

## **University of Pittsburgh Scholarship Fund Established by the Manerino Family**

The University of Pittsburgh Scholarship Fund was established by Audrey Manerino in her last will and testament to honor her late husband, Dr. Albert 'Al' Manerino. Dr. and Mrs. Manerino were both educators and active members of the Mars community. Al Manerino received his Doctorate in Education from the University of Pittsburgh and was a former superintendent of the Mars Areas School District for fifteen (15) years. Audrey had been a physical education teacher for the North Hills School District.

### **Purpose:**

The University of Pittsburgh Scholarship Fund established by the Manerino Family provides a scholarship in the amount of \$2500 to any student from the Mars Area School District who matriculates and attends the University of Pittsburgh. Per Mrs. Manerino's will, this \$2500 scholarship is for the freshman year only and is to be given to as many students who qualify in any given year. The scholarship fund will be available to Mars graduates for twenty years or until the funds have all been distributed, whichever comes first. Available funds will support twenty-two (22) scholarships. This scholarship fund is administered by the Mars Planet Foundation, [www.marsplanetfoundation.org](http://www.marsplanetfoundation.org).

### **Criteria:**

- Be accepted to the University of Pittsburgh (main or branch campus).
- Provide proof of matriculation and enrollment to the University of Pittsburgh.

### **Applicants must submit the following:**

To qualify for the University of Pittsburgh Scholarship established by the Manerino Family, a graduating senior shall submit the following items:

1. Completed student information form (see attached).
2. Copy of your acceptance letter to the University of Pittsburgh (main or branch campus).
3. Proof of matriculation to the University of Pittsburgh. Submit one of the following as proof of enrollment at the University of Pittsburgh:
  - Copy of receipt for registration deposit.
  - Class schedule showing student's name & University name.
  - Tuition invoice showing student's name & University name.
  - Any similar document that indicates student is enrolled and will be attending the University of Pittsburgh.

Once these documents are received by the Mars Planet Foundation, the scholarship check (\$2500) will be provided to the student.

**Submission Deadline:**

- To be awarded this scholarship at the Academic Banquet, application & all required documents must be received by **Wednesday, April 15, 2020**.
- For applications received after April 15, 2020, eligible applicants will be awarded the scholarship after all required documents are received and verified by the Mars Planet Foundation Scholarship Committee.
- Applications may be submitted to the Mars Planet Foundation up until the first day of classes at the University of Pittsburgh.

**Please submit required documents to Ms. Beth Yankel in the High School Guidance Office.**

**If documents are not available until after the last day of school, please mail documents to the Mars Planet Foundation at the following address:**

Mars Planet Foundation  
PO Box 1031  
Mars, PA 16046

If you have questions regarding eligibility or the application process, please contact the Mars Area High School Senior Guidance Counselor.

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***Student Information Form***

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Phone #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Submit completed form to Ms. Beth Yankel in the High School Guidance office along with the following:**

- **Acceptance letter to the University of Pittsburgh (main or branch campus).**
- **Proof of matriculation to the University of Pittsburgh. (Can be submitted at a later date once decision to attend the University of Pittsburgh is made.)**