

## Introducing The Amanda (Hertig) Cullinan Student-Athlete Resiliency Award

On May 10, 2022, Amanda (Hertig) Cullinan, beloved Huntington alum and loving wife and mother, passed away at age 43 after a four-year battle with breast cancer. It was Amanda's wish to create **The Amanda Cullinan Foundation**, a nonprofit 501(c)3 to fund two annual scholarship awards for exemplary college-bound student athletes at Huntington High School, where Amanda graduated in 1996.

Amanda wanted the award to be given to student athletes who have demonstrated great resiliency in the face of adversity, whether that be in the classroom, on the playing field or in life. Those who have faced obstacles big or small and not given up—people who have struggled but kept fighting. No one was more resilient than Amanda. This foundation and these scholarships will be a huge part of her legacy and will give all of those who loved her a way to honor her inspiring life.

Amanda was the president of the Huntington High School class of 1996. She was a top student and an integral part of the historic state championship season for the girls' soccer team in 1995 and captain of the women's lacrosse team that made it to the state championship in 1996. Amanda graduated with honors and went on to play lacrosse at Brown University, where she graduated in 2000. She eventually settled in North Carolina with her husband and three children but always came back to Huntington to visit family and friends.

True to her wishes, this one-time \$2,500 award will be given to a college-bound student athlete each year from Huntington High School who has inspired others on or off the field. To be considered for this award, you must meet the following criteria:

- Be a graduating senior at HHS who will be attending a 4-year college in the fall.
- Play a sport at HHS (you do *not* need to be playing a sport in college).
- Fill out and submit the application form by our deadline (May 15, 2026).



APPLICATION: THE AMANDA CULLINAN STUDENT-ATHLETE RESILIENCY AWARD

**DEADLINE: May 15, 2026** 

Student name:
Student's email address and cell phone number:
Parent's name, email address and cell phone number:
GPA:
Sport/s played or playing in high school:
College attending (if still undecided, put undecided):
List any academic, athletic or other recognitions or honors you have received:
Please describe how you have shown resiliency, on or off the field, in 300 words or less
(please type this portion and attach to the application:
**Please drop off completed applications to the athletic office or scan and email to <a href="mailto:ihoops@hufsd.edu">ihoops@hufsd.edu</a> **