

## **Tony Vigna Memorial Scholarship Award - \$1,000**

**2023**

### **Description of Award:**

Tony Vigna graduated from Gilroy High School in 1954, where he was a Hall of Fame athlete in basketball. He was selected All-Central Coast Athletic League, USA Team, and Northern California Team during his high school years. He attended Stanford University on an athletic scholarship for basketball, where he earned a bachelor's and master's degree in History. After moving to Santa Barbara, Tony taught high school history at San Marcos High School for 43 years and coached boys and girls basketball and tennis at both San Marcos High School and Bishop Diego High School.

A \$1,000 scholarship award will be presented to one recipient from Gilroy High School (GHS) and will be selected for their achievements in community service, academics, and athletics, with special consideration in basketball. The recipient will be among the most deserving as determined by the evaluation of the "Award Criteria."

### **Award Criteria**

- The student must be a graduating GHS senior.
- The student must be accepted to a two or four-year college or university.
- The student must have a positive attitude towards education and a minimum 3.0 GPA.
- The student must exhibit strong characteristics in dedication to community service.
- Emphasis will be given to a student who has exhibited commitment in athletics, with special consideration in basketball.

#### **Notes:**

- The recipient will be chosen first based on their community service or impact to other people's lives, secondly based on a commitment to athletics, and finally, overall GPA is only considered as a tie-breaker.
- The student's race, gender, religion, or family economic status is not a consideration.

### **Method of Selection:**

- The GUSD Common Application Form must be used. The "Financial Information" of the application does not need to be completed.
- The application is due by **Friday, March 3, 2023**. The Award Criteria will be evaluated and determined by the Tony Vigna Memorial Scholarship Award Committee, a volunteer committee consisting of family and coaches.
- Scholarship must be claimed by December 15, 2023, or be forfeited.

### **Applicants must submit the following documents:**

1. Completed GUSD Common Scholarship Application.
2. Three letters of recommendation: two letters from a staff member-teacher, ACs, Aps, and one letter from a community service supervisor (non-school staff member nor relative).
3. A copy of the applicant's unofficial high school transcript.

Email any questions to [director@gilroyfoundation.org](mailto:director@gilroyfoundation.org)

#### **Donors**

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