



## HONORING THE LIFE AND BRAVERY OF BRIAN WHALEY

### A HERO CAN BE FOUND IN EVERYONE.

At 15 years of age, Brian Whaley proved this when he leapt into action to save the lives of his mother, father, and younger brother in the midst of a fire that consumed their house. With the help of Alexandria firefighters, his family was saved. He was just like you, a normal kid, who played on the basketball team and served as student body president at Holy Savior Menard Central High School in Alexandria, Louisiana.

### LEADERSHIP. ATHLETICISM. BRAVERY. CHARITY. KINDNESS.

This was how Brian lived his life and would have continued to had he been granted more years to live.

On May 13, 1984, Brian and his best friend and fellow Menard graduate, Lowell Gunn, were killed in a tragic car accident.

But Brian's heroics live on. In honor of the bravery of Brian and members of the Alexandria Fire Department in saving his family, the Brian Whaley Scholarship was created. The scholarship was established to honor his values and life along with all the brave men and women of the Alexandria Fire Department.

The Brian Whaley Scholarship is awarded annually to two graduating seniors or current college students who are the children of a current or former member of a fire department in Louisiana.



### WHAT IS THE SCHOLARSHIP?

- ★ The Brian Whaley Memorial Scholarship of \$2,000 will be awarded to the person who will help Brian's memory live on by exhibiting the traits he held so dear during his 19 years: leadership, bravery, charity, and kindness.

### WHO CAN APPLY?

- ★ Any graduating senior or current college student who is the child of a current or former member of a fire department in Louisiana. Special consideration will be given to the financial need of the applicant.

### HOW CAN YOU APPLY?

- ★ In addition to completing the application, applicants are asked to write a 300-word-essay that explains their academic and life goals.
- ★ Provide the following documentation:
  - A letter of recommendation from a teacher, coach, or administrator
  - A letter of verification from a community service organization on official letterhead of the applicant's service

### ALL DOCUMENTATION MUST BE SUBMITTED NO LATER THAN MAY 31

### WHAT ARE THE STIPULATIONS?

- ★ The scholarship must be used within the year it is presented and be used for attendance at a collegiate institution or vocational/technical school.
- ★ Two-thirds of the scholarship will be awarded before the first semester of the scholastic year awarded and the remainder upon successful completion of the first semester of classes.



## BE PREPARED SO YOU CAN BE YOUR OWN HERO

- ★ Check your smoke and carbon monoxide REGULARLY
- ★ Place detectors strategically ... ONE PER FLOOR and INSIDE & OUTSIDE EACH BEDROOM
- ★ Install SMOKE ALARM ACTIVATED NIGHTLIGHTS
- ★ Store EXTINGUISHERS in fire-prone areas
- ★ Install ESCAPE LADDERS in all second story bedrooms
- ★ Store your valuables in a FIRE-PROOF SAFE
- ★ Discuss ESCAPE ROUTES and MEETING SPOTS with your family members



# THE BRIAN WHALEY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Please complete the application on both sides of this panel. All application, essays and letters of recommendations must be submitted via email to assistant@whaley.com. A receipt of submissions will be confirmed via email. Applications received after May 31 will not be considered.

## I. PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
LAST FIRST MIDDLE

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
MAILING ADDRESS CITY STATE ZIP

Telephone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Father/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Mother/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Fire Station to which Parent Is/Was Assigned and Years of Service: \_\_\_\_\_

Cumulative GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ Class Rank: \_\_\_\_\_ in a class of \_\_\_\_\_ ACT or SAT Composite Score: \_\_\_\_\_

## II. STUDENT INVOLVEMENT/ HONORS

Please list extracurricular school activities or organizations to which you belong, (such as student council, band, and athletics):  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Please list activities or organizations outside of school to which you belong, (such as church groups, etc.):  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Please list any honors, recognition or awards you have received:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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## III. UNIVERSITY, COLLEGE, VOCATIONAL, OR TECHNICAL COLLEGE INFORMATION

Please list the university, college, or vocational school you have chosen to attend:  
\_\_\_\_\_

Have you been accepted to this school? Yes  No  If you are still undecided, list the schools to which you have applied:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Have you received offers of scholarship money from a school or organization? Yes  No   
If so, list the name of the school/organization and the name and value of the scholarship(s):  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Have you applied for a federal/state grant-in-aid? (PELL Grant) Yes  No   
Will you qualify for a grant? Yes  No  If so, for what amount? \_\_\_\_\_  
What do you plan to study in college/vocational school? \_\_\_\_\_

## IV. ESSAY

Write a 300-word essay that lists your academic goals, as well as your life goals. Please also include a short statement regarding your financial need for this scholarship.



THE BRIAN WHALEY SCHOLARSHIP IS BROUGHT TO YOU BY:

