Landen Michael Montanio FFA Scholarship Application

The Landen Michael Montanio FFA Scholarship Fund was established to benefit a qualifying Bishop Neumann senior student with participation in the FFA program, a \$2,000 tuition assistance scholarship deposited directly to the college institution.

Student Name:	Telephone:
Address:	
Intended School	Area of Study:
Intended School: High School GPA (On a 4.0 Scale):	
List Academic and Extracurricular clubs, organ	nizations, and activities
Define what leadership means to you and list	Community Involvement
List and explain any extraordinary expenses o	r special circumstances involving your personal financial
situation that should be considered	
Take a moment to read Landen's poem, the "	legacy he left behind", and explain what it means to you
and what affect it had on you	
	from persons unrelated to you who will attest to your
character, motivation, integrity and work ethic.	

Completed Application form is due in Neumann Guidance office no later than April 1.

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Landen Montanio was born February 24th, 2002 in Omaha, Nebraska to Elizabeth Pavlik and Michael Montanio. Landen grew up in Yutan, Nebraska and attended grade school at St. Wenceslaus and continued to high school at Bishop Neumann Catholic High School.

From a very early age, he was a wonderful and charismatic boy who always looked up to those around him. Landen loved working in the yard with his mom and working side by side with his dad in his welding shop. Growing up he was always seen with his two cousins, McKinley and Chisum Wilson, who treated him like he was their own sibling. Together, the "three musketeers" were involved in 4H showing horses, cattle, and pigs. They spent many great memories together; whether it was blasting the radio and singing Eric Church songs on their way to horse practice or ending a day by throwing Landen into the livestock tank. He also loved playing online video games with his many friends and, best friend, Austen Hanel late at night.

In high school, Landen was involved in wrestling, FFA, FBLA, trap shooting, and he was a part of the National Honor Society. He graduated from Bishop Neumann in May 2020 and attended the University of Nebraska-Omaha majoring in construction engineering and finished his first year of college. Landen had plans to switch his major to construction management as he planned to join his father's business and eventually planned to start his own company, LMM Design. Landen was already making custom strut bars for classic vehicles, including his own

pride and joy, his '02 Trans Am WS6.

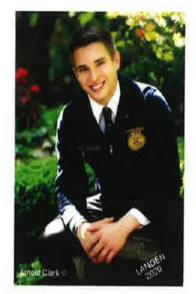
Landen also loved to travel. He loved to go on weekend getaways with his dad to the mountains in Colorado to go snowboarding. They would spend hours talking and enjoying their time together. Landen cherished his spring break getaways with his mom to Disney World where they would spend all week hopping from park to park and riding Landen's favorite ride "Splash Mountain". He was also able to explore other parts of the world with his high school classmates when he traveled to London and Scotland in the summer of 2019.

Landen had many friends who loved and cherished him for who he was as a person. There were many memories of his big GMC pickup or his Trans Am that were full of laughter, smiles, and times that will be cherished forever. He also had a wonderful and loving relationship with his best friend and girlfriend, Jasmine Sharpe, with whom he loved deeply.

As a tribute to Landen, a scholarship fund was established to benefit a qualifying Bishop Neumann student participating in the FFA program, \$2,000 for college tuition assistance each year. On Monday, July 25, 2016, 10:47 PM, Landen Montanio wrote the following poem at age 14.

Sometimes we must have the courage to do things others will not and to go places others will not There are things in this world

Things we should leave alone Things we should find There are things we cannot fathom There are legends and there are myths They may be true, they may not be But it's what we choose to believe It's what we choose to love It's what we choose to make peace with It's what we choose to learn It's what we choose to find out It's what we choose to leave alone There are things we do not understand So we choose to not believe But it is your choice to believe or not to believe Don't let somebody change your thoughts It's what you believe that makes you The Lord said " we were created in his image" Not the same, we are all unique We all have abilities We all have strengths We all have weaknesses But in life, no matter what It will always knock you down It's whether you choose to get up or to stay on the ground In life it's what we want to believe What we want to do Whether we choose to get up or to stay down You make your life what you want You believe what you want Believe in the myths and the legends Leave what you want to leave alone Find what you want to find Make life what you want it to be If you want to make a change then make it Life is not easy nor will it ever be But we must choose what we want it to be -Landen Michael Montanio



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