

## 2023 Robin Wheaton Memorial Scholarship Fund Application



The **Robin Wheaton Memorial Scholarship Fund** was created after Columbia Central graduates, Brooke Morgan and Tayler Schirmer, lost their father Robin to death by suicide in August 2022. Robin was actively involved with the Golden Eagles' Competitive Cheerleading team well past the years his daughters were involved with the program (2009-2016). He was called the "Cheer Paparazzi," due to always being behind a camera lens and documenting the entire athletic season and cheer events during his free time. Robin also loved to help with home events and fundraising efforts, including sponsoring a few cheerleaders who could not afford to attend cheer camp during the summer. Many people described him as caring, loving, and selfless;

he always put others before himself. His family would like to continuously honor him and his memory by giving to others as he did.

A \$1,000 scholarship is offered to a graduating senior who is enrolled at Columbia Central High School. At this time this is a one-time monetary award, but with potential for future scholarships with continued fundraising. There is potential for an additional scholarship recipient—pending as of 1/17/23. If an additional scholarship will be awarded for 2023, the additional recipient will be notified by phone or email.



To qualify, students must be a 2023 graduating senior, have a grade point average of 3.0 and above, plan on attending college full-time starting Fall 2023, submit two letters of recommendation (one of which needs to be from a high school teacher or counselor), and write an essay on one of the following:

- Describe a life challenge which has had an impact on your mental/emotional well-being and has contributed to your high school experience.
- What is resilience? Define how you are resilient and what contributed toward your resiliency. How can you help others learn to be resilient?
- Tell us about an organization, cause, or charity that means a lot to you and why. How have you contributed toward bringing awareness to this cause?

The scholarship recipient must submit a copy of their acceptance letter from the college they plan to attend for the 2023-2024 school year. All applicants should complete the following information and attach their college letter of acceptance, essay, and letters of recommendation to this application and mail or email it to the scholarship review person(s) by May 12, 2023.

Please mail or email to:

Brooke Morgan

135 Montebello St SE

Kentwood, MI 49548

Email: [wheat2bn@gmail.com](mailto:wheat2bn@gmail.com)

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Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian(s) Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Field of Study and degree you plan on pursuing: \_\_\_\_\_

College you plan on attending: \_\_\_\_\_

The letters of recommendation should describe the applicant's inspirational dedication to overcoming challenging life experiences related to their mental/emotional well-being and why the applicant should receive this award.

Counselor's signature verifying GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

Counselor's contact # or email: \_\_\_\_\_

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