

## Jennifer Francis-Schmidt Memorial Scholarship

Jennifer Francis-Schmidt was a three-sport athlete who graduated from Mount Vernon High School in 1995. She played soccer, basketball, and softball. Jennifer played on the varsity squad for 12 out of 12 seasons in her high school career and on her teams, she went to the state tournament 11 out of 12 seasons.

Jennifer was able to play softball in college and then returned to Mount Vernon and went on to coach her alma mater to several state tournament appearances. She was a mentor to student-athletes both on and off of the field.

Jennifer also coached softball for Sedro-Woolley

High School and was the lead secretary at Big Lake Elementary. Jennifer loved raising her family with her wife Laura and raising their children Jaisa and Jaxson in the Sedro-Woolley Community.

When you think of Jen, you think of a kind, loving, giving human, who would go out of her way to help others and befriend those that were left out. Jennifer was a fighter. She battled cancer with the same tenacity she displayed on the court and on the field as a student-athlete. Jennifer Francis-Schmidt lost her battle with cancer on April 5th, 2021.

To continue her legacy, Jennifer's Family has started the Jennifer Francis-Schmidt memorial scholarship which is awarded to a multi-sport student-athlete, who is an amazing human that gives back to others or the greater good, and who is planning to pursue education beyond high school.