Rene Lepiane Leadership Award

As a Catholic member of Notre Dame’s incoming Class of 2022 we invite you to apply for the Rene Lepiane Leadership Award. The chosen recipient, a student who has demonstrated leadership skills in her school and/or community, will be awarded a scholarship in the amount of $1,000 that will be distributed in $250 payments over four years.

To qualify you must have held a leadership position this past year either at your school or in an after school activity, maintained an overall GPA of 3.0 or higher, submit a letter of recommendation and write a short essay.

If you would like to be considered for this award, please submit your application by end of day Monday, May 7, 2018. The winner will be notified by June 7, 2018.

The Rene Lepiane Leadership Award was created in honor of Rene Lepiane, director of student leadership and activities from 2006 until her passing in August of 2010. The Rene Lepiane Scholarship Fund has been established to recognize exceptional young women who exemplify the same characteristics Rene taught her students. Her extraordinary warmth and compassion were gifts she bestowed on the Notre Dame students, faculty/staff, community, and many others. Ms. Lepiane supported, nurtured, empowered, and equipped each young woman with the skills she would need to make the right choices in her life journey. She had the ability to see each girl for who she was, challenge her strengths, and encourage and guide young women to develop new ways of using their leadership skills to better their world.

The following guidelines are set forth as criteria for the award:

• A scholarship in the amount of $1,000 will be distributed in $250 payments over four years.
  o Students must be in good standing both socially and academically (GPA or 3.0 or higher).
  o Students must have held a leadership position this past year either at school or in an after school activity.

Application and Selection process:

• All application materials must be submitted by end of the day May 7, 2018. These will include:
  o Completed application form including all personal data and the signatures of your current school principal.
  o A short essay telling us about a time when you were challenged to show leadership, and what qualities you feel make a person a good leader.
  o A letter of recommendations from a teacher or coach that addresses your leadership ability and character.

• Recipient responsibilities:
  o Be an ambassador for Notre Dame High School at all times and adhere to all school policies as outlined in the student handbook.
  o Share a letter of gratitude to the Lepiane family through the selection committee.
  o Write a short article about your leadership experiences during your freshman year for publication.

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Rene Lepiane Leadership Award
Application

PERSONAL DATA:

Name: __________________________________________________________________

Last          First     MI

Address___________________________________________________________________________________________

                      Street        City   State   Zip Code

Home Phone: ________________________________

Email: __________________________________________________

Parent/Guardian Names:_____________________________________________________________________________

On a 4.0 scale please list your GPA (last semester): ________GPA (last year): ________

Leadership Positions held this past year: (Please include name and phone number of adult supervisor/leader/coach)

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Principal Name_______________________________ Principal Signature_____________________________________

School: _____________________________________

Essay & Letter of Recommendation Instructions

Essay: In an essay of no more than 300 words please respond to the following:

Tell us about a time when you were challenged to show leadership, and what qualities you feel make a person a good leader.

Letter of Recommendation: Provide in a sealed envelope a letter of recommendation from a teacher or coach that addresses your leadership abilities and character.

Applications are due May 7, 2018.

Please mail or drop off your application, essay and sealed letter of recommendation:

Notre Dame
Lepiane Leadership Application
596 South Second Street
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