

# Mary Pat Collins Memorial Scholarship Application

## Scholarship Details

Award Amount: ..... \$500  
# Scholarships Offered: ..... 1  
Application Deadline: ..... March 5, 2018  
Winners Notified at: ..... April 23, 2018  
(Honors Night)

## Scholarship Criteria

- Must be enrolled in a 2- or 4- year college or university and must be pursuing a career in education
- Applicants must have a minimum G.P.A. of 3.0.
- Applicants must submit one letter of recommendation from a staff member

## About this Scholarship

Mary Pat Collins was a lifetime educator in the Minooka area for over 33 years. She began her teaching career in the Grundy County Rural Schools, teaching first at the Cryder School and then the Dresden Hill School. She concluded her teaching career at the Channahon School District where she taught first and second grade until 1986. Her teaching career did not terminate with her retirement. She continued to be an active substitute teacher and found other avenues in which to help out in the local community.

Her passion for teaching was instilled upon her daughter and two of her granddaughters. Her daughter and her husband (Beth and Terry McDonald) spent their teaching career in the Channahon School system. Her oldest granddaughter, Michelle Walker, is currently a second grade teacher in Channahon. Her other granddaughter, Megan Goolsby, is a fifth grade teacher in Minooka. Mary Pat's daughter-in-law Mindy Collins is also a teacher.

Through this scholarship the family wishes to continue a student's passion for education by providing this scholarship fund.

## **APPLICANT INFORMATION - PLEASE PRINT**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender:  Male  Female Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
Primary Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

## **COLLEGE PLANS**

College Planning to Attend: \_\_\_\_\_ Major: \_\_\_\_\_ Minor: \_\_\_\_\_  
Have you applied?:  Yes  No  
Have you been accepted?:  Yes  No

## **ESSAY COMPONENT OF APPLICATION**

1. On an attached sheet, please explain why you are pursuing a career in education (500 words - maximum).
2. On an attached sheet, please explain how you plan to fulfill your short-term and long-term goals as an educator (500 words - maximum).

## **COMPLETED APPLICATIONS**

Please return your completed application to Mrs. Fairbairn at MCHS - South Campus District Office no later than March 5, 2018. The winner of this scholarship will be invited to Honors Night on April 23, 2018. Scholarship money will be paid directly to the student for educational purposes upon verified enrollment as a full-time college student.