

Stephen Breen Memorial Foundation

1940 Warner Road Fort Worth, Texas 76110

Dear Cassata Catholic High School Senior:

The Stephen Breen Memorial Foundation (“Foundation”) is pleased to offer a scholarship to a graduating senior from Cassata Catholic High School. Stephen Breen was a sophomore at Nolan Catholic High School when he passed away from cancer in 2004.

The Foundation is committed to offering financial aid to local children who seek the strength and values of a Catholic education; and to those courageous children and their families whose lives are afflicted with cancer during their lifetime. Stephen greatly valued his education at both St. Andrew and Nolan Catholic. Before he died, Stephen's wish was to help less fortunate children have the same opportunity he had. One in eight children in Catholic Schools in the Diocese of Fort Worth currently receive financial aid, and many more are in need, if only the resources were available.

Since inception, Stephen's Foundation has provided over \$2 million in financial aid to more than 3000 children from 1500 different families. These children attend 17 different Catholic schools in the Diocese of Fort Worth. Additionally, Stephen's Foundation has provided over \$300,000.00 in assistance to children with cancer and their families being treated at Cook Children Hospital.

Semi-annually, the Foundation awards the “Stephen Breen Memorial Foundation Scholarship for a College Freshman,” which is a \$2500.00 scholarship credited directly to the recipient's tuition account of their chosen college, university, or seminary. This scholarship is only awarded for the student's freshman year in college.

*The qualifications for receiving the scholarship are noted on the attached scholarship application. **Please note the deadline for submission. Applications must be received by this date to be considered.***

Sincerely,

Jim Breen

President – Stephen Breen Memorial Foundation

STEPHEN BREEN MEMORIAL FOUNDATION

College Scholarship Application

The **STEPHEN BREEN MEMORIAL FOUNDATION** will award one scholarship to a graduating high school senior at Cassata Catholic High School with an average of 85 or better, who is admitted as a freshman to a recognized four year college, university, or seminary.

The following criteria will be weighted in awarding the scholarship: financial need, family obligations, prior academic achievement, performance, recommendations from Cassata faculty, activities, leadership and demonstration of Cassata Catholic High School's mission and values.

Applications can be obtained through the Cassata Catholic High School Guidance Office, or downloaded at the Foundation's web site: www.stephenbreenmemorialfoundation.org .

The Scholarship will be awarded based on the following criteria:

1. Demonstrated financial need.
2. Active participant in the Cassata Catholic Community.
3. Good conduct.
4. Graduation from Cassata Catholic High School.
5. Writing skills.
6. Demonstration of Cassata's mission and values.
7. Timely and accurate completion of application.
8. Recommendation letters received.

To apply, the following information must be submitted to **THE STEPHEN BREEN MEMORIAL FOUNDATION**:

1. The completed application form.
2. Information completed by the Cassata Catholic High School Guidance counselor certifying the student qualifies for enrollment in a four year college, university, or seminary.
3. Two recommendation letters.
4. Resume – Be sure to include jobs held, list extracurricular activities (Clubs, sports teams, church activities, community organizations, scouting, school groups, etc.), and list honors, awards, class offices, and other recognitions your have received during high school.
5. Copies of letters from Colleges indicating scholarships and financial assistance that have been awarded by the college you plan to attend.

TIME LINE

1. Properly completed application submitted to **Mrs. McConegly**. Applications must be received by _____ to be considered.
2. Scholarship will be awarded at Graduation or an appropriate time.

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College Scholarship Application

Student's Name: _____
Last First Middle

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Home Phone Number: _____ E-mail: _____

Year of Birth: _____ U.S. Citizen: _____ Yes _____ No

Potential Major or Field of Study: _____ HS GPA: _____

(1) If you received financial assistance to attend high school; please list the year(s) you received aid, amount and source of aid.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Source of Aid</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Source of Aid</u>
_____	\$ _____	_____	_____	\$ _____	_____
_____	\$ _____	_____	_____	\$ _____	_____

(2) Describe any special financial/medical needs you might have: _____

Projected Educational Costs and Assistance

Outside Financial Assistance:

Parents, Guardians, Relatives, Friends	\$ _____
Church, Synagogue, etc.	\$ _____
Veteran's Association Benefits	\$ _____
Family Contribution	\$ _____
Other	\$ _____
Total Outside Financial assistance	\$ _____ (A)

Estimated Financial Resources:

Student Employment:	_____	\$ _____ (A)
	Place of Employment	

Financial Aid Awards applied for:

Federal Pell Grant:	\$ _____
Federal SEOG:	\$ _____
TEG/TPEG:	\$ _____
LEAP:	\$ _____
Institutional Grant:	\$ _____
Institutional Scholarship:	\$ _____
Outside Scholarship/Grant:	\$ _____
FWS:	\$ _____
Perkins Loan:	\$ _____
Stafford Loan:	\$ _____
Other Loan:	\$ _____
TOTAL FINANCIAL AID	\$ _____ (A)

TOTAL SOURCES OF EDUCATION COSTS AND ASSISTANCE FUNDS

\$ _____ Sum of (A)

**Projected cost of tuition, books, and room and board
of the college you plan to attend.**

\$ _____ (B)

NET SHORTAGE OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

\$ _____ (A-B)