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2023-24 SCHOLARSHIP AWARD APPLICATION

Purpose and Criteria: The teaching profession has long been considered one of the most rewarding and fulfilling careers. It is also one that has changed dramatically in the past 20 years. Modern day teaching encompasses much more than simply the dissemination of knowledge. With the enactment of the *Every Student Succeeds Act* legislation, all educators are now called upon to strive harder and more fervently to assure that every student is afforded the opportunity to succeed in our schools. At no other time in our history has accountability to students, their parents and the public been greater. The bar has never been set higher than it is now.

The intent of this association is to award a monetary scholarship to **at least one deserving student from a Cambria County high school that aspires to enter the field of education.**

We applaud and welcome your decision to become an educator and wish you all the best in this life-long, career endeavor.

The following is the criteria for completion of the award application.

The applicant must:

1). Have attained a combined QPA of 3.5 or better or a 93% or better (at the application deadline)

2). Have applied to a four-year degree program in education

(The scholarship will be awarded after acceptance is verified and will be paid to the recipient but not before September 1st of the first semester) 3). Submit (2) letters of recommendation (1–Teacher and

1-Administration/Counselor)

4). On a separate paper, complete a (300) three hundred-word essay on the following topic:

"Describe the most important qualities of a great teacher."

NOTE: THIS ESSAY SHOULD BE GENERATED IN <u>MS WORD or</u> <u>GOOGLE DOCS</u>, USING <u>TIMES NEW ROMAN</u>, <u>12 POINT TYPE</u> AND <u>DOUBLE SPACED</u>. Also, we ask that you <u>do not personalize your essay</u> by naming teachers, counselors, etc. from your school.

PLEASE PLACE YOUR NAME AND SCHOOL IN THE TOP, LEFT-HAND CORNER OF YOUR ESSAY. ATTACH YOUR COMPLETED ESSAY TO THIS SHEET BEFORE SUBMITTING.

(OVER) (PERSONAL INFORMATION - PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY OR TYPE)

Name:
Address:
Parent(s)/Guardian(s):
Phone:
High School / School District:
Educational Concentration:
College/University:
Your Current QPA:
We verify that the above information provided is correct to the best of our abilities.
Applicant's Signature:
Principal/Counselor's Signature:
EMAIL your application materials to: csantini@cencam.org

(Application Deadline: April 19, 2024)