

# MALONE SCHOLARS PROGRAM

In May of 2008, the Malone Family Foundation in Colorado established a \$2 million endowment at Wichita Collegiate School. The purpose of the endowment was to help make the educational opportunities and experiences at WCS accessible to academically talented students entering Grades 7-9 whose families demonstrate moderate to significant financial need. Inspired by the impact his own high school experience had on his future, Dr. John Malone founded the scholarship program with the hope that other young scholars would be given the same opportunity to reach their potential.

## HOW WERE MALONE SCHOLARS SCHOOLS SELECTED?

WCS is one of only 50 schools in the country, and the only one in Kansas, that have been designated as Malone Scholars Schools. The Malone Family Foundation selected schools on the basis of:

- ♦ Academic caliber
- ♦ Quality of faculty and staff
- ♦ Excellent ability to enhance the education of gifted and talented students
- ♦ Strong Advanced Placement (AP) and enrichment programs
- ♦ Attention to the individual student's needs, interests, and talents
- ♦ Financial strength and stability
- ♦ A commitment to financial aid
- ♦ A school population that is economically, culturally, ethnically, and socially diverse

“Without the Malone Scholar's program, I would have missed the opportunity to attend Wichita Collegiate School. I cannot adequately express the difference this has made for me. I have received the guidance needed to successfully complete an AP College Preparatory curriculum in a friendly, supportive atmosphere. WCS teachers know you and understand what you need. They are dedicated to ensuring you succeed and have individually spent time with me on assignments, studying tips, and test reviews during daily tutorials. Students at Wichita Collegiate are friendly and dedicated to academics and activities. They have been a great group of friends to have. The Wichita Collegiate College Counseling department has individually assisted me with the college search process, applications, and scholarships. Their help has been invaluable and I feel confident about my college choices! Thank you to the Malone Foundation for giving me this opportunity.



**TREY CHARBONNEAU, WCS CLASS OF 2019**

## Spartans today... Leaders tomorrow

“Being a Malone Scholar at Wichita Collegiate School gave me the opportunity to foster my love for learning in an environment that encouraged such growth. Wichita Collegiate is a special place to me. I was challenged, supported, and encouraged by peers, teachers, and staff during my six years at the school. Being surrounded by such a positive community helped me to achieve the goals I set in place for myself and even exceed those goals. The Malone experience specifically taught me how to appreciate and utilize such an amazing gift. I learned just how such a gift can change one's life if used to the best of one's ability. Thanks to the Malone Scholarship and Wichita Collegiate, I developed skills and had experiences that prepared me for life. Since then, I have been able to continue my love for learning at Southern Methodist University where I am Hunt Leadership Scholar. Once again, I have received a gift that I will never take for granted.



**ALEX PAYNE, WCS CLASS OF 2016**



## WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO APPLY FOR THE MALONE SCHOLARS PROGRAM?

Successful applicants for the Malone Scholars Program will:

- ◆ Demonstrate a record of academic achievement
- ◆ Score at or above the 95th percentile on a recognized standardized achievement or aptitude test
- ◆ Demonstrate financial need for at least 30% of tuition by applying for Indexed Tuition at WCS
- ◆ Be a United States citizen
- ◆ Meet the admission requirements of Wichita Collegiate School
- ◆ Show enthusiasm and motivation for maximizing his or her educational opportunities
- ◆ Be ready to enter Grades 7, 8, or 9

## ACADEMIC APPLICATION PROCESS

Applicants must complete or provide:

- ◆ The Malone Scholar application form
- ◆ The WCS Applicant Questionnaire
- ◆ Transcript and test scores from current school
- ◆ A recommendation from a current academic teacher

## INDEX TUITION APPLICATION PROCESS

The process involves completing a secure Parent Financial Statement online at the School and Student Services branch of the National Organization of Independent Schools. Click on How to Apply for Indexed Tuition in 8 Steps for instructions.

## WHAT IS INVOLVED WITH THE SELECTION PROCESS?

After application materials have been received, qualified finalists will be invited to come write a brief essay and interview with the Collegiate's Malone Selection Committee. In a typical year, the committee will be able to select one or two Malone Scholars for the coming year.

## WHAT EXPENSES ARE COVERED BY MALONE ENDOWMENT FUNDS?

The Malone Endowment will fund tuition expenses up to 100% of demonstrated need, as well as certain other school-related expenses such as lunch, supplies, and certain trips. Upper School Scholars also benefit with funding for a limited number of college applications, ACT and SAT fees, and a budget for trips taken during the college search process. Once selected for the Scholarship, the student continues as a Malone Scholar through graduation as long as he or she remains in good standing at WCS. Certain fees cannot be covered by Malone funding, such as athletic participation fees, fees for any activity that falls under the jurisdiction of the Kansas High School Activities Association, and optional trips.

## WHAT IF I AM NOT SELECTED AS A MALONE SCHOLAR?

WCS offers the same challenging and enriching environment to all students, whether or not they qualify for or were selected as Malone Scholars. Each year, a number of the finalists are able to take advantage of the opportunities we offer with the aid of our Indexed Tuition program.

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# APPLICATIONS ARE DUE APRIL 15.



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