

## **MITCHELL N. BLAKESLEY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

The Mitchell N. Blakesley Scholarship is made possible by a donation from Janeen Blakesley in memory of her husband, an art teacher at Lineville-Clio Community School District for many years. This scholarship will benefit a worthy graduating senior at Lineville-Clio Community School District.

A scholarship will be awarded to one college-bound student to continue their education in their selected field of choice. Special consideration will be given to those pursuing a post-secondary degree in an art-related field. All scholarship money will be presented upon proof of enrollment at an accredited junior college, college or university for the fall semester.

### **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:**

1. Applicants must be residents of the Lineville-Clio Community School District, according to the geographic boundaries in place as of January 1, 2006. Applicants must be a graduate of Lineville-Clio Community School District, or if not providing a secondary school education to district students, then from any other district providing accredited secondary school diplomas. Furthermore, applicants must enroll as a full-time student at a junior college, college or university.
2. Applicants must rank in the upper 2/3 of their high school class. The valedictorian and salutatorian are not eligible for this scholarship. A signed copy of the applicant's transcript must be provided.
3. Applicants must submit a letter of application, which includes the following information:
  - a list of community and extracurricular activities;
  - the name of the college, university or junior college they plan to attend;
  - field of interest chosen, and why it was chosen; and
  - why the applicant deserves this scholarship.

4. Applicants must supply a letter of recommendation from a school representative and a letter of recommendation from a community representative.
5. Applicants must appear, if requested, for an interview with the Mitchell N. Blakesley Scholarship Committee.
6. Scholarship applications must be received by the applicant's high school guidance counselor by April 15 annually.
7. A scholarship must be claimed by March 1st of the year following the one in which it was awarded (generally two semesters). If not claimed, the scholarship will be considered forfeited, and the amount awarded will be returned to the appropriate scholarship fund. Special exceptions may be granted by written permission from the Wayne Community Foundation Board of Directors.

### **SELECTION CRITERIA:**

Applications for the Mitchell N. Blakesley Scholarship will be judged using the following criteria:

1. Community Service
2. Demonstration of Leadership
3. Personal Qualities/Strength of Character
4. Extracurricular School Activities
5. Academic and Scholastic Record
6. Financial Need