

# The Don McCleary Trade Scholarship

## *Offered thru Mars Planet Foundation*

Don McCleary was a resident of Mars, PA and Cocoa Beach, FL. Don did not come from any family money but did come from a family with a strong work ethic. Don knew college was not an option for him and sought out a career in the trades where he ended up owning 4 companies around heating and cooling. Those companies employed well over 100 people throughout Western PA. His former employees still keep in contact with the family, which shows the appreciation everyone had for Don.

Our family has given much thought as to how we can best honor Don's memory and determined a scholarship to help young people reach their full potential would be a fitting Legacy. We will be specifically looking for applicants pursuing a career in the trades field who meet the below requirements. The scholarship will not be based solely on academic merit. Consideration will be given to those students who exhibit outstanding personal qualities such as a solid work ethic, integrity, a positive attitude, and a strong desire to reach their goals. The amount of the scholarship is targeted at \$2,000 per awardee (depending upon funding each year).

### Instructions

- Please complete the attached application to apply for the Don McCleary Trade Scholarship. Submit your completed application in an envelope to **your school's guidance counselor** no later than March before graduation.

### Requirements

- Must be a graduating senior at Mars or Seneca Valley High Schools and a graduating senior at Butler County Area Vocational Technical School.
- Must be a hard worker with a respectable GPA (especially within VoTec)
- Must exhibit outstanding personal qualities
- Good attendance record
- Must submit proof of acceptance/verification to the Trade School that they will be attending
- Must be furthering their education in one of the following trades: Heating/Cooling, Automotive Technology, Building Trades, Carpentry, Collision Repair, Heavy Equipment Repair or Welding

### Scholarship Information

- This scholarship will be awarded annually to new individuals in memory of Don McCleary. A check will be made payable directly to the trade school for the students benefit.

# The Don McCleary Trade Scholarship Application

Legal Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name of High School \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Date \_\_\_\_\_

Shop Grade Average \_\_\_\_\_ Shop Teacher Name \_\_\_\_\_

I will be attending the following College/Technical School  
\_\_\_\_\_

Please circle if you are currently on CO-OP **YES or NO** (if yes) Name of employer \_\_\_\_\_

The information I have supplied is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I have reviewed the program rules on the following page and agree to be bound by them.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

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Date