



Ann Arbor Area Community Foundation



SARA MARIE DIEPENHORST MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Sara Marie Diepenhorst was a beautiful, intelligent, nineteen-year-old young woman with a zest for life that few people possess. Before graduating as valedictorian of Kennedy High School in Taylor in 1997, Sara was involved in numerous activities throughout her high school career. She was especially proud to serve as a mentor through Common Ground, a program that provides role models for local junior high school students. She was also the president of the National Honor Society, co-captain of the varsity cross-country team, secretary of the student government, and a four-year participant in Youth-in-Government. Sara had just completed her first year of college at the University of Michigan when she was involved in a car accident on July 27, 1998. Her death five days later left her family and friends wondering why such a senseless tragedy could happen to someone with as much to offer the world as Sara did.

In an effort to make the slightest amount of sense out of such a tragedy, Sara's family, friends, classmates, and other caring members of her community raised enough money to establish a scholarship fund in her name that would last into perpetuity. The Sara Marie Diepenhorst Memorial Scholarship, held under the auspices of the Ann Arbor Area Community Foundation, is awarded each year to a high school senior from Taylor who will attend the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. The successful applicant is the person who most embodies the qualities that Sara possessed.



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2019 APPLICATION THE SARA MARIE DIEPENHORST MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

_____	_____	_____
Name	Telephone	Date
_____	_____	_____
Address	High School	G.P.A.
_____	_____	_____
City, State, Zip	Birthdate	Email

Why did you choose to attend U of M? _____

Where will you live freshman year? _____ Dorm _____ Campus Apt. _____ Off Campus Apt. _____ Home (commute)

What do you plan to study? _____

Why did you choose this field of study? Why haven't you chosen a field of study? _____

Please list the three activities or accomplishments that you are most proud of (in priority order):

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Why are you proudest of item #1? (At least 20 words please) _____

Please rank the following adjectives in the order that they describe you (1-describes you best, 12-describes you least):

_____ Appreciative	_____ Creative	_____ Intelligent	_____ Spiritual
_____ Assertive	_____ Friendly	_____ Modest	_____ Respected
_____ Brave	_____ Funny	_____ Rebellious	_____ Successful

Please rank the following priorities in order of importance to you:

_____ Career	_____ Family	_____ Spirituality	_____ Other
_____ Education	_____ Money	_____ Significant Other	
_____ Fame	_____ Recreation	_____ Sports	

Who is your role model? Why? _____

If you were to invent a holiday, describe its meaning, customs, symbols, etc. (At least 30 words please) _____

If you could change one thing about yourself, what would it be? _____

What is the bravest / most free-spirited thing you have ever done? _____

What is your favorite memory? Why? _____

Please comment on any special life circumstances you and/or your family may have overcome and/or are currently experiencing: _____

Your aunt gives you \$200 for your birthday "so you can go skydiving." You...

- A. go skydiving
- B. apply it towards your expensive U of M tuition
- C. splurge on something else you've always wanted
- D. donate it to your favorite charity
- E. Other. Please explain: _____

And finally...

Please tell us your favorite joke: _____

APPLICATION DEADLINE: April 4, 2019

**MAIL APPLICATION TO: The Sara Marie Diepenhorst Memorial Scholarship Committee
45122 Harmony Lane
Belleville, MI 48111**
