



2018 Merle Allshouse Scholarship Application

Merle Allshouse was a committed Guardian ad Litem volunteer with a lifelong passion for social justice and a fervent champion of providing accessible learning to all. Merle passed away in the Spring of 2016 and his family wanted to honor his passion for education and service to the Guardian ad Litem Program by creating an educational fund to support youth in care. This annual scholarship award will be given to one or more youth each year who is pursuing post-secondary education.

Applicant Last Name: _____ Applicant First Name: _____

Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy): _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Mailing Address Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Type of Placement: Relative Caregiver Non-Relative Caregiver Group Home

In Home or Re-unified Family Aged Out of Care Other _____

Name and Location of High School Attending/ed (if GED, please note): _____

Cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA): _____

List any academic honors, awards and membership activities while in high school: _____

List your hobbies, outside interests, extracurricular activities and volunteer activities and/or employment:

Name and Location of School You Will Attend in the Fall: _____

What are your plans for the future and how will attending a college/university/trade school, etc. help you to realize those plans: _____

The Guardian ad Litem Foundation of Tampa Bay will be giving one \$1000 scholarship for a deserving student for use for the Fall Semester of 2018. All applicants are encouraged to answer one or both of the following questions in the medium of which they excel. For some students that will be a written essay, for another it might be a photo essay, a series of paintings or sculpture(s), or perhaps a video or multi-media project or combination of several of these. All applicants will be considered on an equal basis regardless of the manner in which they decide to answer.

1. Please tell us about a time you overcame a significant challenge in your life.
2. How has your Guardian ad Litem made a difference in your life?

If awarded a scholarship what will you use the funds* for? _____

**Funds will be paid to the entity directly, ie. If the request is for books, the funds will be paid to the store where books will be purchased.*

Will you receive any of the following*?

PESS Extended Foster Care Tuition & Fee Exemption

**Checking any of these does not affect your scholarship application in any way.*