

Joe Carnes Scholarship Fund

Crystal Lake South High School Application Process

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DEADLINE: April 15, 2019

Application Qualifications:

1. Applicants must be graduating seniors of Crystal Lake South High School, Crystal Lake, Illinois.
2. Applicants must hold a GPA of at least a 3.0.
3. Applicants should demonstrate positive involvement in school, community and/or church activities.

Application Process:

1. Students applying for the scholarship must complete the application forms provided in your packet: *Scholarship Application Form*, *2 Recommendation Forms*, and *Academic Verification Form*.
2. All materials must be (*mailed or delivered*) to the **Community Foundation for McHenry County, 630 N. Route 31, Suite 101, Crystal Lake, IL 60012** no later than the deadline.
3. Foundation Staff will distribute applications to the Scholarship Selection Committee. The identities of each applicant will be removed from the copies; an application number will be assigned to each application.
4. The Scholarship Selection Committee members will review the applications individually and then meet to discuss the applications and choose a recipient.
5. Community Foundation staff will inform each applicant by mail the decision of the Scholarship Selection Committee (*acceptance or decline*). The recipient chosen will receive a *Letter of Acceptance* and a *Scholarship Acceptance Form*.

6. After that time, the Recipient must complete the *Scholarship Acceptance Form*, **which should arrive to the Foundation no later than the deadline stated in the letter.**
7. The student must remit a tuition bill or other evidence of their enrollment to the Foundation.
8. The recipient will be announced at the *Alden-Hebron High School Graduation Ceremony*. A member of the Scholarship Selection Committee may attend the ceremony to present the award if desired.
9. Scholarship checks will only be made payable to the college or university. **No checks will be made out directly to the recipient.**
10. Community Foundation staff will perform due diligence to confirm that the scholarship recipient has completed coursework as granted.
11. If the scholarship recipient is receiving financial aid, it is our intention that this award will not reduce grant aid in the aid package offered by the school.

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History

JOSEPH CARNES 1937-2001

Joe Carnes was a “people person” for his entire life. Joe was born August 10, 1937 in Toledo, Ohio. His father was a salesman and his grandfather a senior engineer on the railroad. Joe attended high school in Bellefontaine, Ohio before moving to New Philadelphia, Ohio prior to his junior year. An article in the high school “Senior Salute”, written in his graduation year of 1955, sums up Joe’s last two years there: “In a recent survey, Joe Carnes was selected as having the nicest personality and being the most cooperative student in the senior class. These two great traits have helped Joe to attain his place as the president of the student council and sports editor for the Central News. Joe, although attending high school here only in his last two years, has made himself known in that short time. He was active in football, baseball, tennis and a member of the Science Club and Vice President of Hi-Y. He names sports as his hobby, with baseball coming out on top...” Joe would maintain this strong characteristic of actively helping individuals and community for the rest of his life.

After high school, Joe joined the Air Force and was an aircraft mechanic for four years. He returned to Ohio after being discharged to attend Wittenberg University in Springfield and to work part time as a substitute teacher. While there, he met his future wife, Sandy Townsend, while she was working in a local department store. They were married in May of 1964. Joe and Sandy subsequently had four children during their 37-year marriage: Brad, Mike, Jeff, and Sherry. All of the children graduated from Crystal Lake South High School in the 1980’s and are now pursuing successful careers.

Joe had a great sense of humor and a positive outlook on life. These gifts probably allowed Joe to kind of pull himself up by the bootstraps. While at Wittenberg, the National Guard called and said, “How would you like to join us and go to flight training”. Joe jumped at the chance to become a pilot with the Air National Guard of Ohio. After completion of training, he flew the F-100 jet for several years for the Guard. Shortly after pilot training with the Guard, Joe was hired to be a commercial pilot for United Airlines. Joe spent most of his career with United in Chicago, living in Crystal Lake, Illinois. He flew for United from 1966 until he retired in 1997. During that time Joe served as chair of the Aeromedical Committee for the Chicago pilots and was a line check airman, checking out many new captains and co-pilots. Joe was very active with the pilot group even after retirement. He was usually the first one to volunteer to help when a job needed to be done. There were efforts made for several years to try to get a Retired United Pilots lunch started in McHenry County. These efforts came to nothing until Joe got involved. He was the leader that the group required to complete the task. About 70 retired pilots in the area now attend these quarterly luncheons.

His widow, Sandy Carnes, related another example of Joe’s caring and dedication. As a young father of a growing family in Crystal Lake, Joe was an active member of the local Jaycees. Sandy said that the Jaycees had taken on the task of holding a Special Olympics that

year. The person who was supposed to chair this task opted out. Joe, because he would not let such a worthwhile cause fail, took it upon himself to head up the effort. It was one of the most successful Special Olympics ever held. During this time in Joe's life he also refereed high school football, was a little league and Babe Ruth baseball coach and was president of the local Hockey Club.

Later in his life, Joe became one of the driving forces behind the success of the Raue Center for the Arts in Crystal Lake. He was also a Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus, the Park District Board President and volunteered many hours at a local homeless shelter. But what was really special about him was that he managed to get those around him involved, too. Joe taught many people how to help others, be active in the community and have a great time doing it.

Joe's positive outlook rubbed off on everyone around him. If you were down in the dumps or mad he could usually pull you out of it. He seldom had a bad word to say about anyone....if you griped about somebody he would say something positive about them in return. As many people have mentioned, we need more people like Joe Carnes in this world.

But probably Joe's biggest attribute and one that we'll always remember him for was his love of people. As many of his friends have said, you seldom went anywhere that Joe didn't know someone. Joe loved to be around people, talk, joke, and laugh. He was also very caring.

Undoubtedly, Joe was such a happy person because, not only did he have a great wife and family, but he cared for and helped so many people. Maybe he was showing the rest of us the way to true happiness...what a great legacy for him to leave us.

Joe Carnes Scholarship Application

Application Guidelines:

- All application materials must be submitted at the same time.
- Please submit your application and additional materials packet to:
Community Foundation for McHenry County
Attn: Margaret Miller
630 N. Route 31, Suite 101
Crystal Lake, IL 60012
- **Applications must be RECEIVED on or before April 15, 2019. INCOMPLETE OR LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.**
- **Please note:** All recipients of scholarship awards administered by the Community Foundation for McHenry County are listed in the organization's annual report and may be included in other promotional materials. Also, recipients are encouraged to attend scholarship award ceremonies as requested.
- You may contact the Foundation at 815-338-4483 or email Margaret at margaret@mccfdn.org with questions.

Checklist: Complete the following items and include in your application packet:

- Joe Carnes Scholarship Fund Application*
- Academic Verification Form*
- Typed essay response*
- Two recommendation forms – Each must be in a sealed envelope with the recommender's signature on the seal*

Contact Information:

Name: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____

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College Enrollment Information:

Name of college/trade school you will likely attend: _____

Have you been accepted to college/trade school?: _____

Field of Study (If undecided, please indicate undecided):

The school is a:

2 Year Institution 4 Year Institution

Other/Explain: _____

Other Colleges Applied to:

Please explain why you have selected this/these school(s).

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Personal Statement: (2 – 3 sentences)

Please list your future educational and career goals.

Activities and Special Honors:

List your extracurricular school activities, community activities and church activities here. Include sponsoring organization, dates of participation, hours engaged and positions held. Use local examples. If you did not participate in any activities, please enter "None".

List your special honors and awards here. Include item and date received. If you did not receive any special honors, please enter "None".

ESSAY: (400 – 600 words, typed and attached to application)

Your response to this section is your opportunity to address the scholarship committee and show how you meet the scholarship criteria. Include information that you believe the committee should know as it considers your application. You may also include academic or personal achievements, leadership skills, community and school participation and financial obligations. Please do NOT use your name in your response.

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Work Experience:

Most Recent Employer: (If you haven't been employed write N/A)

Duties:

Dates: _____

Hours/Week: _____

Next Most Recent Employer:

Duties:

Dates: _____

Hours/Week: _____

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How do you plan to pay for costs not covered by the above?

Is there anything else you feel we should know about your financial needs?

Certification

- I certify that the statements herein are true to the best of my knowledge.

- I certify that my personal essay and the information provided in this application represent my own work.

Remember to complete the *Academic Verification Form, Typed Essay, and 2 Recommendation Forms* for this scholarship.

Signature *Date*

Mail to or Drop off at:
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630 N. Route 31, Suite 101
Crystal Lake, IL 60012

For Foundation Use Only: _____ Applicant No.: _____

HIGH SCHOOL ACADEMIC VERIFICATION FORM

Student's Name: _____
(Please print your name legibly)

Instructions:

- This form must be included in each applicant's hard copy packet as indicated on the Scholarship Checklist.
- Students should complete this form and ask their school counselor or other appropriate administrator to verify the information and sign the form.
- The student's high school transcript is not required at this time but may be requested at a later date.
- Contact Margaret Miller, Program Manager, at (815) 338-4483 or margaret@mccfdn.org with any questions.

Cumulative GPA is _____ based upon a _____ scale

Cumulative GPA is: Weighted Non-Weighted

Highest Composite ACT Score _____ and/or highest Composite SAT Score _____

List senior year courses – specify advanced placement (AP), honors (H), etc.

Signature _____ Date _____ School Seal _____
President, Registrar or Counselor

Joe Carnes Scholarship Fund
Recommendation Form for Scholarships

Dear scholarship applicant recommender,

The student listed below has selected you to give the committee a recommendation for his/her application to the Joe Carnes Scholarship Fund. The committee would like to know, in your opinion, why we should award scholarship funds to support this student in their education.

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Thank you for your time and participation in the process.

Regards,

Joe Carnes Scholarship Review Committee

Applicant's Complete Name

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	< 1 year	1-3 years	3-5 years	5-10 years	10+ years
How long have you known the applicant?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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	Teacher	Employer	Faith	Community	Friend
What is your relationship to the applicant?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Why should the applicant receive this scholarship?

Please describe your understanding of this applicant's ability to meet his/her educational goals:

Please rank your willingness to recommend the applicant for this scholarship:

- Highly Recommend
- Recommend
- Recommend with reservations
- Other: _____

Please explain:

Name of Recommender	Title/Position
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Institution/Business Name	Phone number
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Signature	Email Address	Date
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