

EDDIE COCHRAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

This \$1,000 scholarship, sponsored by the Low Bucks Car Club of Albert Lea, MN, is awarded in memory of Eddie Cochran. Its purpose is to enhance talented fine arts students as they prepare for a future career in or related to music or another fine arts area.

CRITERIA

- 1. Applicant must be a senior in high school who has been accepted in a two or four year program in music or fine arts.**
- 2. Complete the attached application.**
- 3. On a separate sheet of paper type a 200-300 word essay giving a brief history of your interest in fine arts and your future college and career plans.**
- 4. Return all information to the N.R. Guidance Office.**
- 5. Deadline for returning the application is March 21, 2025.**

TERMS

A \$1,000 check will be sent to the scholarship recipient after he/she has successfully completed the first quarter or semester of college and proof is provided that the student is registered for the second quarter or semester.

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EDWARD RAY COCHRAN was born Oct. 3, 1938 in Albert Lea. He started playing guitar at age 12 and, when the family later moved to California, he quickly made connections in the entertainment industry. He learned with country music performer Henry Cochran (no relation) and they toured as the “Cochran Brothers.”

In 1956 Eddie moved from country music into early Rock’n’Roll. His version of “Sitting in the Balcony” became his first smash hit, with over one million copies sold. In 1958 he scored his most enduring hit with the classic “Summertime Blues.” Other of his songs in the Billboard Hot 100 include “Drive in Show”, Jeannie, Jeannie, Jeannie”, “C’mon Everybody”, “Teenage Heaven”, and “Something Else”

Eddie Cochran was close friends with some of rock’n’roll’s greatest legends, including Gene Vincent. After three months of touring, he was anxious to get back to the United States and see his family at Easter. The cab taking him to Heathrow airport crashed and Eddie suffered fatal head injuries. He died on Easter Sunday, 1960.

Eddie frequently added the phrase “Don’t forget me!” over his signature. The permanent museum exhibit and the annual Eddie Cochran Weekend in Albert Lea are on-going evidence that his home town has not forgotten Eddie Cochran.

Eddie Cochran Memorial Scholarship Application

Name _____ **Telephone Number** _____

Address _____

Parents _____

Father's Occupation _____ Employer _____

Mother's Occupation _____ Employer _____

Brothers and Sisters (claimed by parents as dependents)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____
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Number of brother/sisters currently attending college/technical college _____

Number of parents attending college/technical college _____

EDUCATIONAL PLANS

College/Technical College you plan to attend _____

Will you be enrolled _____ half-time _____ full-time

Will you live _____ on campus _____ off campus _____ commute

Anticipated Major or Occupational Program _____

Anticipated graduation date from college/technical college _____

TRANSCRIPT INFORMATION

(to be completed by Guidance Office)

GPA _____ Class Rank _____

ACT Composite _____

PSAT: Verbal _____ Math _____

SAT: Verbal _____ Math _____