

The 3rd Annual Michael Vincent Poussard Memorial Scholarship

The Michael Vincent Poussard Memorial Scholarship is being established to promote service to school, church and community within the student body. The recipient is selected by the Director/President in consultation with the Poussard family. For those that didn't know Michael, he was diagnosed with brain cancer shortly after he started attending Archbishop Shaw. The problem was discovered because he was trying out for the football team and noticed things were different with his ability from his last football season at the local park. He became a Manager for the team after accepting his health would not improve. He supported his team through his 8th and 9th grade years all the way to the State Championship games of 2006 and 2007. He served his church (St. John Bosco Church in Harvey) as an altar server and his community by assisting with coaching at King's Grant Park.

THE AWARD

The intent of this award is to reward students for service to school, church, and community.

Because Michael would have been a student at Archbishop Shaw until May of 2011, the Michael Vincent Poussard Scholarship award amount will be as follows:

- 2010-2011: Tuition up to \$6000
- 2012-2014: minimum of \$1000
- 2015+: Award amount to be reviewed in three year intervals
- Service counting towards this scholarship is performed from the end of the previous school year until the application deadline determined by the school.
- Scholarship is for one year only, but recipients can reapply each application period.
- The scholarship will be applied towards tuition only and will be paid directly to Archbishop Shaw High School.

CRITERIA: 2010-2011 Scholarship Years

- Must be a returning student to Archbishop Shaw High School
- Student must be Catholic

Academic Performance and Personal Merit Statement

- Applicant should:
 - Have a GPA 2.0 or higher (on a 4.0 scale)
 - ***Write a letter stating the reason you believe Michael would have wanted you to have this scholarship and what you've learned from his experience***

Citizenship and Character

- Applicant should:
 - Actively participate in service to school, church, and community
 - Reflect on how his contributions to society are significant now and for the future
 - Be involved in a balance of church, community, home, and school activities
 - ***Have a letter of recommendation from the school, parish and someone associated with any community service***
- Prefer applicants who also:
 - Have a Financial Need
 - Demonstrate a love of sports (especially football) or cooking

CRITERIA: Post-2010-2011 Scholarship Years

- Entering or Returning Students to Archbishop Shaw (Junior) High School
- Student must be Catholic

Academic Performance and Personal Merit Statement

- Applicant should:
 - Have a GPA 2.0 or higher (on a 4.0 scale)
 - ***Write a letter stating why he deserves the scholarship reflecting on how his contributions to society are significant now and for the future***

Citizenship and Character

- Applicant should:
 - Actively participate in service to school, church, and community
 - ***Have a letter of recommendation from the school, parish and someone associated with any community service***
- Prefer applicants also:
 - Have a Financial Need
 - Demonstrate a love of sports (especially football) or cooking

Please send **completed** packets (all information/letters must be included) by email to mckenna4@archbishopshaw.us or mail completed packets to:

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Deadline for all letters: Friday April 9, 2010