

Jan Gorecki Memorial Scholarship

Purpose: To memorialize the life of Jan Gorecki by recognizing outstanding Minden High School students active in the school's Spanish language program with a scholarship to further their education.

Overview: The Jan Gorecki Memorial Scholarship was established by the parents of Jan Gorecki in December, 2005. The family wishes to award a \$200 scholarship each year for three years with the first scholarship being awarded in May, 2006, to a graduating senior from Minden High School. The scholarship may or may not be continued after a three-year period.

Scholarship Criteria:

1. The Jan Gorecki Memorial Scholarship will be awarded to a Minden High School senior who plans to enroll in a four-year college or university in the fall term immediately following their graduation.
2. First priority in awarding the scholarship will be given to a student planning to pursue a career in which the Spanish language is a primary requirement for the career. However, the recipient does not have to pursue a Spanish language-related major to be awarded the scholarship.
3. The recipient must be a student in good standing at MHS.
4. The recipient must be enrolled in Spanish language classes at MHS during their senior year of high school.
5. Special consideration will be given to students who participate in activities surrounding the Spanish language curriculum at MHS.
6. Interested students will complete the school's standard scholarship application to become eligible for the scholarship. Scholarship applications will be available around February 1 each year.
7. Selection of the scholarship recipient will also include consideration of the student's overall grade point average, class rank, college entrance exam scores, moral character, leadership, school involvement, and community service.
8. Selection of the scholarship winner will be made by the Spanish language instructor at MHS, the school's principal or superintendent, and school counselor.
9. The scholarship will be presented at the school's annual Honors Night program with a certificate being presented to the winner.
10. Scholarship proceeds will be paid directly to the recipient's choice of college or university to be used for tuition, room and board, books or other college-related expenses.
11. Provisions of this scholarship may be changed or altered by members of the Gorecki family.
12. The scholarship will be administered by the MHS counselor and money will be in the MHS Scholarship Fund without any charge for administration of the scholarship fund.
13. Funds may be added to this scholarship at any time to continue the scholarship in future years.

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- ❖ Must be in a Spanish language class your senior year.
- ❖ Must be planning to attend a 4-year college or university.
- ❖ Preference will be given to a student pursuing a career in which the Spanish language is a primary requirement for the career; however, you do not have to pursue a Spanish language-related major to receive the award.

Name _____

College planning to attend _____

Major _____

Attach a typed, one-page explanation on how you plan to further your study of the Spanish language in college and how you will use it in your career upon graduation from college. Also, tell about any Spanish-related experiences you have had outside the classroom (i.e. field trips, summer trips, etc.).

Return the completed application to the Guidance Office by **April 5th**.