

Russell Hunter Ciolli Memorial Scholarship
In loving memory of Russell Hunter Ciolli

Criteria:

- 85 and above GPA
- Well rounded student in various activities
- Innovative, ambitious or entrepreneurial

Due Date: **March 1, 2022**

Please attach your application responses and submit to the Main Office by March 1, 2022

Name: _____

Address: _____ Phone _____

Email: _____

Date of Birth: _____

List College(s) you plan to attend _____

Interested major: _____

Future goals: _____

Please briefly describe yourself as others see you in your school community. Let us know the kind of student, community member, family member and friend you are.

**PLEASE RETURN THIS APPLICATION TO MRS. WENZ IN THE MAIN OFFICE
BY MARCH 1.**

I ATTEST TO THE ACCURACY OF THE ABOVE INFORMATION:

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____

**PARENT/GUARDIAN
SIGNATURE:** _____ **DATE:** _____

Five years ago, Russell Hunter Ciolli was taken from us too soon, at age 39. In his honor, we have started a scholarship fund to mark the anniversary of his passing.

Russell was the owner of Grimaldi's Pizzeria in Garden City, New York, a restaurant he built with his own hands. He was 2009 Garden City Business Person of the Year and an active member of the Garden City Chamber of Commerce. Russell was filled with talent and vision and had an incredible knack for connecting with his patrons. While growing his own business, he gave tirelessly to the community. He established the "Chamber Card" which supported other local Garden City businesses.

A wonderful, loving father to his two beautiful children and a genuine friend to all. A graduate of The University of Rhode Island, Class of '1994 and Mineola High School Class of '1990. Russell was an out-of-the-box thinker, athletic, (soccer and wrestling) musical, (drums /band) entrepreneurial, an innovator and an adept contractor. He was often described as "MacGyver" the guy you could count on to fix anything.

Russell was survived by his children, wife, parents, family and friends that miss him every single day.

The Russell Hunter Ciolli Memorial Scholarship will be awarded to a graduating senior selected by application from the RHC Memorial Scholarship Committee. The committees will consider average to above average students who emulate the unique qualities described above.

We will award a \$1,000 memorial scholarship this year and continue to make this a perpetual scholarship in the future. Thank you again for your consideration.

Regards,
Dorie Mehling
516-633-5346