



SGT Justin D Norton Memorial Scholarship

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Sgt Justin Dean Norton, 21, was born in Olympia Washington on October 30, 1984. He grew up in Rainier, Washington and graduated with honors from Rainier High School in 2003.

Justin fulfilled his dream of joining the Army in April 2003 as a 19D, Cavalry Scout. He attended Basic and Advanced Training at Ft Knox, Kentucky. He was then assigned to the Alpha Troop "Apaches", 1-10 Cavalry, 4th Infantry Division out of Fort Hood, Texas. Justin was quickly promoted to SGT because of the high standards of excellence and leadership abilities he possessed.

He deployed to Iraq in November 2005. Sgt Justin Norton was tragically killed in action by an Improvised Explosive Device while on patrol in Baghdad, Iraq on June 24, 2006.

Upon the death of our Hero, a scholarship fund was set up in his name, this was one of his requests if he did not return from Iraq.

The ***SGT Justin Norton Memorial Scholarship Fund*** application contains a variety of questions to help the scholarship selection committee decide which Yelm High School Seniors will qualify for the scholarship. This one-time scholarship is valid for up to one year after the date of graduation and will be paid directly to the institution you choose to attend.

To Apply: Please complete the attached application and return it to

**Ms Nicole Mathis
Yelm High School Career Center**

Applications are due by 3pm on May 1, 2026. ***Late applications will not be accepted.***

SGT Justin D Norton Memorial Scholarship Application (YHS)

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Personal Information:

Name (First, Middle, Last)

Mailing Address

Home, Cell or Alternate Number

Email Address (Must be valid for at least two years)

Future College/University/etc. (1st Choice)

Planned Course of Study/Major

Future College/University/etc. (2nd Choice)

Planned Course of Study/Major

Please attach a separate sheet, with your name on it, for your response to the following:

- 1) Number of community service hours completed during your high school career. *50 hours minimum*. Please list organization name, hours donated, type of work performed.
- 2) Please list the school you plan to attend and describe the subject area that you plan to study and your future career plans. *200 word maximum*.
- 3) Please describe your financial need and how receiving a SGT Justin Norton scholarship would benefit you. *500 word maximum*.
- 4) Please describe your leadership, achievements, work experience, and other experiences and how they have influenced your life and future plans. *500 word maximum*.
- 5) Letter of recommendation
- 6) Official high school transcripts.

Student Signature

Date

**** Please be sure to complete ALL sections. Incomplete applications will not be considered.**