goals, what impact performing community service has had on your life, as well as any other information you wish to include about yourself or your family.

A letter of recommendation from a non-related adult such as a teacher, counselor, clergy member, or community leader.

Copy of acceptance letter from the institution applicant has chosen to attend.

Completed application.

Please DO NOT submit a high school transcript, as no GPA is required.
The Brandon Michael Austin Scholarship Application

Name: ______________________________ Age: _______________ Male: ( ) Female: ( )

Address: __________________________________________________________________________

City: ___________________________ State: ___________ Zip Code: ___________

Telephone: ______________________ Email: __________________________________________________________________________________

High School: ______________________________________________________________________

High School Address: ______________________________________________________________________

How did you hear about this scholarship?: ____________________________________________

Attached to this application, please be sure to include:

• Proof of 200 hours of community service (including contact information of coordinator).
• Your two (or more) page essay.
• A letter of recommendation.
  • Copy of acceptance letter.
• Please sign below, along with a parent/guardian (if under the age of 18)

Disclaimer: The Brandon Michael Austin Memorial Fund is a non-profit organization. By signing this form, you agree and give your permission that if you are an award recipient your name, as well as picture, may be published, announced, and used in any and all media outlets including (but not limited to) the newspaper, radio, television, internet, and The Brandon Michael Austin Memorial Fund webpage.

Applicant’s signature: __________________________ Date: ________________

Parent’s signature: __________________________ Date: ________________

Please return completed application along with ALL necessary documents attached to:

The Brandon Michael Austin Scholarship Award

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Wakefield, RI 02879