

The Karen Wack-Zirbel Memorial Scholarship



Karen was a strong supporter of Catholic Education throughout her life. She was a cheer and volleyball coach at St. Francis in Brighton, a longtime member of Catholic Central's Board of Directors, a volunteer for multitudes of CC events, such as the annual auction, and when she wasn't volunteering or donating to a special project, she was a spectator. Karen was also the proud mother of Chirissa (Zirbel) Rothering and Chad Zirbel who graduated from Catholic Central High School in 2012 and 2018.

Academics were also very important to Karen, a 4.0 student, herself, with a K-12 perfect attendance record. In August of 2023, Karen passed away from pancreatic cancer, a battle that she fought with tremendous strength and perseverance.

This \$1,000 tuition scholarship was created in hopes that Karen's immense spirit would be passed on to the next generation. Applicants must be an 8th, 9th, 10th or 11th grade student planning on or currently attending Catholic Central High School and reside in one of the following townships: Brighton, Bristol, Kansasville, Paris, Salem, Union Grove or Wheatland.

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Name of Applicant _____

Phone _____

Address _____

_____ (include city, state and zip code)

Current School _____

Grade _____

(8th, 9th, 10th, 11th)

Please attach the answers to the following questions on a separate sheet of paper:

1. Tell Us About Yourself. Please include any clubs, sports, hobbies, etc. and what impact they have had in your life.
2. How have you contributed within your community? Please state the name(s) of the community(ies) you have served.
3. What co-curricular activities do you plan on participating in at Catholic Central next year?
4. Why do you want to attend Catholic Central?

*Recipient will be asked to complete an end-of-the-year reflection of their experience at Catholic Central prior to the last day of the academic year.

Please return this application to: **Mrs. Selburg, Development Director at Catholic Central High School by March 31st.**