



# The Francisco Lindor Scholarship Fund

## About

Before being drafted in the first round of the MLB draft, Mr. Lindor attended Montverde Academy (MVA) beginning in grade 8 until his graduation in 2011. With origins in Puerto Rico, Mr. Lindor was minimally fluent in English upon his arrival to MVA and has long credited the Academy with providing him with a strong academic foundation that supplied the basis for his ability to optimize his professional journey in Major League Baseball. While at MVA, he became an accomplished student and athlete. In addition, Mr. Lindor spent several years as a boarding student and has openly acknowledged that the diversity and structure of Montverde Academy provided significant value in developing his decision-making, judgment and leadership skills. Today, Mr. Lindor is the All-Star shortstop for the New York Mets baseball team and is considered the face of the franchise.

The Francisco Lindor Scholarship Fund, established in 2020 through a gift to Montverde Academy from alumnus Francisco Lindor, will provide current and/or prospective students with financial assistance to help offset the cost of tuition.

## Purpose

The purpose of this scholarship is to provide financial assistance to deserving students and/or prospective students at Montverde Academy who have a demonstrated need for financial assistance to make an opportunity for a college preparatory education at the Academy possible.

## Eligibility

Middle School and Upper School students (and potential students) who meet the following requirements are eligible to apply for the scholarship:

- Demonstrate strong academic standing in current and/or prior academic performance and remain so while being a scholarship recipient.
- Have strong character and integrity and maintain an honorable citizenship record during the duration as a scholarship recipient.
- Be involved in extracurricular activities with a particular emphasis on engagement in community service initiatives and leadership roles to both contribute to the school community and prepare for the college search process.
- **Minimum GPA 3.0.** A minimum grade point average must be sustained during the duration as a scholarship recipient. Grade point averages, academic performance and citizenship performance will be shared with Mr. Lindor on a quarterly basis.
- Mr. Lindor intends to invest the time in knowing his scholarship recipients and when he is not engaged in his professional obligations may meet with recipients minimally one time per year in person or virtually.

## Selection

**Student** Applications will be available online from the Enrollment Management section of the Montverde Academy website. Prospective applicants will be required to submit the following with the application:

1. Submit prior academic transcripts (Upper School candidates) or annual report cards (Middle School candidates)
2. Submit completed recommendation forms
3. Submit the required essay responses

**Parents** Parents will be required to complete the FAST application for financial assistance located on the Enrollment Management section of the Montverde Academy website and submit prior year tax returns and current W2s.

Scholarship recipients will be announced on a rolling basis as applications are received and reviewed until funds are depleted. Mr. Lindor will contribute to all scholarship decisions.

## Award

Scholarships will be awarded concurrent with the families' chosen payment plan and will continue for one academic year. Applicants will be required to apply annually for scholarship funds. Concurrent with financial aid policies, students who fail to maintain scholarship standards may have their scholarship suspended or withdrawn during the course of the year.

Funding is awarded annually until the resources are depleted.

## Questions

Questions regarding the Francisco Lindor Scholarship program may be directed to the Director of Financial Aid, Ms. Sue Tortora at [sue.tortora@montverde.org](mailto:sue.tortora@montverde.org) or Dr. David Rath, Associate Head of School/Dean of Enrollment Management at [david.rath@montverde.org](mailto:david.rath@montverde.org)