

## **SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE FOR 2023/24**

\*Each of the following Millard schools offer a scholarship through the MPS Foundation. Students must have attended the school to be eligible to apply. \*

Abbott PTO Scholarship 2 - \$1000  
Ackerman PTO Scholarship 2 - \$500  
Aldrich PTA Scholarship 1 - \$1500  
Andersen Memorial (Middle School) Scholarship 1 - \$1000  
Beadle Middle School Scholarship 1 - \$1000  
Black Elk PTT 2 - \$1000  
Bryan Elementary Scholarship 1 - \$500  
Cather PTO Scholarship 1 - \$1000  
Central Middle Scholarship 1 - \$1000  
Cody PTA Scholarship 1 - \$1500  
Cottonwood PTA Scholarship 2 - \$600  
Disney PTO Scholarship 1 - \$400  
Ezra Millard PTO Scholarship 1 - \$750  
Harvey Oaks PTO Scholarship 2 - \$1000  
Hitchcock PTO Scholarship 1 - \$500  
Holling Heights Scholarship 1 - \$500  
Keith Lutz Horizon High School 1 - \$1000  
Kiewit Middle School Scholarship 2 - \$1000  
Montclair PTO Scholarship 2 - \$1000  
Morton PTO Scholarship 2 - \$500  
Neihardt PTO Scholarship 1 - \$1000  
Norris PTO Scholarship 4 - \$600  
North Middle School Scholarship 1 - \$2000  
Reeder PTO Scholarship 2 - \$1000  
Rockwell PTO 1 - \$500  
Rohwer PTO 1 - \$1000  
Reagan Elementary Scholarship 2 - \$1000  
Russell Middle School Scholarship 2 - \$1500  
Sandoz PTA Scholarship 2 - \$1000  
Upchurch PTA Scholarship 1 - \$1000  
Wheeler PTA Scholarship 2 - \$500  
Willowdale PTO Scholarship 1 - \$1000

## **COMMUNITY & MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE FOR 2023/24**

### **Alpha Delta Kappa Scholarship**

This scholarship is funded annually through a contribution from the Alpha Delta Kappa organization to the Millard Public Schools Foundation.

#### **Schools:**

All Millard High Schools

#### **Eligible Students:**

Millard high school seniors who have participated in school and community activities throughout their high school career. This scholarship must be used for undergraduate study at an accredited university, college, or other post-secondary educational institution of the student's choice.

#### **Amount of Scholarship:**

\$1000.00

### **Allyson Vaughn Scholarship**

Ally Vaughn was a student at Black Elk Elementary, Beadle Middle School, and Millard West High School where she was involved in track and soccer. After graduating from Millard West in 2015, Ally continued her education at University of Nebraska-Omaha. She was an active member of the Zeta Tau Alpha sorority, which provided her with academic, career, and leadership opportunities. Ally graduated from UNO in December of 2019 with a bachelor's degree in business administration with minors in Psychology and Real Estate. With the education and leadership skills she gained throughout her education in Millard, as well as UNO, Ally now works at Fidelity National Title Group where she started off as an assistant. In just 3 short years, her hard work has paved a path that led her to receiving a leadership position where she now manages a team of assistants on her own. Although Ally's exam scores and GPA were not always the highest, Ally has always been a determined dreamer which has led her to big career opportunities. She has big plans and aspirations for her life that she looks forward to. She has always been an out-of-the-box thinker and has a niche for solving conflicts in ways that are outside the norm, which has helped her climb up the ladder in her career today as well as promoting success for her in aspects outside of employment. She strives to one day further her education in real estate so that she can assist the Omaha community by helping families find homes, as well as cleaning the community up by flipping and selling properties. This scholarship is offered in Ally's legacy to continue to honor someone who wants to further their education by being determined to work hard and use their creativity to achieve big dreams.

**Schools:**

All Millard High Schools

**Eligible Students:**

Must be scheduled to attend a selected post-secondary educational institution or trade school by October in the year of high school graduation. Must have a GPA of 2.5 or higher.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$2000.00

**Andrea Sinnett Memorial Scholarship**

Andrea Sinnett, better known to her friends as Andi, was a member of the first graduating class from Millard South High School in 1982. During her time at Millard South, Andrea played saxophone in the marching and jazz bands, sang in the concert and swing choirs, and was a member of the student council. Additionally, Andrea was Queen Aggravain in "Once Upon a Mattress". Outside of school, she loved sports and could discuss the topic with anyone. Her love of sports and singing came together beautifully during pep rallies before big games when she and her friends would sing the national anthem. As part of the Millard South choir quartet, Andrea and her friends were selected to sing the national anthem before the state basketball championship in Lincoln. After high school Andrea worked in banking and dental office management. Whether she was working, singing karaoke, line dancing or following her beloved Colorado Rockies or Denver Broncos, she made lifelong friends with her smile and her generosity. Andrea passed away in 2010 from a degenerative disease in which she lost the use of her muscles. While she was unable to sing or dance for several years, her personality continued to shine. This scholarship is an opportunity to honor Andrea's love for Millard South, dancing, singing, and performing.

**Schools:**

Millard South High School

**Eligible Students:**

Millard South seniors who have completed two years at Millard South High School. They shall have participated in at least one year of a school sponsored musical activity while at Millard South High School.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$1000.00

**Barbara Siedschlag Educator Scholarship**

Barb Siedschlag taught in the Omaha and Millard Public Schools for 20 years. During her career, she primarily taught 6th grade Math and English. She was very involved in after school

programs including Snack and Stitch, an after-school sewing club. She was also the English department head and created new, inventive lessons for middle school students. She possessed a unique charm and built relationships with her students. Former students remained connected for years to come, citing her unwavering support, deep passion for literature and boundless energy in the classroom. A huge supporter of the arts and community theatre, Barb was a vocalist with the Clarion Chamber Chorale and founding member of the Ralston High School "Curtain Raisers" Booster Club. She loved spending time with family, camping, quilting, antiquing, reading, cooking and was a master seamstress. The Siedschlag family is most grateful for the love and support provided while Barb taught at Peter Kiewit Middle School. It is with love, joy and respect that this scholarship is offered for students who are committed to following a path of service in the field of education, creating high-energy and innovative opportunities for all student learners.

**Schools:**

All Millard High Schools. Preference given to a student who attended Peter Kiewit Middle School.

**Eligible Students:**

Intend to pursue a career as a teacher. Must NOT be related to the Siedschlag family.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$1000.00

**Bernie Vanis Memorial Scholarship**

Bernie began his teaching career at Sandoz Elementary in 1973. In 1979, Bernie was named the principal of the newly opened Rockwell Elementary and was appointed as the first principal of Kiewit Middle School in 1988, a position he held until his death in 1990. Bernie was a child-centered educator who devoted extensive time helping children grow and succeed. Bernie was a leader among leaders and this scholarship is intended to carry on his zest for educational excellence for youth and adults.

**Schools:**

All Millard High Schools

**Eligible Students:**

Shall have an academic standing in the upper half of his/her graduating class. Intends to major in education (teaching). Must NOT be related to the Bernie Vanis family.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$1000.00

**Bill Schnase Memorial Scholarship**

William "Bill" Schnase, a teacher and coach at Millard High School and Millard North High School for nearly 30 years, positively impacted the lives of so many students and colleagues. His love of life could be seen in his ever-present smile, irrepressible sense of humor and words of encouragement to all. The longtime teacher, coach, and veteran of the United States Army developed champions, scholars, leaders, and humanitarians. His ability to teach and reach students and student-athletes was a gift that he shared in the classroom, on the field, and in life. One of his many favorite phrases will forever be heard echoing through the classrooms, tracks, football fields and our minds - "it's a great day to be alive!" Bill's legacy will live on through a scholarship program for students and a grant program for teachers - both to be administered through the Millard Foundation.

**Schools:**

Millard North High School

**Eligible Students:**

The student will be planning to pursue a career in STEM. Shall have completed two academic years at a Millard high school and be eligible to graduate from Millard North High School by June of this year. Shall have participated in high school athletics or STEM activities. Shall demonstrate financial need.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$2000.00

**Bob and Mary Lykke Educator Scholarship**

Bob and Mary Lykke represent a tradition of dedication to education, to children, and to the Millard Public Schools with a combined 49 years in this district. They are proud to offer this scholarship to a student wishing to be an educator. Bob Lykke dedicated 28 years to the Millard School District. He initiated the Elementary Guidance program in 1969. In 1974, he became the principal of Morton Elementary School. He closed his career in 1997 after serving as the principal at Andersen Middle School, the first middle school in the district. He spent 13 years after his retirement supervising student teachers and administrative practicum students at UNO. He also developed and taught the middle level leadership class there. He now serves as volunteer tutor at Rockwell Elementary, Holling Heights Elementary and Morton Elementary. He also serves as a mentor. He continues to be an active member of the Southwest Omaha Kiwanis Club, and volunteers through the Eastern Nebraska Office on Aging. Mary Lykke was a dedicated teacher at Central (Junior High) Middle School for 21 years. Beginning in 1977, she taught seventh grade social studies and eighth grade American History. She was very involved in the school activity program through serving as a student council sponsor and volleyball coach and helped with gymnastics. Since her retirement in 1998, she has volunteered at Morton Elementary and Ezra Millard Elementary. She sews mittens for children which are distributed through various charities. In 2011 the College of

Education at the University of Nebraska at Omaha acknowledged Bob and Mary's continuing dedication to children, education, and the Omaha community by presenting them with the Lifetime Achievement Award. The Lykke tradition in education continues with their daughters Helen, Ann, and Bobbi. Each graduated from Millard South and all are teachers.

**Schools:**

Millard South High School

**Eligible Students:**

This Scholarship is ONLY for a Career in Education. Must NOT be related to the Lykke family.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$1500.00

**Buell Jipp Memorial Scholarship**

Lyle and Sue Buell, and Louis and Lois Jipp died tragically in a car accident in December 1980. Lyle was serving as activities director for Millard North at the time of his death. Sue Buell and Lois Jipp were elementary teachers in Millard. Louis Jipp was an avid supporter of the Millard athletic department. All were devoted parents, positive contributors to the community and committed to providing quality education for young people in Millard.

**Schools:**

All Millard High Schools

**Eligible Students:**

One scholarship will be awarded to a graduate of each of the Millard Public High Schools. Shall have an academic standing in the upper half of his or her class. Shall have completed two academic years in the Millard School System. Has had work experience (at least part-time or summer-time) during high school years. Must NOT be related to the Buell-Jipp family.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$450.00

**Caryl and Catherine Brown Memorial Scholarship**

Caryl and Katherine Brown viewed education as the answer to many of the challenges they encountered during the Great Depression and World War II years. Throughout their 49-year marriage, they supported public education with involvement in PTA activities at Omaha's Miller Park elementary school and maintained that interest as their son, Richard D., advanced into activities at Omaha North and later, at UNO. Public education was the utmost importance

to them. For example, during the final years of his life, Caryl Brown – then in his early 90’s – would consistently encourage his caregivers at Silvercrest Assisted Living to continue pursuits for additional levels of certification and degrees. Richard, who started his career as a journalist, joined the Millard High (now Millard South) faculty in 1973 and taught advanced placement social studies and speech communication. From 1991 to 2009 he coached the forensics team and sponsored the school’s National Forensic League chapter. He now teaches at Metropolitan Community College and is the coach of the Creighton Prep speech and debate team, and is senior writer for the Midlands Business Journal.

**Schools:**

All Millard High Schools

**Eligible Students:**

Applicant shall have an academic standing of at least 3.0 GPA cumulative based on at least three years in Millard Public Schools. Have an interest and plan on a major in communications and education (although the latter is a secondary factor) Have a demonstrated need. Priority will be given to students who have demonstrated success in classes and activities related to journalism (newspaper, yearbook, on-line publications), speech (debate, forensics) and/or drama (plays, musicals, one acts). At the discretion of the selection committee, this award may be renewed for subsequent years.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$1000.00

**Colin Bloom Memorial Scholarship**

Colin Bloom was a student at Aldrich Elementary. During his three years at Aldrich, Colin enjoyed the International Baccalaureate Program, learned Spanish, and participated in the Golden Sower Quiz Bowl. Outside of school, Colin was involved in swimming at Millard Aquatics and basketball at Omaha Sports Academy. He played the cello with the Omaha Area Youth Orchestra, was an avid reader and LEGO builder, and loved listening to music and going to see movies. He truly enjoyed making new friends. Colin passed away in July of 2020, before entering Kiewit Middle School.

**Schools:**

All Millard High Schools

**Eligible Students:**

Must be planning to attend a selected post-secondary education institution or trade school by October in the year of high school graduation. Must have completed 5<sup>th</sup> grade at Aldrich Elementary. \*Preference given to Millard North High School.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$1000.00

**Colonel Marcia Booker Walker Scholarship**

Colonel Walker graduated from Millard High School in 1978 after attending Millard schools since second grade. She earned her commission in the United States Air Force in 1982 through the ROTC program at Oklahoma State University. In 1982 she was one of three women selected nationwide to become a navigator. Throughout her 29-year military career she held numerous operations and logistics positions including KC-135 instructor/evaluator, wing emergency management officer, and logistics officer. After retirement from the military, she continued to wear the uniform for 7 more years as the Senior Instructor for Air Force Junior ROTC at Carl Albert High School in Midwest City, Oklahoma. Colonel Walker was a member of the 2019 Millard South High School Hall of Fame. This scholarship is offered in honor of Colonel Walker's service to our nation and as a token of appreciation to the MPS educators who provided her with a strong education foundation and encouraged her that the "sky is the limit".

**Schools:**

All Millard High Schools

**Eligible Students:**

Must be scheduled to attend a selected post-secondary educational institution or trade school by October in the year of high school graduation. Must have a GPA of 3.5 or higher.

\*Preference given to a Millard South, JROTC, or STEM student.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$1000.00

**Daegan Page Memorial Scholarship**

Daegan William-Tyler Page, lived life full send with a passion to experience life with adventure and passion, overcoming challenges along the way.

Daegan grew up in the Omaha area playing hockey, skateboarding and scouting and could often be found with a camera in hand. Daegan graduated from Millard South High School in 2016. At 19 he joined the United States Marine Corps and started his career as infantryman in the 2nd Battalion, 1st Marine Regiment, The Professionals. On August 26, 2021, at the age of 23, Daegan's life, and that of 12 other US Service members, was taken during the evacuation of US and Afghan citizens at the Hamid Karzai International Airport in Kabul Afghanistan as the US was exiting the 20-year Global War on terrorism.



To perpetuate Daegan's zest for living a full life and his drive to face life's challenges head on, Daegan's family started the Cpl. Daegan Page Foundation. In addition to fulfilling its mission, the foundation encourages others to live life the DaeWay. The DaeWay is living full send in the good and the bad. It's living every moment with experiences and adventures and facing your challenges knowing they can be overcome. It's being a good friend and family member. It's smiling, laughing loudly and living louder. It's taking the chance, being fearless and full send without regrets each day that you have on earth. It's chasing passions that bring you joy and confidence to be the best person you can be.

**Schools:**

All Millard High Schools

**Eligible Students:**

This scholarship is offered annually to two students with a value of \$1,500 each to help offset the costs to attend a post-secondary educational institution or trade school of the recipient's choice. Applicants must be scheduled to attend a selected post-secondary educational institution or trade school by October in the year of high school graduation and must have a 2.5 GPA.

\*Preference given to Millard South High School.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$1500.00

**Debbie Ryckman Memorial Scholarship**

Debbie Ryckman loved to teach. She received a B.S. in Child Development from Michigan State University. During her career she taught in Hopewell, New Jersey, Wheeling, West Virginia, and for almost 20 years in the Millard School District. She taught primarily at Sandoz Elementary and Upchurch Elementary. She loved her family, friends, and her students. She was a first-grade teacher and loved to see that spark ignite within her students that led to a love of reading. Debbie needed to retire earlier than she would have liked, due to autoimmune issues. This also left her vulnerable to Covid 19, which took her life even though she was fully vaccinated. Her love of students continues through this scholarship.

**Schools:**

All Millard High Schools

**Eligible Students:**

The recipient shall be a student who intends to pursue a course of study in education.

\*Preference given to students who attended Sandoz Elementary.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$1000.00

**Dick Page Memorial Scholarship****Schools:**

All Millard High Schools

**Eligible Students:**

Must be a Spark employee.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$1000.00

**Donna Black Memorial Scholarship**

Donna L. Black dedicated her life to children, education, and community. While working to obtain a degree in nursing, family needs resulted in her needing to leave the program early; this simply resulted in her finding many other ways over the years to serve others while raising her own five children (all Millard Schools graduates), Rick, Bill, Terry, Tim, and Jana. Throughout her life she looked for ways to bring community together and give back. From leading PTA/PTO organizations, to volunteering as 'team mom' for her boys, serving as a Cub Scout and Campfire Girls leader, dressing up as a clown to entertain children - no job was too big or small. She was fiercely passionate about ensuring that the children of the community had access to the highest quality education. She successfully ran for Millard Board of Education in 1968 becoming the first woman ever elected to the School Board. She then went on to become the first female elected as President of the board. After serving on the Board for three terms from 1969-1981. Donna was then elected to the ESU #3 Board of Directors serving one term. After her service on the Millard School Board, Donna went to work for the district as a preschool special education paraprofessional bringing her compassionate and nurturing abilities to young students with unique needs.

**Schools:**

Millard South High School

**Eligible Students:**

The scholarship must be used for undergraduate study in education or healthcare-based academic fields at an accredited university, college, or other post-secondary educational institution of the recipient's choice. The recipient must begin attendance at the selected institution by October in the year of high school graduation.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$1000.00

**Don Stroh Educator Scholarship**

This scholarship is given in the name of Dr. Don Stroh as an expression of gratitude for his many years of dedicated service to education and the community. Dr. Stroh served the Millard Public Schools as superintendent for 34 years. During his tenure with Millard, he also served as teacher, coach and principal. His professional activities have spanned several organizations and agencies over the years. He has held a variety of leadership positions in local and state groups and has been the recipient of many honors and awards. Dr. Stroh was also a founding board member of the Millard Public Schools Foundation.

**Schools:**

All Millard High Schools

**Eligible Students:**

Applicant shall have an academic standing in the upper 25% of his/her class and be able to benefit from an educational experience after graduation. They shall have completed two academic years in the Millard School System and be eligible to graduate from a Millard High School by June of this year. Applicant intends to pursue a career in Education (teacher, administrator, counselor, etc).

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$1000.00

**Douglas L. Lamay Memorial Scholarship**

Douglas L. LaMay, born April 29, 1970, was always curious about what made mechanical things work. He enjoyed disassembling and assembling automotive components, NHRA sanctioned sports, and making cars go fast. His interest in making cars go fast motivated him to become skilled in drive train modification and tune-up specialization. After graduating from Millard North High School in June, 1988, Doug attended Universal Technical Institute and became certified in the area of Automotive Mechanics. He worked as a tune-up specialist. On September 7, 1991, Doug died unexpectedly from cardiac arrhythmia. Doug was a person who liked people. His interest in fast cars, motorcycles, and NHRA sanctioned sports made it easy for him to meet people from all walks of life. Prior to his death, Doug said that he was thinking of pursuing a teaching career in the field of automotive mechanics. Although death prevented Doug from teaching his trade to others, perhaps his desire to help others will be realized through this Memorial Scholarship. For Auto Mechanics or related area.

**Schools:**

All Millard High Schools

**Eligible Students:**

The scholarship must be used at a two-year community college or Vocational Technical institution, or other post-secondary educational institution which offers automotive mechanics or a closely related area of study. The award winner must begin attendance at the selected institution by December in the year of high school graduation. Shall have an academic standing in the upper 60% of your class (see your counselor if in doubt). Must major in auto mechanics or a closely related area. Must NOT be related to the Douglas L. LaMay family.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$500.00

**Dr. Jon Lopez Memorial Scholarship**

Dr. Jon Lopez was a dedicated educator who believed that the best leaders were caring leaders. He was an extraordinary advocate for his students, staff and community. He worked in public education as a teacher in Millard Public Schools, and was Principal at Millard South. He went on to become a Superintendent of Schools in Beatrice but always had a special place in his heart for the students of Millard. He was a man who believed all students are the makers of their destiny despite past hardships. He would be proud to be part of helping students pursue their dreams of making a difference through education. Dr. Lopez passed away after a valiant battle with pancreatic cancer. This scholarship was founded with the intent of honoring his memory by supporting students who are willing to do what it takes to shape their destiny.

**Schools:**

Millard South High School

**Eligible Students:**

The scholarship is open to students with a grade point average of 2.5 or higher and an ACT of 20-29. • The student will be planning to major in education. • Shall have completed two academic years at a Millard High School and be eligible to graduate from a Millard High School by June of this year.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$1500.00

**Dr. Robert & Lynn Williams Scholarship**

This scholarship, funded by former students, friends and family, will go to a student who best emulates Bob & Lynn's love for teaching, their commitment to excellence, and enthusiasm for

life. After graduating from Iowa State University in 1972, Dr. Bob Williams was hired as a MPS district History teacher and football coach. During his 33-year career within Millard, Bob earned his Ph.D. in Education Administration, Curriculum, Supervision, and Instruction from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. Bob considered a professional highlight in his career teaching AP Psychology and non-traditional students. During his tenure at Millard South, Bob was frequently named "Teacher of the Year" by students for his passionate, creative, and inspirational approach to education.

Lynn Williams served in a critical role at Millard North Middle School as a counselor for 25 years. Mark Twain says it best for Lynn, "Find a job you enjoy doing, and you will never have to work a day in your life." She loved her work in Millard and activated many of her strengths to encourage student growth and nurture strong interpersonal relationships with the student body.

Bob and Lynn shared a love of family, athletics, golf, and travel. The couple is often described as kind, sensitive, dynamic, and fun-loving. Bob will always be remembered for his infectious spirit and enthusiastic approach to life. Lynn retired from Millard in 2011 and continues to support the district she dearly loves. This scholarship, funded by former students, friends and family, is awarded to a student who best emulates Bob and Lynn's love of education, commitment to excellence, and enthusiasm for life.

**Schools:**

All Millard High Schools

**Eligible Students:**

This scholarship is open to Education Academy Students only. The scholarship is open to students who have successfully completed AP Psychology with a grade of 2 or higher. They shall be able to do college work as demonstrated by an acceptable grade point average of 3.0 or higher. Applicants shall have completed two academic years at a Millard High School and be eligible to graduate from a Millard High School by June of this year. Preference given to applicants who plan to pursue a career as a teacher, or in the area of education. Potential for annual renewal based upon recipient's commitment to education and academic performance in college.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$2500.00

**Dr. Vicki Kaspar Memorial Scholarship**

Dr. Victoria Kaspar was a loyal, determined member of the Millard community for over 20 years. She first worked at Millard South in the classroom as English teacher and later in the leadership roles of department head and assistant principal. In her time as a staff member, Dr. Kaspar was known for her warm demeanor as well as her caring, attentive mentoring of both students and teachers alike. She instilled in students that making good decisions and

being a person of strong character is very important. During her tenure she gained additional perspective as a Millard parent, eventually watching each of her three children graduate from Millard South. Dr. Kaspar passed away unexpectedly following a tragic event at the school in January 2011. This scholarship was founded with the intent of honoring her memory by encouraging and supporting Millard youth.

Special Requirements: 1. Three (3) \$2,500 scholarships will be awarded. One (1) will be awarded to a graduate of Millard South High School. One (1) will be awarded to a graduate of Millard North High School. One (1) will be awarded to a graduate of Millard West High School. 2. The scholarship is open to students with a grade point average of 3.5 or higher and an ACT score of 20-29. 3. Scholarship recipients will not earn more than \$4,000 in accepted scholarships. Student applicants shall have completed two academic years in the Millard School system and be eligible to graduate at the end of the current school year.

**Schools:**

All Millard High Schools

**Eligible Students:**

Three (3) \$2,500 scholarships will be awarded. One (1) will be awarded to a graduate of Millard South High School. One (1) will be awarded to a graduate of Millard North High School. One (1) will be awarded to a graduate of Millard West High School. The scholarship is open to students with a grade point average of 3.5 or higher and an ACT score of 20-29. Scholarship recipients cannot earn more than \$4,000 in accepted scholarships. Student applicants shall have completed two academic years in the Millard School system and be eligible to graduate at the end of the current school year.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$2500.00

**Evan Sharp Memorial Scholarship**

Evan Sharp was an amazing kid who excelled at life! He was a great friend, fantastic athlete and a great all-around person. Evan died shortly after his 11th birthday from a cancerous brain tumor. Evan loved basketball, baseball, his family, and spending time with his friends. Evan made the world a better place for everyone that knew him, and it was a privilege to know him. He always had a great outlook on life and went into things with a big smile and cheeky attitude. It is the goal of this scholarship to allow the memory of this special person, who touched the lives of so many, to continue benefiting the lives of others. Evan would have been a member of Millard West High School's graduating Class of 2019.

**Schools:**

Millard West High School

**Eligible Students:**

The scholarship may be used for post-secondary educational institution following proof of enrollment into a post-secondary educational institution of the recipient's choice. Or, towards a career-ready trade following proof of employment or enrollment at a trade school of the recipient's choice. The recipient must begin attendance at a selected institution or working towards trade-based employment by October in the year of high school graduation.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$2000.00

**Frank Perrone Memorial Scholarship**

Frank Perrone was a student at Ackerman Elementary, Bryan Elementary, Andersen Middle School and Millard South High School where he was involved in theater, swimming, and debate. After graduation from Millard South in 2013, Frank continued to be involved in the debate community throughout college as a judge and assisted with the debate program at Millard South after his graduation from Midland University. Frank's love of debate was a contributing factor to his acceptance at Creighton Law School in February of 2020.

Frank passed away suddenly on May 30, 2020, from an undetected brain tumor.

Frank did not always have the highest test scores or the best grade point average, but he had something special. Many people of all ages came forward after Frank's passing to share how Frank's kindness, hard-work, and dedication to others made an impact on their lives. This scholarship is offered in memory of Frank to continue that legacy and honor someone who has displayed those qualities by helping further his or her post-secondary education.

**Schools:**

All Millard High Schools

**Eligible Students:**

Must be scheduled to attend a selected post-secondary educational institution or trade school by October in the year of high school graduation. Must have a GPA of 2.0 or higher.

\*Preference given to Millard South High School

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$1000.00

### **G.E. Nelson Memorial Scholarship**

Grover came to the Millard area in 1917 and was a prominent banker in Millard until he retired as President of the Bank of Millard in 1964. He was an active leader and supported the Millard community and the Millard Public Schools through the years. Grover served as treasurer of the Douglas County Fair Board for 25 years and was active in various community organizations including the Millard Lions Club and Millard Athletic Association, and served as the election commissioner for many years. He also was active in the Nebraska Bankers Association. After his death in 1970, the G.E. Nelson scholarship was established by his family, including his wife, Mary D. Nelson, and their children: Grove Nelson, Dorothy Betts & William A. Nelson. Grove E. Nelson Grove was born in 1920 and except for the years he served as a navigator-bombardier in the Army Air Corps in England during World War II, he lived his entire life in Millard. He attended Millard Schools through the tenth grade (the highest grade Millard offered at that time) and completed his high school education at Benson High School. Grove graduated with a business degree from the University of Nebraska in 1942 and then served in the Army Air Corps. After the war, Grove joined his father at the Farmers State Bank (later the Bank of Millard). After his father's death, he and his brother managed the bank until its sale to Norwest in 1985. Grove supported the Millard schools, served as a school board member in the early 1950s and was instrumental in encouraging the surrounding K-12 school districts to join the Millard System. This scholarship honors Grove's business and civic legacy.

#### **Schools:**

Millard West and Millard South High School

#### **Eligible Students:**

The recipients have enrolled in or plan to major in a business-related program. 3. Successfully completed math and/or business-related courses in high school. 4. Completed at least two years in the Millard Public Schools.

#### **Schools:**

#### **Amount of Scholarship:**

\$2000.00

### **Gloria Baran Memorial Scholarship**

#### **Schools:**

All Millard High Schools

#### **Eligible Students:**

One scholarship will be awarded to a female graduate of any Millard High School who meets the criteria. The student will be planning to enroll in STEM coursework. They shall have



completed two academic years at a Millard High School and be eligible to graduate from a Millard High School by June of this year. Shall have a 3.7 grade point average or higher. Student shall not be related to the Baran family. Student shows academic potential and demonstrates that she will benefit from a post-secondary education.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$1000.00

**Grove E. Nelson Memorial Scholarship**

Grove E. Nelson was born in 1920 and except for the years he served as a navigator-bombardier in the Army Air Corps in England during World War II, he lived his entire life in Millard. He attended Millard Schools through the tenth grade (the highest grade Millard offered at that time) and completed his high school education at Benson High School. Grove graduated with a business degree from the University of Nebraska in 1942 and then served in the Army Air Corps. After the war, Grove joined his father at the Farmers State Bank (later the Bank of Millard). After his father's death, he and his brother managed the bank until its sale to Norwest in 1985. Grove supported the Millard schools, served as a school board member in the early 1950s and was instrumental in encouraging the surrounding K-12 school districts to join the Millard System. This scholarship honors Grove's business and civic legacy.

**Schools:**

Millard South High School

**Eligible Students:**

The recipients must attend a school in the University of Nebraska system. They shall have an academic standing in the upper 33% of their graduating class. They shall have completed at least three years at Millard South High School and be eligible to graduate by June of this year.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$1000.00

**Harold Helme Memorial Scholarship**

**Schools:**

Millard South High School and Millard North High School

**Eligible Students:**

Recipient shall rank in the upper 25% of his or her class, and intend to major in a business-related field.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$300.00

### **Harry Andersen Middle School/Andersen Memorial Scholarship**

Harry and Elizabeth were active in a wide range of business, civic and community activities. Harry coached American Legion baseball teams and served on the town council and they both led 4-H Clubs. He also served as Millard's only elected mayor until it was annexed by Omaha. Harry and Elizabeth were supporters of the Millard Schools.

#### **Schools:**

All Millard High Schools

#### **Eligible Students:**

Shall have an academic standing in the upper half of his/her graduating class. 3. Shall have completed two academic years at Andersen Middle School and be a graduate from one of the four Millard Public High Schools by June of this year.

#### **Amount of Scholarship:**

\$1000.00

### **Holly Sunderman Memorial Scholarship**

Holly Sunderman was the beloved secretary at Reagan Elementary, "The School with Heart," for 10 years. During her time at Reagan, Holly demonstrated "heart" by giving a warm welcome to anyone who entered the building, solving problems with a smile and keeping the school running smoothly day in and day out. Her love for others was evident in the way she interacted with parents, staff and students. Holly knew most students and parents by name, which was just one of her many gifts. Holly was married to Kurt for 20 years and had two boys, Jake and Dan. Her time outside of school was spent cheering her boys on at their baseball and football games. Holly was diagnosed with ovarian cancer in the fall of 2016. While undergoing surgery and treatments, Holly kept her positive attitude and warm personality, fighting the disease bravely with a smile on her face. Holly passed away in October of 2018. She is greatly missed by her family, friends, and her Reagan family. It is the desire of this scholarship to honor the memory of Holly, who touched the lives of so many, by continuing to make a positive impact on the lives of others.

#### **Schools:**

All Millard High Schools

#### **Eligible Students:**

One scholarship will be awarded to one student who attended Reagan Elementary. The scholarship may be used for a post-secondary educational institution of the recipient's choice following proof of enrollment. Or, towards a career-ready trade following proof of employment, or enrollment at a trade school of the recipient's choice. The recipient must

begin attendance at a selected institution or working towards trade-based employment by October in the year of high school graduation.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$1000.00

**Jacob Vaughn Scholarship**

Jake Vaughn was a student at Black Elk Elementary, Beadle Middle School, and Millard West High School where he was involved in sports such as baseball and wrestling. After graduating Millard West in 2022, he continued his education at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. He was an active member of the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity, which opened the door to many academic and career connections to help him excel throughout his career. Jake always knew what he was capable of achieving in his life, but never put his full effort in throughout his high school tenure, due to really not having a full purpose or idea of what he wanted. Once reaching college he found a goal in life, and that was to be someone that people looked up to as a hard-working and high-achieving person. Ever since he stepped foot onto a university campus he excelled, maintaining a 3.8 GPA and making it onto the dean's list each and every semester. He was voted onto the scholarship committee in his fraternity which is used to help members achieve and maintain high GPA to boost their chances towards prized internships and a steady career path. He is still striving in the financial and investment banking world in hopes that he will continue to achieve things that his high school self could have never imagined. This scholarship is offered in Jakes legacy for someone who has a goal or purpose that they hope to prove with their hard work and dedication.

**Schools:**

All Millard High Schools

**Eligible Students:**

Must be scheduled to attend a selected post-secondary educational institution or trade school by October in the year of high school graduation. Must have a GPA of a 3.0 or higher.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$2000.00

**Jan Lehms Unified Sports & Activities Scholarship**

Jan Lehms was a Physical Education teacher and a Coach at Millard West High School from its inception in 1995 to May 2022 (27 years). She was an integral part of the sporting activities at Millard West. Jan served as the head Softball coach for the first four years, reserve Basketball, Intramurals and worked various sporting activities.

Jan started Unified Bowling in 2016 and Unified Track in 2019. These two programs are NSAA recognized sports. The athletes and partners can earn a varsity letter. In Unified Sports, the students practice together and compete against other schools. The program also has a number of Unified activities. Jan exemplifies and believes in the NSAA mission - to promote inclusive activities for all students through meaningful involvement in NSAA educationally based Unified Sports.

Requirements: Must be scheduled to attend a selected post-secondary educational institution or trade school by October in the year of high school graduation. Must have a GPA of 3.0 or higher. Must have participated in Unified Sports or Activities.

\*Preference given to Millard West High School

**Schools:**

All Millard High Schools

**Eligible Students:**

Must be scheduled to attend a selected post-secondary educational institution or trade school by October in the year of high school graduation. Must have a GPA of 3.0 or higher. Must have participated in Unified Sports or Activities.

\*Preference given to Millard West High School

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$1000.00

**Jane Rausch Sandoz Memorial Scholarship**

This scholarship fund is to enable graduates of Millard Public Schools Education Academy to attend universities or colleges that represent the best choice for them. It is for students who will be left with an unbearable amount of student debt upon graduation after exhausting all merit and need-based financial aid. The scholarship will help bridge the financial gap and to help reduce the expected debt to bearable levels. The scholarship is need-based, but also requires acceptable academic performance, both during recipients' time at Millard Public Schools, as well as during college.

**Schools:**

All Millard High Schools

**Eligible Students:**

The scholarship is need-based, but also requires acceptable academic performance, both during recipients' time at Millard Public Schools, as well as during college. The scholarship may be renewed for four years if all eligibility criteria and minimum requirements are met.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$10,000.00 (\$2,500.00 per year for four years)

**Jeffery Koehly Memorial Scholarship**

Jeffery Michael Koehly, better known as Mr. Koehly by the students of Black Elk, loved all children. All three of his own children were the apple of his eye. Jeff had always been drawn to the excitement of children and likewise, children were drawn to his caring and fun-loving personality. Having fun while teaching young minds was truly one of his callings. Jeff also had a passion for serving his country. While still in high school, he joined the US Air Force for four years and then served as a US Marine for five years. He took part in Operation Desert Shield/Desert Storm. Jeff continued to serve his country as a member of the NE Air National Guard while attending UNO to obtain his Bachelor's in Elementary Education. He began teaching at Black Elk in the Fall of 2000. Even while teaching, he served two tours in Iraq. His life was spent focusing on God, family, his country and children of all ages.

**Schools:**

All Millard High Schools

**Eligible Students:**

The scholarship is open to students who attended Black Elk Elementary for at least two years. Shall be able to do college work as demonstrated by an acceptable grade point average of 3.0 or higher on a 4.0 scale. Shall be eligible to graduate from any Millard high school by June of this year. \*No relatives will be eligible to apply.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$1000.00

**Jim Johnston Memorial Scholarship (Millard West Athletic)**

Jim was a teacher, athletic trainer, education advocate, active cyclist, and most importantly a family man. He dedicated his entire career as a science teacher and athletic trainer in Millard. At Millard West Jim inspired young people to pursue futures in healthcare. Jim was instrumental in starting the Student Trainers program in Millard and sponsored Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA) involving his students in American Red Cross blood drives. Jim was a constant presence in the training room and sidelines serving as the athletic trainer at Millard West High School. Some recall his advocacy for the change of licensing laws for athletic trainers in Nebraska schools, or his dedication to student wellness on and off the field, or his passion for teaching. Students remember Jim for his kind, caring, and humorous approach to education and athletics. However, he is most remembered as an inspiration and a friend who had unwavering support and belief in the students and athletes he served. He demonstrated a contagious enthusiasm for all things Millard West. Though only 56 years old

when he was tragically killed during one of his regular bike rides on March 13, 2014, he made a vast impact in the community. Jim married his high school sweetheart, Patty, and had two children, Lindsay and Michael.

**Schools:**

Millard West High School

**Eligible Students:**

The scholarship \$500 each to an Outstanding Female and Male Senior Student Athlete. This award is identified as the Jim Johnston Memorial Scholarship. The scholarship must be used for undergraduate study at an accredited university, college, or other post-secondary educational institution of the recipient's choice. The winner must begin attendance at the selected institution by October in the year of high school graduation.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$500.00

**Julia Ehlers Memorial Scholarship**

**Schools:**

All Millard High Schools

**Eligible Students:**

The scholarship must be used for undergraduate study in a healthcare based academic field at an accredited university, college, or other post-secondary educational institution of the recipient's choice. The recipient must begin attendance at the selected institution by October in the year of high school graduation.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$1500.00

**Kiwanis Club of Southwest Omaha Community Service Scholarship**

Serving the Children of the World" is the goal of this international service organization of volunteers. The Kiwanis Club of Southwest Omaha is one of 13,000 local Kiwanis clubs throughout North America and in more than 80 countries. Kiwanis members strive to identify issues and community needs, with a special emphasis on children, and respond with projects designed to promote the welfare of children and society as a whole. Our club's membership includes men and women from a variety of businesses and professions, as well as retired, who pledge to uphold the ethical and humanitarian goals of Kiwanis and who have a desire and the ability to serve. We volunteer for community service that helps others, such as serving meals at the Open Door Mission, delivering food baskets at Thanksgiving, helping with Special Olympics, and reading with students in elementary reading programs. Kiwanis also

sponsors youth community service clubs, "K-Kids" in elementary, "Builders Clubs" in middle school, "Key Clubs" in high schools, "Circle K" at the collegiate level, and others, all of which teach community service and leadership skills to young people and adults.

**Schools:**

Millard West High School

**Eligible Students:**

The award must be used for study at an accredited two or four-year college/university or a vocational school. The award must be claimed by October of the year the student graduates from High School. Only students who are current members of the Millard West High School Kiwanis Key Club are eligible to apply for this scholarship. Preference will be given to applicants who have been members of the MWHs Key Club for multiple years and whose involvement reflects their commitment to Kiwanis ideals.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$2000.00

**Lauren Klostermann Memorial Scholarship**

Lauren graduated from Millard West in 2002. Her lifelong dream was to be a fashion designer for J Crew in New York. She moved to Dallas in October of 2002 to attend the Art Institute of Dallas and study fashion design. Soon after graduation in 2004, Lauren got her first design job. In 2010, Lauren was diagnosed with colon cancer. After treatment, she decided to take a new direction with her career. She took a job with CURVES, Int. designing their workout wear and various products. She continued to work with her passion until her health worsened in June of 2012. Lauren passed away in November of 2012. Her coworkers and friends remembered her for her zeal and passion for life and her love of fashion. This scholarship is for a student at Millard West who is planning a career in the Fashion Industry.

Special Requirements 1. The applicant should be interested in a pursuing a career in the fashion industry 2. The applicant should be involved and a member of Millard West DECA organization.

**Schools:**

Millard West High School

**Eligible Students:**

The applicant should be interested in pursuing a career in the fashion industry. The applicant should be involved and a member of Millard West DECA organization.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$500.00

### **Lawrence Ehlers Memorial Scholarship**

**Schools:**

All Millard High Schools

**Eligible Students:**

The scholarship must be used for undergraduate study in science, technology, engineering or math (STEM) academic fields at an accredited 4-year university or college of the recipient's choice. The recipient must begin attendance at the selected institution by October in the year of high school graduation.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$1500.00

### **Mark Barb & Tiffany Taylor Scholarship**

The scholarship may be used for post-secondary educational institution following proof of registration into a post-secondary educational institution of the recipient's choice. Or, towards a career-ready trade following proof of employment, training-related registration or registration at a trade school of the recipient's choice. The recipient must begin attendance at a selected institution or working towards trade-based employment by October in the year of high school graduation. One scholarship with a value of \$1,000 will be awarded to one student from Millard North High School with a verified learning disability, or differently abled physically or mentally, or has an Individualized Education Program (IEP).

### **Marty Going Memorial Scholarship**

Marty Going's life centered around education and athletics. After playing baseball and football at Wayne State College, he devoted his life to teaching and coaching. He was hired by Millard Public Schools to teach Social Studies and to be the first football coach at Millard South in 1981. In his subsequent 24 years at Millard South, before he retired in 2005, Marty taught Government/Civics and Physical Education classes. He was instrumental in developing the weight training program, and served as Assistant Activities Director, where he had a passion for mentoring student athletes. Coach Going was known for his hard work, organizational skills, and sense of humor, including good-natured teasing. He had high expectations for his students and had a special way of encouraging his athletes each to "Play Like a Champion."

**Schools:**

Millard South High School

**Eligible Students:**



Graduate of Millard South, who has completed at least 2 years at Millard South. Must be a student athlete. Must have a 2.75 GPA or higher. Special consideration given for financial need.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$1000.00

**Michelle Edmundson Memorial Scholarship**

Michelle Edmundson was a Social Studies Teacher at Millard North High School. Throughout her time at Millard North, she taught several different Social Studies classes including U.S. History, IB History, International Relations, Geography and AP World Geography. Her favorite class to teach was Geography. She was very well known for bringing Geography alive for students due to her passion for the course.

In 2015 Michelle was diagnosed with stage 3C Breast Cancer. Over the 2015-16 school year she underwent treatment for the disease. She endured a mastectomy as well as months of chemotherapy and radiation treatment. She went through all of this while still teaching full time. While that year was a big struggle for Michelle, due to her amazing strength and determination, she was able to continue teaching with very minimal time away from the classroom. At the end of that year, she was declared to have no evidence of disease. Unfortunately, about two years later Michelle's disease returned. During the 2021-22 school year she endured many setbacks and had to be hospitalized several times due to her disease. In fall of 2022, after teaching for the first month of the school year, Michelle made the very tough decision to step away from teaching as a result of her disease. In October of 2022, after being on hospice for two months, Michelle passed. Michelle is survived by her son Aiden and her husband Brad.

For seven years Michelle fought her disease with amazing strength and will and a strong faith in God above. Her biggest concern during that time was always her family but also her students. She was very passionate about her students and what she was teaching. She was also very passionate about supporting other women and families that were also fighting her horrible disease. The Michelle Edmundson Memorial Scholarship is meant to bring those passions together. This scholarship is offered in Michelle's legacy to any student that is working to overcome either a past or present cancer diagnosis of a parent.

**Schools:**

All Millard High Schools

**Eligible Students:**

Must have a parent that has been diagnosed with cancer.

1. Must have a GPA of 3.0 or higher.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$1000.00

**Millard Education Association Scholarship****Schools:**

All Millard High Schools

**Eligible Students:**

One \$1,000.00 scholarship will be awarded annually to a graduate of each of the three Millard High Schools. The applicant has a parent or legal guardian that belongs to the Millard Education Association and is an education major. The applicant has a parent or legal guardian that belongs to the Millard Education Association and is not an education major. The applicant is an education major. Shall have a 3.0 grade point average, or higher, at the end of the first semester of the senior year.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$1000.00

**MNHS Partners for Education**

One scholarship with a value of \$500 may be awarded annually.

Shall have been enrolled in Millard North High School for the junior and senior years of high school and be eligible to be graduated from Millard North High School by June of this year.

Must be willing to participate in a job shadowing experience.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$500.00

**MNHS Speech & Drama Scholarship**

Mr. Terry Peterson was a beloved teacher at Millard North for 24 years, building award-winning Speech and Drama Programs from the ground up. Mr. Peterson's students went on to earn National and State Championships and produce professional-level Theatrical Productions. Mr. Peterson's emphasis on always being well-rehearsed and fully prepared earned his MNHS teams a reputation for excellence and a humble self-confidence. Mr. Peterson had a true love of teaching and spent most of his free time editing speeches, building scenery and driving teams to speech tournaments across the Midwest. His students worked hard because they knew he believed in their potential and always gave them that tap on the head and a "Baca, Baca" (*Good Luck*) to show his support. Whether it's a career on

Broadway, Government, Military, Journalism, or as Teachers, his students have all taken the skills and habits they learned through Mr. Peterson's Speech and Drama Department to excel as adults.

Must have participated in at least two years of forensics, drama or technical theatre.

**Schools:** Millard North High School

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$500.00

**Mustang Booster Club Scholarship**

The number of awards and dollar amount of each scholarship will be determined by the Millard North High School Mustang Booster club each year. Parent(s) of student must be a current member of Mustang Booster Club.

**Amount of Scholarship:** Amount of the award will be determined by the Mustang Booster Club.

**Millard South Athletic Booster Club Scholarship**

The scholarship may be used for post-secondary education, following verification of enrollment in a post-secondary educational institution of the recipient's choice. Or, towards a career-ready trade following proof of employment, training-related registration or registration at a trade school of the recipient's choice. The recipient must begin attendance at a selected institution or working towards trade-based employment by October in the year of high school graduation. Two scholarships with a value of \$1,000 each will be awarded to two student athletes (female and male) from Millard South High School.

**Schools:** Millard South High School

**Amount of Scholarship:** \$1000.00

**Nancy Anderson Memorial Scholarship**

Nancy S. Anderson had life-long ties to Millard Public Schools. Nancy attended Norris Elementary School, Central Middle School, and Millard South High School graduating in 1988. After earning her undergraduate degree from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Nancy began her career as a social sciences teacher at Millard North High School where she remained for 25 years. A life-long learner, Nancy also earned a master's degree in secondary education from Doane University.

As a teacher, Nancy was an advocate for doing what was right especially for her students and co-workers. Colleagues describe her as happy, loyal, steadfast, amazingly honest, and a strong teacher. One peer said of Nancy, "You couldn't help but admire anyone who worked so hard to teach her students." Nancy sponsored student activities such as UNICEF, History Club trips, and spent hours after school helping students in the study center. Nancy's door was always open for students, for teachers, for friends.

Nancy was a Mustang through and through; her two children both graduated from Millard North in 2018 and 2020. To friends and family, Nancy was dependable, loving, and tenacious with a distinctive laugh remembered fondly by all who knew her. It is hard to estimate how many lives Nancy touched as a teacher, mentor, and friend. True to her nature, Nancy gave a final, selfless gift to those in need through the donation of her organs.

**Schools:**

Millard North High School

**Eligible Students:**

The scholarship may be used for post-secondary educational institution following proof of registration into a post-secondary educational institution of the recipient's choice. Or, towards a career-ready trade following proof of employment, training-related registration, or registration at a trade school of the recipient's choice. The recipient must begin attendance at a selected institution or working towards trade-based employment by October in the year of high school graduation.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$1000.00

**Nancy A. Yaley Memorial Scholarship**

Nancy began her career teaching fifth grade at Harvey Oaks Elementary in 1979. In 1987, she moved to Andersen Middle School where she served as a sixth-grade teacher, Reading Department head, and an energetic member of the building activity program until her death in February 1995. Nancy was an enthusiastic, inspirational, and positive role model. It is her family's hope that this scholarship will provide a young person an opportunity to teach, reach out and touch others as Nancy did.

Graduates of any of the Millard Public High Schools are eligible for this scholarship. 2. The scholarship must be used ONLY FOR TEACHER EDUCATION AT UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA AT LINCOLN. 3. Shall have an academic standing in the upper half of the graduating class and have the academic ability to benefit from an educational experience beyond high school.

**Schools:**

All Millard High Schools

**Eligible Students:**

Graduates of any of the Millard Public High Schools are eligible for this scholarship. The scholarship must be used ONLY FOR TEACHER EDUCATION AT UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA AT LINCOLN. Shall have an academic standing in the upper half of the graduating class and have the academic ability to benefit from an educational experience beyond high school.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$1000.00

**Pam Butcher MNHS Scholarship**

Pam Butcher is a dedicated Millard North High School (MNHS) science teacher (and one of the originals). She spent all of her 32-year teaching career at Millard North High School, first as Millard High Level 1, then as Millard North High School. Even into her retirement, Pam continues to maintain a deep connection to all who proudly consider themselves Mustangs. This scholarship is her way to give back to the MNHS staff by way of their graduating seniors. Pam believes that MNHS produces both career and college-ready individuals and that some sort of post high school training or education is essential for obtaining a good career. Most importantly, she finds the pursuit of a trade every bit as important as college, thus this scholarship is open to both and not limited to the college bound student only.

**Schools:**

Millard North High School

**Eligible Students:**

The scholarship may be used for post-secondary educational institution following proof of enrollment into a post-secondary educational institution of the recipient's choice. Or, towards a career-ready trade following proof of employment, training-related registration or enrollment at a trade school of the recipient's choice. The recipient must begin attendance at a selected institution or working towards trade-based employment by October in the year of high school graduation. Three scholarships with a value of \$1,000 each will be awarded to three students from Millard North High School who parents or grandparents are currently employed (inclusive of all paid, full-time staff) at Millard North High School.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$1000.00

**Pamela K. Breci Memorial Scholarship**

Pam Brecki was an educator of unequalled energy and commitment. She devoted nearly her entire teaching career to students at Millard North High School, from 1980 until her untimely death in 1999. With a B.S. in Special Education from Kearney State College and an M.S. from the University of Nebraska–Omaha, Pam’s unique talent was teaching mathematics and reading to special education students. She met each day with joy and enthusiasm; her lively spirit modeled for students and colleagues that learning and teaching are fun. Pam challenged all of her students to do their best and never stopped believing in them even when they didn’t believe in themselves. Pam showed great courage and determination in her fight against colon cancer, learning all she could about this disease and continuing to educate others about health and healing. When she knew she could not be cured, Pam planned this memorial scholarship to offer hope and encouragement to a graduating senior who has lost a family member in death, someone who hopefully will carry on the work she began as a teacher. It has been said that “we teach who we are.” Pam Brecki taught patience, perseverance, enthusiasm and self-confidence. She was truly a special teacher because she believed that all students could learn and was not satisfied until they did.

**Schools:**

All Millard High Schools

**Eligible Students:**

Shall have lost at least one parent or sibling through death, or applicant shall be a cancer patient or cancer survivor. Preference given to applicants who plan to pursue a career as a teacher, especially those who intend to teach special education. Must NOT be related to the Brecki family. At the discretion of the selection committee, this award may be renewed for subsequent years.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$1000.00

**Pamela K. Brecki Technical School Scholarship**

Pam Brecki was an educator of unequalled energy and commitment. She devoted nearly her entire teaching career to students at Millard North High School, from 1980 until her untimely death in 1999. With a B.S. in Special Education from Kearney State College and an M.S. from the University of Nebraska–Omaha, Pam’s unique talent was teaching mathematics and reading to special education students. She met each day with joy and enthusiasm; her lively spirit modeled for students and colleagues that learning and teaching are fun. Pam challenged all of her students to do their best and never stopped believing in them even when they didn’t believe in themselves. Pam showed great courage and determination in her fight against colon cancer, learning all she could about this disease and continuing to educate others about health and healing. When she knew she could not be cured, Pam planned this memorial scholarship to offer hope and encouragement to a graduating senior who has lost a family member in death, someone who hopefully will carry on the work she began as a teacher. It has been said that “we teach who we are.” Pam Brecki taught patience,

perseverance, enthusiasm, and self-confidence. She was truly a special teacher because she believed that all students could learn and was not satisfied until they did.

**Schools:**

All Millard High Schools

**Eligible Students:**

The scholarship must be used towards a career-ready trade following proof of employment, training-related registration, or enrollment at a trade school of the recipient's choice. The recipient must begin attendance at a selected institution or working towards trade-based employment by October in the year of high school graduation. The recipient shows respect and good character in all involved areas. Shall have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.5 at the end of the first semester of their senior year. Shall have completed two academic years at a Millard Public Schools high school and be eligible to graduate by June of this year.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$1000.00

**Rhonda Bishop Memorial Scholarship**

**Schools:**

All Millard High Schools

**Eligible Students:**

Intends to pursue a career as a teacher.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$

**Rick and Bonnie Kolowski Educator Scholarship**

As long-time educators, Rick and Bonnie Kolowski know the value of a well-trained educator. Rick Kolowski was an educator for 41 years. He began his career as a Teacher, Department Head, Assistant Principal, Curriculum Director, and spent his last 15 years as the Founding Principal at Millard West High School. Bonnie Kolowski spent 21 years in the Millard Public Schools as a Teacher, Assistant Principal and Principal of both Hitchcock and Neihardt Elementary Schools. The Kolowski Scholarship will be awarded to a deserving student in the Education Academy at Millard West High School. This Scholarship is ONLY for a Career in Education - Education Academy Students

**Schools:**

Millard West High School

**Eligible Students:**

One scholarship for \$1,000.00 will be awarded to a Millard West High School graduate who intends to pursue a career as a teacher.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$1000.00

**Rob Wennstedt Outstanding Swimmer/Diver Scholarship**

This scholarship is given as a thank you for Rob Wennstedt's many years of coaching and dedication at Millard South, where he served as head boys and girls swim coach for 27 years and also taught Physical Education and ran the Learn to Swim Program. Rob valued hard work, being a team player and striving to reach personal goals. An outstanding swimmer doesn't necessarily mean being the swimmer with the fastest time, but rather being the one who shows great team support, works hard and strives to meet personal goals.

**Schools:**

Millard South High School

**Eligible Students:**

Two \$1000.00 scholarships will be awarded: One to a male Millard South Swim Team member AND one to a female Millard South Swim Team member. The scholarship is a one-time award per graduate. Applicant shall have attended Millard South High School at the time of graduation and have participated in Millard South High School's swim team during his or her senior year. They also shall have qualified to be a letter winner.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$1000.00

**Robert and Barbara Anderson Memorial Scholarship**

**Schools:**

All Millard High Schools

**Eligible Students:**

Student applicants shall have completed three academic years in the Millard School system and be eligible to graduate at the end of the current school year unless parents are active duty military. This scholarship is open to students with a 3.0 or higher GPA. Student must have the intent to further their education in a trade school.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$1000.00



**Robert Offerjost Memorial Scholarship**

Rob, or "Robbo" as many knew him, attended schools in the Millard area and was active in many extracurricular activities, especially sports. After graduating from Millard in 1979, he went to work in the automotive industry and received an associate's degree in Auto Mechanics. Rob enjoyed working with learning disabled children and had developed his own clown act, which he performed for area charities. It's fitting that the scholarship be given to students who themselves are learning disabled.

**Schools:**

All Millard High Schools

**Eligible Students:**

The applicant is currently or has been diagnosed as a special learning-disabled student and has had success in the program, or the student has experienced academic difficulty during some part of his/her schooling years. Shall have completed two academic years in the Millard School System. Must NOT be related to the Robert Offerjost family.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$500.00

**Robert Stewart Mueller Memorial Scholarship**

Robert Mueller was a senior at Millard North High School. School was a challenge for Robert because of learning disability and generalized anxieties. Teachers enjoyed having Robert in their classroom because he was well mannered and respectful. Robert was fun and always able to bring a smile to your face. He brought a special energy to those around him. No matter who you were, he would not hesitate to speak to you. Robert was an Eagle Scout and active in his church. Even with his anxieties he was able to speak in front of large groups. Robert took his own life before he was able to graduate. Though he never had the chance to use the skills and knowledge he acquired in his short life, our hope is that someone else may have this opportunity.

**Schools:**

Millard North High School

**Eligible Students:**

The Applicant is currently or has been diagnosed with a verified learning disability and has had success in the program. Shall have completed two academic years at Millard North High School and be eligible to graduate from Millard North High School by June of this year.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$1000.00

**Ron Witt Memorial Scholarship**

Ron Witt, Ed.D., devoted his entire professional career to Millard Public Schools. By the time of his retirement in 1995, Dr. Witt had given 37 years to our schools. His first assignment was teaching social studies and coaching all sports. In 1963, he was appointed principal at Norris and Cody Elementary schools. Before becoming Superintendent of Schools in 1989, he served as K-12 Curriculum Director, Assistant Superintendent and Associate Superintendent. The Millard Public Schools Foundation honors his dedication to education by awarding this scholarship to a senior planning to pursue a career in education.

**Schools:**

All Millard High Schools

**Eligible Students:**

Applicant shall have an academic standing in the upper 25% of his/her class and be able to benefit from an educational experience after graduation. They shall have completed two academic years in the Millard School System and be eligible to graduate from a Millard High School by June of this year. Intends to pursue a career in Education (teacher, administrator, counselor, etc).

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$1000.00

**MPSF Scholarship of Excellence****Schools:**

All Millard High Schools

**Eligible Students:**

One scholarship for \$1,000.00 will be awarded to a recipient from each of the Millard Public High Schools. The student shall rank in the top 10% of their graduating class. The student shall have attended at least two years of his/her schooling in the Millard School District, including the senior year. The student should have a minimum test score of 26 on the ACT composite or 1150 total on the SAT. Consideration will be given to the student involved in a unique educational program which identifies the degree of difficulty. Supplemental consideration will be given for honor classes, advanced placement and/or college level courses. The student has made an outstanding contribution to school-related activities. The student has demonstrated leadership qualities. The student has demonstrated excellent cooperation, rapport, and communications skills with peers and teachers. The student has expressed creative talent and potential.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$1000.00

**Susan D. Cropper Memorial Scholarship****Schools:**

Millard North High School

**Eligible Students:**

Two \$600.00 scholarships may be awarded. Applicant shall be academically able to benefit from a continuing education experience after graduation but need not be in the upper 1/3 of the graduating class. They shall have attended Millard North High School for at least two years and must be eligible to graduate from Millard North High School by June of this year. Must demonstrate a verifiable financial need.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$600.00

**Ted White Memorial Scholarship**

Ted White lived most of his life in the Millard area. In his younger years, he worked on a farm then moved to the city where he worked in a lumber yard. Eventually, Ted worked at Western Electric while starting his own sprinkler business. While doing all this, he bought a lot in Millard, designed his own house, and built it on his own when he had time between jobs. Working with his hands is what Ted enjoyed. At the same time, he also enjoyed helping others. Ted belonged to the Legion Post in Millard for many years. He was involved with keeping the Legion up and running as much as he could. Ted would help design and relocate the Post to a new building to keep up with its growing demands. When Ted passed, he donated his restored panel van to be raffled off as a fundraiser for the Post. He also gave them his leisure van to be used for funerals. Before Ted passed, he had one more request. He wanted to help students in the Millard Public Schools with a scholarship to help those going into a trade, which he loved to do.

**Schools:**

All Millard High Schools

**Eligible Students:**

This scholarship is to be awarded annually to one student who intends to use the funds toward tuition and other school related program costs at a trade-based institution. They shall have a GPA of at least 2.5 at the end of the first semester of their senior year.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$5,000.00

### **Tanner Farrell Memorial Scholarship**

Tanner was a friend to so many. He had an infectious smirk and a great sense of humor. His caring and compassionate heart is what drew people to Tanner.

Tanner's love for sports was obvious to all who had the pleasure of watching him compete in baseball and basketball. Through sports, Tanner met a lot of his closest friends. He enjoyed competing in high school against former teammates from other schools.

He enjoyed fishing, golfing, building puzzles, gaming and playing board games with family and friends. Tanner enjoyed traveling while playing sports or taking vacations. Colorado was one of his

favorite places to visit, as he loved the mountains. He also loved looking at the moon and sharing pictures with family.

Even though Tanner is gone at a young age, he will never be forgotten. His legacy will continue, through providing ongoing scholarships. Baseball tournaments and golf outings will continue to provide funds to the scholarship.

#### **Schools:**

All Millard High Schools

#### **Eligible Students:**

Must be scheduled to attend a selected post-secondary educational institution or trade school by October in the year of high school graduation.

Must have a GPA of 3.0 or higher.

#### **Amount of Scholarship:**

\$1,000.00

### **Terry Black Memorial Scholarship**

Terry A. Black was a student at Millard Public Schools from 1962 until his high school graduation in 1975. During his time at Millard, he attended kindergarten at Central Elementary until Bryan Elementary opened in the fall of 1963. He attended junior high at Central Junior

High where he loved all sports and was on the wrestling team. Terry had a love for music, and he taught himself to play the guitar and had a strong singing voice. Terry was on the wrestling team in his early years at Millard South High School and was active in concert choir, mixed ensemble and participated in Guys and Dolls musical, directed by Mike Janis, choral director. He was an excellent student and excelled in math. After graduation Terry attended Nettleton School of Business College and he majored in accounting. He had a long successful career at First Data Resources in the settlement department from 1978 until his retirement in June of 2019.

Terry and his brothers loved to sing, and the quartet performed together for 50 years at weddings, funerals and loved performing a “sermon in song” at various churches throughout the community. He loved spending time with his family. Terry’s siblings are so proud to continue his legacy with the future generations of Millard South graduates.

**Schools:**

Millard South High School

**Eligible Students:**

The scholarship may be used for a post-secondary educational institution following proof of enrollment in a post-secondary educational institution of the recipient’s choice. Or, towards a career-ready trade following proof of employment, training-related registration, or enrollment at a trade school of the recipient’s choice. The recipient must begin attendance at a selected institution or working towards trade-based employment by October in the year of high school graduation. Preference to a student who attended Bryan Elementary School.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$1,000.00

**Terry Eicher Memorial Scholarship**

Terry Eicher was a gifted educator who spent his entire career in Millard (1969 – 2007), beginning at Central Junior High, then moving to Millard North High School. Terry’s ability to teach and bring history alive was a gift that he shared in the classroom and in life. When he died in 2018, his former colleagues and friends formed a scholarship in his memory to be awarded each year to a senior history student at Millard North High School.

**Schools:**

Millard North High School

**Eligible Students:**

A student must have a 3.0 GPA. Student shall demonstrate his or her intention to pursue a course of study in the field of History. Strong consideration for students in AP History. Students shall have attended and graduated from Millard North High School.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$1,000.00

**Wildcat Wrestling Scholarship****Schools:**

Millard West High School

**Eligible Students:**

Two \$500.00 scholarships will be awarded to two senior Varsity Wrestlers. The scholarship is a one-time award per graduate. Shall have competed for the Millard West Varsity Wrestling Team and completed the season. Must have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher. Must be attending a 2 or 4-year Institution. Must maintain a 2.5 GPA during the first semester of college. Must be returning for the second semester at that same institution.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$500.00

**Tim Royers Scholarship**

Tim Royers graduated from Millard West High School in 2003 and returned to teach at his alma mater from 2007 to 2020. Tim spent his entire teaching career at West, helping coach the debate team to five consecutive state championships (2010-2014) and teaching several courses in the Social Studies department. Tim came to realize that his most important responsibility as a teacher was being a good mentor who could guide and support students as they determined their next steps in life. Knowing the potential that all Millard West graduates possess, Tim wanted to find a way to continue to support students after his time in the building came to an end. This scholarship is his way to continue supporting the graduating seniors as they begin their post-secondary pursuits. Knowing that there are many exciting opportunities after high school, this scholarship is not limited to college bound students only.

**Eligible Students:**

The scholarship may be used for a post-secondary educational institution of the recipient's choice, or towards a career-ready trade following proof of employment, training-related registration, or registration at a trade school of the recipient's choice. The recipient must begin attendance at a selected institution or working towards trade-based employment by October in the year of high school graduation. One scholarship with a value of \$1,000 each will be awarded to a student from Millard West High School. Preference will be given to students who were enrolled in one of the following classes (or, was in Mr. Royers Quality Time

(homeroom)): World Geography, Law Studies, US Government, AP European History, World History, and AP World History.

**Schools:**

Millard West High School

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$1,000.00

**William A. Nelson Memorial Scholarship**

Bill was born August 6, 1933 and lived his entire life in the Millard community. A devoted family man and active community leader, Bill graduated from The University of Nebraska, served in the US Army and attended one year of Creighton Law School before coming back to work at the Bank of Millard with his father, GE Nelson, and brother, Grove Nelson. This scholarship was established by his wife, Norma, and their children: Clark, Catherine and Mary, to support and assist a young adult in developing their leadership skills while earning a business degree at the University of Nebraska.

**Schools:**

Millard South High School

**Eligible Students:**

The recipient should have completed math and business-related courses while in high school. The recipient should be a graduate of Millard South High School. The recipient must attend college at either The University of Nebraska-Lincoln or The University of Nebraska-Omaha. The recipient should plan to enroll in a business-related college program.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$2500.00

**William Schlichtemeier M.D. Nursing Scholarship**

**Schools:**

Millard North High School

**Eligible Students:**

The scholarship must be used for undergraduate study at an accredited university or college in the Omaha/Lincoln metropolitan area of the recipient's choice. The award winner must begin attendance at the selected institution by October in the year of high school graduation. Intends to pursue a major in Nursing. Shall have an academic standing in the upper 50% of the graduating class. Shall have completed two full academic years at Millard North High School.

**Amount of Scholarship:**

\$500.00