



Father-Daughter Scholarship In Memory of Richard J. Meyer

Dear Applicant,

The inspiration behind the Father-Daughter Scholarship is the act of paying it forward. When I was a senior at Lyons Township High School (class of 2003), I received a scholarship from Lisa, also an LT graduate, who created her scholarship in memory of her father to recognize students for “Outstanding accomplishments through the loss of a parent”. My dad died from pancreatic cancer during my junior year in high school and Lisa’s scholarship empowered me. During my freshman year at the University of Iowa, I told Lisa I was still impacted by the scholarship she gave me and I wanted to pay it forward by creating a new scholarship with a unique twist. While Lisa honored students who lost a parent, I knew I could reach to the other side of the rainbow and honor girls who can express their gratitude for their current relationship with their father. With Lisa’s encouragement and the gratitude I had for my relationship with my dad, I created the Father-Daughter Scholarship *In Memory of Richard J. Meyer* and have granted 40+ scholarships since 2003. In 2015 the scholarship grew into the Father-Daughter Foundation *In Memory of Richard J. Meyer*, a registered 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization with a board of directors who assists with reviewing the scholarship applications.

The father-daughter relationship between me and my dad was very special; an unbreakable bond built on the foundation of love, support, guidance, encouragement, a passion to help others and a whole lot of laughs. Whenever given the chance to embrace a friend who wasn’t as fortunate to have a healthy, positive and fun father-daughter relationship, we included them and paid our appreciation forward. I enjoyed bringing friends into my father-daughter relationship and sharing the joy and fun I had with my dad. Now, with over a decade’s worth of success for the Father-Daughter Scholarship, on behalf of myself and the board of directors we look forward to being inspired by your story, hearing about your gratitude for your father-daughter relationship and learning how you can use your influential edge to help and inspire others in need.

Annie (Meyer) Vitale
Founder & President

REQUIREMENTS:

1. Suggested GPA = 3.0 or higher
2. Must be attending a two or four year school next year
3. Must be a female from the graduating class of LTHS in LaGrange, IL
4. Must have a positive relationship with your father

Please complete attached application

*****INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED*****

PROCEDURES:

- 1. Please include the following information to be shared with the selection committee. Your information will be kept private and will not be shared, distributed, or sold. This information is solely for the purpose of getting to know you better and allowing us to stay in touch with you in the future.

Date Submitted: ____/____/____

Name: _____

Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Home Address: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____ Relationship to you: _____ E-mail: _____

Parent/Guardian marital status(optional): married / separated / divorced /widower / single parent-guardian

Number of siblings: ____ Brothers ____ Sisters

E-Mail Address (Provide an e-mail address where you can be reached after graduation): _____

Please note as part of our due diligence the selection committee will be reviewing public media accounts such as Facebook, Instagram, Twitter etc.

Student I.D. #: _____

Class of: _____

GPA: _____

What is your intended course of study next year? _____

	Name of University or College	Date Applied:	Date of Acceptance/Pending:
1)	_____	____/____/____	_____
2)	_____	____/____/____	_____
3)	_____	____/____/____	_____
4)	_____	____/____/____	_____

- 2. Please include a copy of your unofficial transcript from Infinite Campus, the student information system.
- 3. Please include a picture(s) of you with your father.
- 4. Please include at least one letter of recommendation.
Who in your life can reflect on the relationship between you and your dad? Ask them politely if they would read about this scholarship and write a letter on your behalf explaining why you deserve to be the next recipient of the Father-Daughter Scholarship *In Memory of Richard J. Meyer*. Remember, everyone’s time is limited and valuable and writing a letter of recommendation can take days or even a week. Visit www.FatherDaughterFoundation.org for details on submitting your letter of recommendation.
- 5. In list format, specify extracurricular activities, as well as part-time jobs.
- 6. Explain any special circumstances/needs you would like to identify.
- 7. Please answer the following essay questions by typing your answers in essay format or by submitting a video. Your typed application or video submission must be submitted between February 1-March 8, 2018. Visit www.FatherDaughterFoundation.org for details on submitting.

- a. Reflect on your father-daughter relationship describing your best memories.
- b. What strengths and skillsets has your dad instilled in you/given you?
- c. How have these strengths and skillsets given you confidence, empowered you and given you an influential edge to navigate through life?
- d. With all that you have learned from your happy and healthy relationship with your dad, how would you help a friend who doesn't have that same relationship or it was problematic with her dad?

Typed Essay Submission:

All questions must be at least **300 words each**.

Video Submission:

Submitting a video gives you the opportunity to add additional creativity but please make sure to answer the essay questions within your video. The video should be **3 to 5 minutes in length**.

⑧ Sign the release below.

I hereby grant permission to the Father-Daughter Foundation *in Memory of Richard J. Meyer* to reproduce any portion of the photo or the video I am submitting with my application for the foundation's scholarship. The photo/video has been taken/recorded by _____ (Photographer's full name) for the purpose of self-use and/or self-promotion and can be used on the foundation's newsletters, website, or other promotions or materials without any compensation or recognition given to me. Furthermore, I grant creative permission to alter the photograph for purpose of graphic layouts, both in print and online. I do not grant permission for the sale or use of the photograph or video in a manner that would exploit or cause malicious representation toward me and my associates.

If you are submitting or including any professional photographs or videos, please make sure to include the photo/video release form from the professional.

Any infringements of this policy may violate federal law.

If you are under the age of 18 please include a Parent/Guardian signature.

Print Name of Applicant	Signature of Applicant	Date
Print Name of Parent or Guardian	Signature of Parent or Guardian	Date