



Laura A. Braun Memorial Scholarship

Laura graduated from Athens High School in 1990. Laura was diagnosed with Juvenile Rheumatoid Arthritis at 8 years of age. She endured a lifelong battle of aches and pains which slowed her down, but she never gave up.

Laura's life always included children. After graduation, she operated an in-home daycare before establishing the first childcare center in Athens, WI; Learning Tree Childcare. After working there for ten years, she worked at Hartmann's Deli for four years. In 2010, Laura moved to Prescott, WI to care for her nieces and other neighborhood children. When her youngest niece started school, Laura followed by becoming a special education paraprofessional for the Prescott School District for three years.

Above all, Laura had a deep love for spending time with family and friends. On any given day, Laura could persuade you into one of the many activities she enjoyed such as card games, board games, bingo, shaking dice, pull tabs, wine making, canning, pickling, decorating for the seasons, playing poker, and taking a chance in a raffle. The more people the better. She loved listening to classic country and even singing along once in a while.

To honor Laura and her love for children the family of Laura Braun will be offering one (1) Scholarship of \$500.00 to a graduating senior from Athens High School to be used for the pursuit of a post-secondary degree in the field of Early Childhood or Elementary Education.

Preference may be given to applicants demonstrating a strong commitment to children in their volunteer work and future educational pursuits.

Funds will be disbursed after successful completion of one semester at a post-secondary institution and upon a written request to the School District of Athens, along with a copy of first semester grades and proof of enrollment for the second semester.

All information shall be forwarded to: The School District of Athens; Attn: Bev Braun; P.O. Box F; Athens, WI 54411

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Deadline: April 15 (of the year applied for)

Use this form as an outline and complete application on separate sheets of paper.

1. Name:
2. Address:
3. Date of Birth:
4. Parent's Name and Address:
5. Father's and Mother's Occupation:
6. Name of Brothers/Sisters:
7. Activities showing leadership (state in detail)
 - a. Youth organizations (Girl and Boy Scouts, FFA, FHA, 4-H, Etc...)
 - b. Church
 - c. Other
8. Post-Secondary school I plan to attend:
9. Plans for financing your post-secondary career:
10. Describe an experience from your past that drove your interest in pursuing a career in child care/education
 - a. Professional Goals
 - b. Personal Goals
11. Recommendation from one teacher:

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Send a copy of first semester grades and proof of enrollment for the second semester to:

**School District of Athens
Attn: Bev Braun
PO Box F, Athens, WI 54411**

Return completed application to the School Counseling Office