

Gene Whealy Memorial Track Scholarship

Gene Whealy was a teacher and coach at Norfolk High School during the 1970s. The subjects he taught were Biology and Physiology. He was the head track coach and he coached defense for football. He also coached baseball in the summers. His passion for sports continued after he left coaching to manage and become part owner of NEN Sports and Nebraska Sports. After several years in the sporting goods business he went to work for Abbott Laboratories as a pharmaceutical representative. Prior to his death in 2016, Gene spent several years battling back issues that finally affected all of his faculties.

Gene's family would like to honor his life by having him be remembered for his loyalty and love that he had for his family. The impact that he had on the lives of those around him leaves a lasting memory of hard work and dedication to meticulous detail. He always strived for excellence in all that he did. His wish was to instill those values into his children and grandchildren and to all of the students that he was so blessed to teach and coach.

Must be used for remission of tuition, fees, room & board, books, and/or equipment related to the student's area of study. This scholarship will be awarded upon notification of acceptance prior to the beginning of the first semester of the academic year.

Selection Criteria:

1. Applicants must have participated in high school track as a junior and senior.
2. Applicants must be attending a 2 or 4 year college.
3. Applicants must have exhibited a willingness and positive attitude to do what teachers and coaches require.
4. Applicants must exhibit high character and morals, and have compassion and kindness for others. They must exemplify "others and team before self"/
5. Applicants must provide a letter of recommendation from a teacher they have had in the last 2 years.
6. Applicants must provide a letter of recommendation from their head track coach.
7. Selection will be made by the NPSF Scholarship Committee.