About the Scholarship:

Project Sleep’s Jack and Julie Narcolepsy Scholarship supports students with narcolepsy and fosters awareness of this misunderstood condition within high school and college settings. In 2017, Project Sleep will award five scholarships of $1,000 each to high school seniors who will attend a four-year university in the fall of 2017, and who exemplify courage and hope while living with narcolepsy. In 2014, the Graham family partnered with narcolepsy spokesperson, Julie Flygare to establish this first-ever scholarship program dedicated to students with narcolepsy.

Program by:

Important Dates:

Jan. 1, 2017:
✓ Scholarship Announced

April 1, 2017:
✓ All Applications Due

June 1, 2017:
✓ Recipients Chosen

Fall 2017:
✓ Recipients Enter College

www.project-sleep.com/narcolepsy-scholarship
What is Narcolepsy?

Narcolepsy is a neurological disorder of the sleep/wake cycle, affecting 1 in 2,000 people, including 200,000 Americans.

Children as young as 3 years old can develop narcolepsy, yet patients often go undiagnosed or misdiagnosed for 3 to 15 years after symptom onset.

Experts state that, “For children with narcolepsy, the stigma of increased daytime sleep can affect social acceptance and increases risks of future psychiatric disorders, potential obesity, and depressive symptoms.”

Greater awareness of narcolepsy will decrease misconceptions and lead to quicker diagnoses.

Please read full application for details. Any questions may be sent to: narcolepsyscholarship@gmail.com

Meet Jack:

Jack was diagnosed with narcolepsy at age 15, although his symptoms developed earlier. Jack faced challenges in the classroom, yet with diagnosis and treatment, he excelled in high school as a student athlete. Jack is now a junior at the University of Arizona, where he is thriving academically and playing intramural basketball. In his spare time he enjoys cheering on the Wildcat basketball team. The adversity Jack faced inspired his family to look for ways to support other young students with narcolepsy.

Meet Julie:

Julie Flygare, J.D. is the founder of Project Sleep and author of Wide Awake and Dreaming: A Memoir of Narcolepsy. She was diagnosed with narcolepsy at age 24, during her second year of law school. After graduating, Julie dedicated herself to raising awareness about narcolepsy. Read her blog at www.julieflygare.com.

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Hello from College!
Here are a few of our past recipients.

“Diagnosed with narcolepsy and cataplexy at age 7, I never really encountered anyone else my age with narcolepsy. Through the Jack & Julie Narcolepsy Scholarship, I have come to know that I am not alone.”
– Katie Blankenship
Dominican University of California
JJNS Recipient 2015

“Receiving the Jack & Julie Narcolepsy Scholarship showed me the immense support people with narcolepsy have for each other in accomplishing our goals.”
– Jacob Zeiher
Ohio State University
JJNS Recipient 2014

“This scholarship not only blessed me financially but also spiritually and I am forever grateful. I hope one day to pay it forward and give back to another individual with narcolepsy.”
– Kenya Gradnigo
Northwestern State University of Louisiana
JJNS Recipient 2015

Thank you for your support!

We are a small non-profit supporting big dreams.

Partner with Project Sleep, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, to honor students with narcolepsy while raising critical awareness in high schools and colleges across the country. Your tax-deductible gift will give more students the opportunity to receive this scholarship. Please support us online at www.project-sleep.com/donate. Thank you!

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Narcolepsy Scholarship Application 2017

Project Sleep will award five scholarships in the amount of $1,000 each. Recipients will be chosen based on criteria including essay response, academic achievements, leadership and extra-curricular activities such as school and community activities, volunteer work and job experience.

1. Applicant must be a high school senior diagnosed with narcolepsy who will attend a four-year university starting in the fall of 2017.

2. The following must be included in your submission or your application will be considered incomplete: (Transcripts and doctor’s letter may be mailed in separately as necessary.)

- Completed and signed scholarship application. Additional parent/guardian signature is required if the applicant is under the age of 18 (Page 3 of this packet)
- Signed letter from an accredited sleep doctor or neurologist with confirmed narcolepsy diagnosis
- Official transcripts of grades completed through the most recent semester
- Release authorization (Page 2 of this packet)
- A portrait-style photo no larger than 5” x 7” - Do not send photos from a copier
- A list of extra-curricular activities including but not limited to school clubs/organizations, employment and community projects/teams - Please include any honors, officer or leadership roles
- ACT or SAT exam results
- One personal essay response to the topic below (500 word min – 1000 word max):

*If you could go “back in time” and speak to yourself on the day you were diagnosed with narcolepsy, what would you say? What advice or perspective would you share with your younger self? Please write a letter to yourself on your diagnosis day.*
Release Authorization 2017

Project Sleep may use pictures, likenesses and names of the scholarship recipients for publicity purposes. Additionally, we may republish the winners’ materials for subsequent marketing or awareness campaigns.

☐ If awarded a Jack & Julie Narcolepsy Scholarship (JJNS), I give permission for the use of my image, likeness, name or materials to be used by Project Sleep. This content might be used for purposes such as press releases, marketing or awareness efforts.

☐ If awarded this scholarship, I agree to provide a brief update and photo from college to Project Sleep in the fall of 2017.

☐ I will attend a **four-year university starting in fall 2017**. If my plans change, I will inform Project Sleep immediately at narcolepsyscholarship@gmail.com and I understand that this may affect scholarship eligibility. If awarded a scholarship, I agree to provide a copy of my four-year college acceptance letter.

**Applicant Signature:**

Dated this__________ day of________________________, 2017

Signature:________________________________________________________________________

Address:________________________________________________________________________

City:_________________________ State:_______ Zip:____________

**Parent/Guardian Signature:** (Only required if applicant is under the age of 18)

Dated this______ day of ____________________________, 2017

Signature:________________________________________________________________________

Address:________________________________________________________________________

City:_________________________ State:_______ Zip:____________
Application 2017

Instructions:

All application materials must be postmarked by April 1, 2017 – NO EXCEPTIONS.

Please send completed application materials to:

Jack & Julie Narcolepsy Scholarship
3863 Sugar Pine Lane
Zionsville, IN 46077

Applicant Information:

Name: ____________________________ Diagnosis: ☐ Type 1 narcolepsy with cataplexy

☐ Type 2 narcolepsy w/out cataplexy

☐ Other ________________________

Age: ______ Date of Birth: _________ I identify my gender as: _______________________

Home Address: ____________________________

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Street

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City State Zip

Phone Number: __________________________ Email: __________________________

High School: __________________________ Graduation Date: _________________

ACT or SAT Exam Results: ______________________

Applicant Signature: ______________________ Date: __________________

Parent Signature: _________________________ Date: __________________

*Only required for those under the age of 18