



The Michael J. Noone, Jr. Memorial Scholarship

Michael J. Noone, Jr., was a beloved and highly respected teacher at Melrose High School who passed away unexpectedly in 2019. He was a 1993 graduate of St. John's Prep in Danvers, and attended Philips Exeter Academy.

Michael received his Bachelor of Arts from Amherst College in 1998 and his Master of Arts in Teaching in 2019 from Salem State University.

Michael loved teaching and discovered it as a second career, putting all his intelligence, energy, wit and thoughtfulness into his job. He was proud to be a teacher at Melrose High School and to be a part of the Social Studies Department, teaching U.S. History, AP Economics, and Global Leadership, and serving as a class adviser. Michael openly expressed how grateful he was to do what he loved in a community he loved dearly. His students fondly remember his participation in the annual student vs faculty Spirit Spike Volleyball game, and he shared with his students the joys of his life – his wife Sara and young son Michael Jr. – through stories and family rituals including Friday 'pizza' night.



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As a student himself, Michael received many academic awards and was an accomplished hockey player throughout high school, prep school, and at Amherst College. He followed his passion for hockey after his playing days, ultimately becoming one of the JV hockey coaches at St. Johns Prep. Michael was a devoted family man who loved being a husband and dad.



He will always be remembered for his intellectual curiosity and passion for books, history, and sports. He reached so many people with his quick wit, wonderful storytelling, steady presence, and notes of encouragement. Michael's love and compassion knew no bounds or limit. He is remembered as humble, principled, and exceedingly generous of his talents and time.

The Michael J. Noone, Jr. Memorial Scholarship is awarded each year to a senior who seeks to pursue studies in history, economics, global studies or a field that focuses on improving the lives of others. The student should be a person who has been a positive member of the Melrose community and who has persevered when they have been met with obstacles in life.