

Christopher Joy Memorial Scholarship

About Chris and his Legacy: Chris was a middle school guidance counselor at Penndale Middle School from 2005 until his passing in February of 2021. He was also the Middle School Counseling Department Chair and earned the Superintendent's Honor Roll award in 2020.

Chris had a passion for coaching. He coached middle school basketball, baseball, and track. For Springfield Township, where Chris lived, he coached youth soccer and baseball.

Chris was a music enthusiast who loved live performances, most especially from the Dave Matthews Band. He was also an avid fan of all Philadelphia sports teams, both professional and collegiate.

Chris was the embodiment of love and it's fitting that he will always be remembered on Valentine's Day. He was a hugger and whether you wanted one or not, he would give you a huge bear hug, even if he just met you. He also loved to make people laugh and had an awesome sense of humor.

Amount of Scholarship: \$1,000

Number of Available Scholarships: Varies each year but goal is 5-7

Submission Requirements:

1. Must have attended Penndale Middle School
2. Complete the attached application
3. Attach a short essay answering the following 2 questions:
 - a. How do you best exemplify the characteristics of Chris Joy (love of music, sports, helping others plus a sense of humor).
 - b. Provide an example of a challenge in your life that you have (or tried to) overcome
4. Provide at least one letter of recommendation

(An interview may be requested of the applicant)

Completed applications must be sent to Mrs. Joanne Borchers at borchjm@npenn.org by **Friday, April 14, 2023.**

Application for the Christopher Joy Memorial Scholarship

Full Name: _____

Address: _____

Parents/Guardians Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Year(s) that you attend Penndale Middle School (i.e., 2017-2019)?

What are your plans past high school (college, trade school, work, etc.)?

Field of study and why?

Are you applying for any additional scholarships and, if so, which ones?

Answer two short essay questions:

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2. Provide an example of a challenge in your life that you have (or tied to) overcome