

Davenport Schools Foundation

Jason Blair Roberts Memorial Scholarship



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Scholarship History:

This scholarship was created in 2019 by the family and friends of Jason Blair Roberts, a 1990 Davenport Central graduate and Davenport civic leader, who died a tragic death in June 2018. The scholarship will be awarded to a Central High School minority student who best exemplifies the character of Jason Roberts.

Roberts was involved in various community programs including founding Quad City Boots on the Ground, a grass roots community effort to combat gun violence. In addition, he coached his daughters in a number of sports and was very active in the Lady D's sports programs. The Roberts family is well-known in the Davenport school system for outstanding contributions; his father Simon was a ground-breaking wrestler at Central and the University of Iowa.

Eligibility:

Applicants must have graduated from Davenport Central High School by June 30 while maintaining an overall GPA of 2.5 or higher.

Requirements:

Applicants must provide a letter of recommendation from someone of their choosing. A current transcript of grades is required. Applicants must submit an essay (300 words max) explaining their college plans and lifetime goals.

Deadline:

Application deadline is **March 1 by 11:59 p.m.** Applications are available online at www.davenportschools.org/foundation/scholarships.

Award:

The recipient will be announced at the Central High School awards program in May. The amount of the award may vary according to available funding, with an expected minimum award of \$500. The scholarship is a non-renewing scholarship – available for one year only.

Selection Committee:

Applications will be reviewed and the winner will be selected by members of Davenport Schools Foundation Scholarship Committee, the Executive Director, and a representative from the Roberts family.

If awarded this scholarship a verification of enrollment (Student Information Form) must be submitted to the Davenport Schools Foundation office by **June 1**. Failure to submit the Student Information Form may forfeit an award. Award funds will be distributed to the institution of enrollment in August.

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