



# D'Evelyn Education Foundation William R. and Helen J. Dowdle Scholarship

## IN MEMORY OF WILLIAM R. & HELEN J. DOWDLE.

Bill Dowdle was the son of an immigrant family that worked in the Illinois coal mines at the turn of the century. He was forced to end his formal education after the sixth grade and work in a blacksmith shop to help support the family.

Helen Dowdle's mother died when she was seven years old and she was thereafter raised in a foster home. She ended her formal education after the ninth grade in order to support herself.

Throughout their lives, both recognized the importance of higher education and worked extremely hard to assure that their children would be the first generation in their families to be able to attend college and graduate school.

**PURPOSE:** The D'Evelyn Education Foundation has one scholarship in the amount of \$250. The purpose of this scholarship is to recognize a well-rounded graduating senior who has made outstanding contributions to the school and community.

### CRITERIA FOR AWARDING THIS SCHOLARSHIP (in order of importance):

- ❖ Neither parent pursued post secondary education
- ❖ Respected by teachers and other students
- ❖ Minimum cumulative GPA of 2.3
- ❖ Active volunteer in and out of school
- ❖ One Teacher or Counselor recommendation; one community leader recommendation

### SUBMIT:

- Completed DEF Scholarship Application Form with accompanying transcript, resume and goals essay. See application form for specifics.
- Completed William R. and Helen J. Dowdle application form with typed question answer sheet.
- Two letters of recommendation: one from a community leader for whom you have worked or volunteered in the past 4 years and one from a current teacher or counselor. Additional recommendations will not be used.

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Years attending D'Evelyn \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature to verify first criterion: \_\_\_\_\_

I intend to enroll at (name of college or university): \_\_\_\_\_

Please use a separate, typewritten sheet of paper to answer each of the following questions. Be sure to include your name at the top.

1. **STATE** the specific purpose for which you would use this scholarship and how it would further your selected career.
2. **DESCRIBE** any special circumstance of which the selection committee should be aware.

**\*\* Monies not used by individual recipients will be returned to the William R. and Helen J. Dowdle Scholarship fund. \*\***