

Rob Koranda Scholarship
Letter of Recommendation from a Sibling, Friend, or Teammate

*Nominee: Please give this form and a copy of your resume to the person writing this letter. The Letter of Recommendation should be **emailed** to Susan Koranda. Nominees will be notified when recommendations have been received.*

Rob Koranda was a 1998 graduate of Naperville North High School who died on June 29, 2003 in the tragic Lincoln Park porch collapse. After graduating from Naperville North, he went on to graduate from Princeton University in 2002. At the time of his death, Rob was a financial analyst with LaSalle Bank and mentor volunteer for inner-city students studying for their SAT exams. At NNHS, Rob was a captain of the football team and, to him, his most honored award was receiving MVP by his teammates. Prior to his senior year, Rob was a three sport athlete. He was involved in Youth and Government and was President of the NNHS Investment Club. He was a student who embodied a great spirit and pride for NNHS, his friends, family, and community. During Rob's four years in high school, he mentored many other students and, often unbeknownst to him, many students found a spirit in Rob that ignited their own love for NNHS and setting higher personal standards. He was a student that was known and respected by other students across the inter-school cultural environment.

In honor of Rob, his family and friends have created the Rob Koranda Scholarship Award at Naperville North High School. Award recipients will, like Rob, have an exuberant spirit towards success in their academics, athletics, friendships, and community. Students nominated for the Award have participated for four years on a NNHS IHSA school sponsored athletic team as an active player, and have a grade point average of 3.5 or above. The scholarship award is a \$5,000 scholarship each year for four out of five years of college. The recipient must uphold a college G.P.A. of a 3.0 or above, carry a full course load, and graduate from college within five years. Each year a senior female and male student is selected.

Your personal recommendation and affirmation of this student is a very important aspect of the selection process. The nomination of a student for this prestigious award shows the exemplary character and respect this student has within the school community. The selection committee thanks you and compliments you for your personal relationship with this nominee.

Recommendation Information: Due no later than March 11, 2016.

Please furnish your name, address, **email**, and relationship to student. We ask that you share a **specific personal experience in which the nominee has made a positive difference** in your life or in the life of friends, volunteer work, school athletics, and/or academics. **Please email your recommendation to Susan@koranda.com**. Should you have any questions, please contact Sue Koranda @ susan@koranda.com.

May we share your written recommendation with this student: yes ___ no ___

The Rob Koranda Scholarship Foundation Selection Committee