

Mattawan Public Education Foundation
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Taylor E. Grainger Memorial Scholarship
\$500

Taylor Grainger passed away on May 15, 2007, at age 14 after a life-long battle with a congenital heart defect. Taylor had a kind soul and a loving heart. Taylor always enjoyed being around people. She applied her ever-present creativity and imagination to everything she did. Taylor considered many careers, but choices that centered on working with children or involved helping others were at the top of her list. No matter what her eventual choice might have been, she would have done it with extreme effort and a smile on her face.

The Taylor E. Grainger scholarship will be awarded to a graduating senior of Mattawan High School who has demonstrated and pursued an interest in the service of others by way of volunteering in the community or by working children with or without special needs. Examples of this service to others may include but is not limited to: Habitat for Humanity, food drives, elderly assistance programs, church mission trips, working at specialty camps, etc. The scholarship is intended to assist graduating seniors in pursuit of a college education particularly in the fields of education, medicine or social work. Graduating senior must have at least a 3.2 grade point average to apply.

Complete the application in the format shown. No handwritten applications will be accepted. Submit four copies of all pages of your application, blacking out your name everywhere it appears on the reference forms and letters. Your application will not be accepted without four copies.

Application Form (Available from Senior Seminar Instructor or on MPEF website)

Essay Type written/12pt font/double spaced/2 page maximum

Please use the following criteria for your essay:

- Community service you have been involved
- Your reflection on the experiences and what you have learned
- Your thoughts on why you deserve this scholarship
- College course of study
- Please indicate academic grade point (must be at least 3.2)

Character Reference

Enclose two character references from someone outside your family, including group leader, advisor, coach, pastor, employer, etc. (Please include their address and phone number on each letter.) Please do not include more than one reference from a teacher. Teachers should use the evaluation form provide.