

Chad R. Nold Family Scholarship Fund



Purpose: This fund was established in memory of Chad Nold by his family to provide academic scholarships to students pursuing a Business degree at Missouri Western State University.

Criteria: To be eligible for the scholarship, you must meet the following:

Tier 1: The students eligible for assistance shall be graduating seniors of a high school in Andrew or Buchanan Counties in MO pursuing a degree in Business at Missouri Western State University.

Tier 2: The students eligible for assistance shall be a current senior undergraduate Missouri Western State University student majoring in Business with an emphasis in entrepreneurship. Preference given to students participating in the Applied Business Ownership class.

Amount: Tier 1: One-time award of \$1,000 awarded to a graduating senior payable \$500 in the fall semester and \$500 in the spring semester. The second installment will be released upon proof of enrollment and good academic progress (transcript required as proof).

Tier 2: One-time award of \$1,000 awarded to a current undergraduate student in the spring semester.

Deadline: Tier 1: March 1
Tier 2: December 15

Please apply through Scholar-Link:
www.cfnwmo.org

Community Foundation of Northwest Missouri, Inc.
Attn: Scholarships
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St Joseph, Missouri 64506

Chad's scholarship, founded by his family, and funded by countless family and friends' contributions from here, there and everywhere around the world, is very important to us as we are certain Chad would want to help other students receive the education opportunities both he '93, and our son Nathan '18, had with MWSU. Both Chad and Nathan were awarded scholarships to Western when they graduated high school. Chad's memorial scholarship was a way we felt we could both give back and pay forward to a local high school senior planning to attend Western to pursue business, and a senior undergraduate currently enrolled at Western and taking the Applied Business Ownership class. Nathan was the recipient of a Rocky Mountain Chocolate Factory store, in Petaluma, California, in 2018 after competing in Applied Business Ownership for a franchise. As his parents, we were beyond thrilled and proud to see his dedication to compete for a possible business of his own come to fruition.

Chad was an entrepreneur from a young age, always on the hustle to make a buck to fund his motocross racing dreams, build his cattle herd, buy farm ground, build our family, and eventually buy his dream boat and vacation home to share with friends and family—all while working a full time job he held for 27 years. It takes grit and perseverance to do what you dream of, and *that* he had. He taught Nathan the very same—if you want something it takes work, it doesn't come for free, and it's not always easy. It IS rewarding though to look back and see your accomplishments if you choose to go the entrepreneurial route—long nights after your “real job” is done for the day, the extra hustle is just beginning for those driven enough to work through the successes and failures, to learn along the way how to build a successful foundation.

Chad believed and saw the good in others, and wouldn't want a student's potential business owner dreams to be held back by education tuition concerns. We chose MWSU, Craig School of Business, specifically, because Chad, and particularly Nathan, both had great opportunities come their way via Western. A student's opportunities in front of them are what they make of them, and if they have a little boost with tuition concerns, this scholarship may allow them concentrate their efforts on chasing their dreams and not “how am I going to pay for this class, this semester?”.

We established Chad's scholarship opportunity through the Community Foundation of Northwest Missouri. We are continuing to accept donations if anyone would still like to contribute, or contribute again in the future. We are proud to be able to keep Chad's legacy of his work ethic (work hard, play hard) alive by offering some funding and encouraging students to consider business for themselves, too. We are thankful for all who recognized what we wanted to pay forward, and chose to contribute towards the possibility of a future student's success.