



## Tim Hixson Memorial Scholarship Questions for the Candidates

This document will provide you with information about Tim Hixson, the former high school hockey player, beloved son, brother, friend and teammate. His family has graciously established this honor and scholarship in memory of Tim. They hope to inspire other high school hockey players to live life as Tim lived. Please read before submitting your online application. This document will prepare for your interview with the selection committee.

### About Tim Hixson

Our son Tim was a great young man who loved the game of ice hockey. He was a natural athlete who played many sports well. He played baseball, football, soccer, and was a pioneer snowboarder. But hockey was his main love. Tim enjoyed the contact and, though he was never the biggest guy on the ice, he chose to play defense. His style of play was one of total and complete abandon - throwing his body into every play.

Whether checking, taking a hit or stopping a 90 mph slap shot with his body, he gave everything he had on every play. Many an opposing defenseman who stood a full head taller than Tim made the mistake of thinking they could run over or intimidate him.

Usually they ended up on the ice wondering what happened. Tim handled the puck well and scored a lot of goals but good coaching taught him to play his position first.

Having an excellent coach at the right time developed him into a strong team player.

Tim played from the time he was 10 years old. Then on the evening of March 26, 1982, in his 22nd year, he was on his way to pick up a date when a drunken driver swerved into him and took his life. His life was tragically ended just when it should have begun.

So that he will always be remembered, his family established the Tim Hixson Memorial Scholarship Award in his name. Each year, a senior high school hockey defenseman and senior forward or goaltender, who love hockey as Tim did, can earn a trophy and a cash scholarship for their dedication to the sport. Hopefully, Tim's memory will be perpetuated through the lives of these outstanding young people.

### Questions for the Tim Hixson Memorial Scholarship Candidates to be submitted via the online application These questions and possibly additional questions will be asked by the interview committee.

- 1) Do you participate in any other high school *sports* activities? If so, which ones?
- 2) Do you participate in any other high school *extracurricular activities* such as debate, language club or other? If so, which ones?
- 3) If you have been in *leadership positions* in hockey, school, church, and/or other organizations, list the positions you have held and the duties associated with each
- 4) Do you *work* full or part-time or do you own your own business? If so, what are your job responsibilities, what is the name of the company; who is your immediate supervisor and what is his/her phone number?
- 5) Do you participate in your *community* in any way? If so, how?
- 6) What do you plan to do after you graduate (do you plan on attending college, serving a mission, getting a job, etc.)? Please explain *your life goals* in detail.
- 7) Write a paragraph or two on the importance of *sportsmanship*, not only in hockey but also in life
- 8) Write a paragraph or two on the traits and attitudes you feel would make the best coach. If you could invent a coach what would he/she be like?
- 9) Write a paragraph on how you have benefited from your hockey experiences.

*Scenario: There are 10 minutes remaining in the championship game. The score is 6 to 5 for the opposing team. The better players on your team have been able to score on the opposing team throughout the game. Your best friend is one of your team's worst players. The coach tells him that he will have to sit on the bench for the balance of the game while he puts out the better players to try and score.*

- 10) Do you feel this is the right thing to do? If you were that player who had to sit would you feel the coach was right?