## 2024 - 2025 Larry F Napolitano III Scholarship Now Accepting Applications



The Larry F Napolitano III scholarship is recognized as the most prestigious annual award within the WBS Knights organization. The scholarship honors one student-athlete who demonstrates exceptional athletic ability and strong leadership skills in both ice hockey and within their communities.

Lawrence "Larry" F. Napolitano III was a 22 year old athlete that passed away in 2021 after a long and courageous battle with Osteosarcoma (bone cancer).

Larry was a 2017 Graduate of North Pocono High School where he played on the varsity football and

baseball teams. He attended West Virginia University and later transferred to Penn State Main Campus where he majored in Wildlife and Fisheries Management. He also had a passion for weight lifting and the Georgia BullDogs football team. He was the son of Colleen (Murphy) Napolitano and Larry F. Napolitano II.

In order to assess a player's eligibility for the Larry F. Napolitano III Scholarship Award, please answer these questions with one of two sentences:

- 1. How has your involvement in ice hockey impacted your personal growth and development, both on and off the ice?
- 2. Can you provide examples of how you have demonstrated exceptional athletic ability during your time with the Knights organization?

- 3. Describe a specific leadership role or initiative you have taken on within your team or the broader hockey community.
- 4. How do you balance your academic responsibilities with your commitment to ice hockey training and competition?
- 5. In what ways have you contributed to your community outside of hockey, and how do you believe these experiences have shaped you as a person and a leader?
- 6. Can you share a challenging situation you encountered as a student-athlete and how you overcame it?
- 7. How do you strive to be a positive role model for your teammates, both on and off the ice?
- 8. Describe a time when you had to demonstrate resilience and perseverance in the face of adversity.

Please answer this final question with a paragraph: How has hockey affected you and your family?

These questions aim to evaluate the applicant's athletic abilities, leadership qualities, academic dedication, community involvement, and future aspirations—all of which are important criteria for the Larry F. Napolitano III Scholarship Award.

Applicants should email their responses to <u>ColNap@verizon.net</u>. The deadline for submissions is Monday, May 13, 2024 @ 5:00PM EST. No late admissions will be accepted.

Award winner will be announced by July 25th, 2024.

Player Name (PRINT)

Phone Number

Email Address