



The Community Foundation
of Western North Carolina

MIKE DAVIS TEAM SPIRIT AWARD

Fact Sheet

DESCRIPTION

The Mike Davis Team Spirit Award was established by Mike's family and friends as a loving tribute to his spirit and to his memory. A graduate of Freedom High School, Mike was on the varsity basketball team in his senior year, and supported his teammates during games as well as practice. He loved basketball and he loved the unselfish spirit of athletics. His wholesome attitude and enthusiasm were an inspiration to the team and are the reason that this scholarship award was created.

ELIGIBILITY

One (1) one-time \$500 scholarship will be available this year for one captain of a Freedom High School boys or girls basketball team.

The Community Foundation scholarships will be awarded without regard to age, race, national origin, ethnicity, gender, disability, sexual orientation, political affiliation, religious belief, or any other characteristic protected by law.

SELECTION CRITERIA

- Team captain in current year;
- Graduating senior;
- Strong moral character;
- Exemplary sportsmanship;
- Puts team before self;
- Enthusiastic participation at practice and support at basketball games;
- Plans attendance at an accredited 4-year college/university or a 2-year community college or vocational school.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

To apply, students must see the guidance counselor or basketball coach at Freedom High School for an application. The completed application must be returned to the high school guidance department on or before the stated deadline.

ESSAY OR EQUIVALENT

An essay is not required for this scholarship.

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SELECTION PROCESS

The coaches of the teams are asked to nominate one (1) recipient for this award, and work with the school counselor to assure that a nomination form and a school scholarship application are forwarded to The Community Foundation of Western North Carolina for consideration. The recipient will be announced in May pending approval by The Community Foundation's Board of Directors.

PAYMENT OF AWARDS

Payment of scholarship awards will be made directly to the school at the beginning of the freshman year.

The recipient will receive a payment designation form from the Foundation in the summer. Payments will be issued after the Foundation receives the completed form, but no earlier than the end of July. Awards are for the full academic year, and as such are split between the fall and spring terms.

Students must notify The Community Foundation of the receipt of any other educational grants or scholarship assistance as soon as the student receives notification of those awards.

The scholarship recipient must provide The Community Foundation with an official transcript from the school she attended at the end of the school year for which a scholarship is received. An official transcript is one obtained from the school (not online) which bears an official school seal.

**CONTACT THE FREEDOM HIGH SCHOOL
GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT OR BASKETBALL COACH
FOR AN APPLICATION,
OR FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

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