

# **Carol Sanderfoot Memorial Scholarship**

**"Mathematics** is not about numbers, equations, computations or algorithms: it is about understanding."

-William Paul Thurston

# **Background:**

This scholarship was established by the family of Carol Sanderfoot in honor of her love of teaching, family, math and fun. Carol came to teaching math at Appleton North High School since the year it opened; after being a stay-at-home mom, a classroom volunteer, a paid teacher's aide and a master's degree college student. Carol was devoted to her students; she came in early and stayed late to help struggling students through math classes. Carol believed in celebrating Pi-day (3/14) like a national holiday. She was made into a collector of rubber duckies by her students due to a tragic duck accident one summer. She was always doing her best to ensure student success and was determined to solve every math problem before she taught it so she would be ready for class; there was not a day that the kitchen table was not covered in eraser dust.

In April 2007 Carol was diagnosed with Multiple Myeloma. She fought a valiant battle against this very aggressive form of bone cancer like she did everything else, with dignity, kindness, and

humor. Many of her fondest times were working as a yearbook editor with staff and students. Carol loved watching her grandkids in gymnastics and hockey games. Her daughter made it possible for her to fulfill a huge life goal to ride the Zamboni at a St. Norbert's playoff hockey game. Her grandkids knew the hallways of North as well as any senior and her grandson was sad to realize he could not attend kindergarten there. This scholarship is to ensure her joy and love of teaching lives on. She did not believe you had to be the smartest or best student to be successful, in fact she never felt she was. She knew you just needed passion and hard work.

# **Eligibility:** (taken into consideration to determine recipients)

- Graduating seniors from Appleton North High School
- Planning to attend a public accredited technical school, college, or university as a full-time or part-time student, pursuing a degree or certificate in a STEM (science, technology, engineering, or math) field
- Minimum cumulative 2.0 GPA
- Financial need will be considered

### **Award Amount:**

Two \$1,500 non-renewable scholarship awards for tuition and book expenses, payable for the 1st semester of college.

#### Selection:

Recipients are recommended each spring by the Community Foundation Scholarship Selection Committee along with a Sanderfoot family representative.

# **Collecting the Award & Payment Procedure:**

Recipients must fill out and submit Scholarship Acceptance Form and a Scholarship Verification Form through the Scholarship Portal (https://www.grantinterface.com/Home/Logon?urlkey=cffvrscholar). Recipients are required to provide supporting documents as instructed in the Scholarship Verification Form, such as class registration/list with credits listed, proof of major, grade transcript, etc.

After approval of online Scholarship Verification Form, the scholarship check will be paid directly to the school the recipient will be attending. The **Community Foundation communicates with students via email**; it is the student's responsibility to keep their Scholarship Portal account updated with their current email address.

# **Loss of Eligibility:**

Failure to register at a public, accredited technical school, college, or university, pursuing a career in a STEM field as a part-time (minimum 6 credits) or full-time (minimum of 12 credits) student for the 1st semester of freshman year of college.

## **Further Information:**

- Appleton North High School Guidance Office
- Community Foundation for the Fox Valley Region
  - o Website <u>www.cffoxvalley.org/scholarships/</u>
  - o Email scholarships@cffoxvalley.org
  - o Phone 920.702.7623