



### **The Cro Foundation Scholarship(s): Liberty High School Class of 2026**

**About The Cro Foundation:** The Cro Foundation was established in 2023 in memory of Ryan Crochunis (June 2, 2006-August 2, 2022). Ryan was a 16-year-old boy, a rising Junior at Liberty High School, with a big personality and a bright future ahead of him. Tragically, Ryan's life was cut short by a traumatic brain injury he incurred from a skateboarding accident. A basic protective helmet would have saved Ryan's life.

From this tragedy, The Cro Foundation was created to remember Ryan's life and his tremendous impact on those around him, as well as to continue his legacy through charitable activities. One of the foundation's first initiatives is the establishment of The Cro Foundation Scholarship(s).

**Scholarship Background:** The Cro Foundation intends to honor Ryan by granting scholarship(s) to students who have similar interests and qualities to those that Ryan had. Ryan was a good student but not the greatest student. He was a good athlete and baseball player but usually not the best player on the field. Ryan was a hard worker and had been working a part-time job in his sophomore year enabling him to be able to pay his car insurance, later in 2022, when he was scheduled to receive his license. Since there are many scholarships for students and athletes who excel in academics and sports, we'd prefer to recognize Liberty students whose interests and focus are more in alignment with how Ryan's were.

**Scholarship Program and Eligibility Criteria:** The Cro Foundation will present scholarship(s) awards to selected Liberty High School Seniors totaling no less than \$10,000.

#### **Applicants must:**

1. Submit the scholarship application (through the Foundation's online scholarship portal – all materials requested will be uploaded through the online application portal)

2. Provide one letter of recommendation (from an adult who knows you well)
3. Write and submit a short essay (requirements are outlined below)
4. Have plans to attend a two- or four-year college, or a trade school, after graduation (admission proof required)
5. Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00 at the time of application (transcripts required)
6. Have consistently held a part-time job during their high school career (describe those details in the essay).
7. Have consistently participated in local area recreational sport (describe those details in the essay)

The scholarship recipient will be announced at the Senior awards ceremony by one of Ryan's parents.

**Required Documentation (as outlined above):**

**Scholarship Application**

**1 letter of recommendation:** From an adult that knows you well

**Essay:** 500 word minimum, 12-point Times New Roman, double spaced with (1" margins)

Describe your high school activities, both in school, extra-curricular, and part-time employment. Detail how each of these facets of your life have contributed to who you are today (values, priorities, etc.) and why you deserve The Cro Foundation Scholarship.

**Proof of Admission (preferably an admission letter) to a two- or four-year college, or a trade school.**

**High School Transcripts**

Any questions or concerns can be addressed to The Cro Foundation scholarship committee at the following email address: [thecrofoundation@gmail.com](mailto:thecrofoundation@gmail.com).