

# The Ann Ahearn Commitment to Diversity and Inclusion Scholarship

## Applicant Information

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Last First M.I.*

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Street Address Apartment/Unit #*

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*City State ZIP Code*

Cumulative GPA \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Are you African American, Asian Pacific Islander American, Hispanic/Latino, or Native American? Yes:  No:

## Requirements

**In order to move on to the next step in the application process, students must meet the following criteria:**

- Applicant is a current Monona Grove high school senior
- Has been admitted into a college and/or post-secondary school after high school (provide/attach documentation showing plans for secondary education)
- Is at least one of the following: African American, Asian Pacific Islander American, Hispanic/Latino, or Native American
- Applicants must turn in a typed, 12 pt. Times New Roman font, double spaced essay
- Essays must be between 500-750 words (grammar and punctuation will be considered when scoring)
- Completed Applications are due on or before April 1st
- Submit completed applications to [edfoundation@mgschools.net](mailto:edfoundation@mgschools.net)

## Scholarship Information

The Ann Ahearn Commitment to Diversity and Inclusion Scholarship integrates a passion for social justice and equity, with the desire to make a college degree more affordable for a high school student of color. A scholarship will be awarded each year to a college-bound high school senior in the Monona Grove School District who has exhibited the qualities and ideals that Ann displayed throughout her life. To be considered, the student must demonstrate significant community engagement and inclusion efforts throughout their time in high school. Applicants should come from a diverse background, display a passion for education and learning, and demonstrate leadership skills, kindness, courage, and respect.

Ann Ahearn's life was filled with generosity, grace, selfless compassion, and a quiet ferocity to create a stronger and more equitable community for all minority children in the district. Her passion stemmed from the love of her two children, Kamu and Malia. Through them, and with her husband Jim, she drew her strength. Ann's fortitude was admired by all who knew her. Ann created an army of champions for children, from parents and teachers, to district leadership staff. Ann continuously worked to educate others through the sharing of personal experiences, and celebration of cultural diversity, all while working to rebuild trust in our community. The student who will be awarded this scholarship will best exemplify Ann's unwavering determination, strength, and fortitude; showcasing how they have used these qualities to fight for equity.

## Scholarship Essay Question

***How have you promoted an inclusive and engaged community during your time in high school?***