# AMY WALLACE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

## administered by the Elizabeth Forward Alumni & Friends Association

#### ABOUT THE AMY WALLACE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

The scholarship was established by friends and family of the late Amy Lynn Wallace, 1992 graduate of EF High School and 1999 California University of Pennsylvania and who served the EF schools as a dedicated school psychologist. This scholarship remembers the contributions, dedication, service, and love Amy gave throughout her career at EF.

## TERMS OF THE SCHOLARSHIP

One \$2,000 scholarship will be awarded to a graduating senior at Elizabeth Forward High School. Applicants should intend to pursue any post-secondary training in general. In addition, consideration will be given to students wishing to pursue a major in special education or the area of child/adolescent psychology. Students with IEPs are encouraged to apply.

## SELECTION PROCESS AND CRITIERIA

The Scholarship Selection Committee will review all completed applications. All applicants regardless of IEP status must have a minimum 2.5 GPA and show sustained participation in community service and/or school extracurricular activities, as well as a response to the applicable prompt below. A reference letter from a school guidance counselor, special education instructor, or school psychologist is required. While the scholarship is not targeted to one particular institution, applicants bound for Penn West-California *may* be given special consideration thus, a copy of the acceptance letter from that institution would be deemed necessary.

## NOTIFICATION AND RECEIPT OF SCHOLARSHIP

The recipient will be notified by early May via e-mail and a confirmation letter. The letter will inform the recipient of what needs to be provided to EFAFA to receive the scholarship. Information relating to a required thank you letter will be included with the confirmation letter.

#### THE APPLICATION

- 1. Using word processing, submit the following information. Include the number/letter of the item when providing your information.
  - a. Name of the scholarship for which you are applying:
  - b. Your name:
  - c. Home Address:
  - d. Home Telephone Number:
  - e. Cell Telephone Number:
  - f. Texting Number:
  - g. E-mail Address:
  - h. Name of the college/university you plan to attend:
  - i. Name of intended major:

- j. Briefly explain why you believe you meet the criteria for this scholarship:
- k. Reference letter from a school guidance counselor, special education teacher, or school psychologist. If attending Penn West University, include a letter of acceptance.
- I. Write one 200-300-word essay (double-spaced) that applies to your specific career path:
  - i. IF you wish to attend a post-secondary institution of any level, tell us how your special education teachers and/or the school psychologist guided you toward your career path?
    - <u>OR</u>
  - <u>ii.</u> IF you wish specifically to pursue psychology, education, or special education, what qualities, skills, or traits do you possess that you believe would help you to be an effective special education teacher or a school psychologist?
- 2. As a separate document, prepare an up-to-date personal resume that includes your academic achievements, senior-year courses, extracurricular activities, community service, etc.
- 3. Email the application, the essay, the letter of reference, and the resume as separate PDF attachments to EFAFA.Board@gmail.com as soon as possible but not later than February 28. The filename must indicate the specific scholarship and the component of the application, for example: amywallace\_application.pdf and amywallace\_essay.pdf. Place the name of the scholarship in the Subject heading.