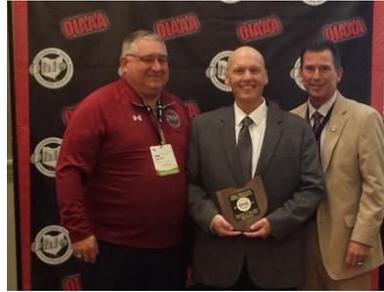




Michael Ferguson Memorial Scholarship 2017 Application



Scholarship Background:

Mike Ferguson, fondly known as “Fergy”, graduated from Whitehall in 1974, earned his undergraduate degree in Education from The Ohio State University, and a graduate degree in Sports Administration from Ashland University. He worked several years with Columbus' health department. After receiving his athletics director certification (CAA certification), he interned at Whitehall and served as athletics director at Licking Heights in 2001 before taking over at Whitehall. He served as athletics director at Whitehall from 2002 to 2015. During his time as athletic director he was recognized by the Central Ohio Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association and the Ohio Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association for numerous awards in addition to serving in several leadership roles in those organizations.

Mr. Ferguson was diagnosed with throat cancer in 2012 that ended up taking a beloved friend and mentor from the Whitehall family in October 2015. Throughout this 3 year period he remained dedicated to his role as athletic director and upbeat with a sense of humor and a smile during this intense time of adversity.

Scholarship Description:

This scholarship, which began last year, was established by past students of Fergy in honor of his life and work for WYHS. Fergy was a great athletic director because he taught students that you do not have to be the best athlete but rather what matters at the end of the day is your sportsmanship, your love for your game, and your school work to help you continue to do what you love after high school. It is meant for students who embody the spirit of these characteristics we all loved in Fergy, including strength and humility through adversity.

Award Amount: TBD

Eligibility Criteria:

- Graduating WYHS Senior
- Plans to attend an Ohio Post-Secondary School
- Student Athlete for at least 1 sports seasons during Senior year in good standing
- Minimum of 3.0 cumulative GPA and in good standing with the school for attendance and discipline
- Proof of enrollment in an Ohio Post-Secondary institution with a AU 17 schedule prior to receiving funds

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Application Process:

1. Complete page 3 of this application (Student Information, School Information, Short Essay)
2. Provide 2 teacher recommendations by giving them with this website link, be sure to check back that they completed the recommendation by the deadline:
 - <https://goo.gl/forms/7rtE1eW4wUq30YKa2>
3. Provide 1 page professional style resume of your high school career that includes your:
 - Extracurricular Activities
 - School Activities
 - Community Service
 - Sports
 - Work
4. Provide a high school transcript
5. Submit all of these items as attachments to this email address:
 - Fergy.Scholarship@gmail.com
 - If you do not have any electronic versions of these items please scan the document for an electronic copy or take a **clear** picture of the item and attach them to the email
 - The Attendance Office can help you scan a document and email it to yourself to attach to your final submission email
 - If you do not have access to email at home, be sure to use the school's supplied email
 - Make the subject of your email "2017 Scholarship Submission-[last name, first name]"
 - Please make sure all your attachments have your name in the title

Application Deadline: 5pm EST Friday, April 14, 2017

Selection Committee: Mary Ferguson (Fergy's wife), Kelly Ferguson (Fergy's daughter), Kate Groot (former student c/o 2008), Blythe Wood (Rams Booster Club member and friend)

Notification of Selection: 1 recipient will be selected for this scholarship based on the merits shown in this application. The recipient will be notified by email and/or phone call at the latest by May 19th, 2017 and should plan to attend the Senior Awards to accept the award.

If you have questions about this application please contact:

Kate Groot at admkatfish@gmail.com

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Student Contact Information:

Name (Miss/Mr, First, Middle, Last):

Address:

Phone Number:

Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY):

Email Address (where you will be notified):

Email Address to contact you after graduation (if different than above):

Post-Secondary School Plans:

Post-Secondary School Name:

Post-Secondary School City, State:

Planned Major or Course of Study:

Short Essay: Please answer ONE of the following prompts in 300 words or less

1. What does “strength and humility through adversity” mean to you?
2. What role do sports and athleticism play in your life and how do you plan to continue that after high school?