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Tracy Mathews Scholarship

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Scholarship History: This scholarship was created in 2025 by Manny Mathews in honor of his wife, Tracy Mathews. Tracy was a beloved elementary school teacher in the Davenport School system for 32 years. She taught elementary music for half her career and was a passionate supporter of show choir. Tracy was also a proud graduate of the Davenport school system.

Eligibility: This scholarship is intended to provide assistance to benefit a student from a Davenport, Iowa, public high school, pursuing higher education (2- or 4-year institutions) in the field of education or music.

Criteria: This merit-based scholarship will be awarded to a single student from a Davenport public high school, continuing their education beyond high school. The primary criteria is academic merit. Merit is defined as students with a GPA 2.5 or higher.

Requirements: Applicants must have graduated from a Davenport public high school or are on track to graduate, provide a letter of recommendation from a non-immediate family member and write a minimum 400 word essay on why they are pursuing their respective field of study. Special consideration will be given to students that have participated in show choir at their respective high schools.

Award: This is an endowed annual $1,000, non-renewable scholarship.

Selection Committee: Applications will be reviewed and the winner selected by members of the Davenport Schools Foundation Scholarship Committee.

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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