

Background

This \$1000 scholarship is offered in loving memory of Howard T. Carolan Jr. and Karen R. Carolan, longtime residents of Howard County. Mr. and Mrs. Carolan are survived by their children Howard T. Carolan III, and Chelsea Carolan, both graduates of Centennial High School. Mr. Carolan worked for 24 years as Senior Counsel for the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission and Mrs. Carolan served the community as an attorney through her own private practice.

For nearly 15 years, Mr. Carolan worked tirelessly in the Howard County Youth Program (HCYP). He served as baseball and basketball coach, baseball league commissioner, and president of HCYP, INC. Through his many HCYP activities, he was able to combine his commitment to children with his love for sports. He was dedicated to teaching good sportsmanship and team play to the youth of Howard County. Many children have benefited from his dedication to youth sports and his contributions and volunteer efforts to HCYP. Mrs. Carolan extolled the principles of friendship, kindness, fairness, and democracy throughout her personal and professional life. She was an integral part of her tennis team, her community, and her family.

Both Howard and Karen believed education was an essential virtue for an individual and a society, and it is in that spirit that this scholarship is offered.

Guidelines

Applicants for the Karen and Howard Carolan Scholarship Fund must:

1. Have participated in the Howard County Youth Program.
2. Plan to attend a two- or four-year college/university or trade school.
3. Submit an essay of no more than 500 words that covers the following topics:
 - a. Educational Plans
 - b. Career Goals
 - c. Details about the person who has had the most influence in your life.
4. Complete attached Teacher Evaluation.
5. Complete attached HCYP Coach Evaluation.
6. Provide a copy of your official high school transcript.
7. Be accepted at an accredited institution.
8. If the student selected for this scholarship is awarded a full scholarship subsequent to this award, the scholarship will be re-awarded to the runner-up candidate.

Evaluation Criteria

All applications will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

1. Teacher Evaluation.
2. HCYP Coach Evaluation
3. Student Essay
4. Transcript.

DEADLINE: Applications must be submitted to the school guidance counselor by _____.