

Josh Nelson Memorial Fund

The Josh Nelson Memorial Fund was established by Eric and Deanna Nelson to honor their son Josh. The fund promotes the development of racquetball players by assisting with costs associated with the sport.

Every year in the spring, the Sprague Racquetball team hosts a community wide racquetball tournament. All funds raised go directly to support the Josh Nelson Memorial Fund.



Josh Nelson Memorial Scholarship

The Josh Nelson Memorial Scholarship honors the memory of Josh Nelson. Josh played two seasons of racquetball on the Sprague Racquetball team, and in that short time he became a team leader and a family member. Josh was home schooled and actively involved in his church and community. His quick smile, contagious humor and generous spirit helped create strong bonds on the team. Josh's dedication to the sport resulted in his selection as Rookie of the Year in 2016, and earned him both individual and doubles titles at both the State and National level in 2017.

In honor of Josh, this scholarship will be used to further the academic goals of a Sprague Racquetball Team player.

Eligibility

- Graduating students attending either Sprague High School, or a home school program within the Sprague boundary, obtaining a diploma or GED by August 1, 2021; or students residing within the Sprague boundary who obtain a GED by August 1, 2021;
- Active participants with the Sprague Racquetball Team (Practiced with team fall of 2020);
- Participants who have played in at least one sanctioned Oregon High School Racquetball League match during their time as a member of the Sprague Racquetball Team; and
- During the scholarship period, any applicant who is awarded a scholarship must be enrolled in a full-time program, as prescribed by the college, university, junior college, vocational/technical school, or other eligible educational institution in which the applicant is enrolled.

Scholarship Application Deadline

- Applications are due **February 28, 2021**. Late applications will not be accepted.

2021 Application

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- A completed application, with four essay answers (Attached, Items #1-4 and #6-7, and verification/signature page);
- Two letters of recommendation (Item #5);
- A high school transcript, GED diploma, or homeschooling testing results (10th-grade requirement) (Item #6); and
- A Coach Input Sheet (CIS), which the Committee will submit to the Coaches for completion (Item #8).

Additional Information

- The Josh Nelson Memorial Scholarship Committee was created by the Josh Nelson Memorial Foundation, which created the scholarship fund and awards scholarship grants. The Committee can be contacted at Scholarship@SpragueRball.com