



## **MARGERY LAKER BATES SCHOLARSHIP**

### *Guidelines*

- 1. Name:** Margery Laker Bates Scholarship
- 2. Established:** This scholarship was established by Margery and Warren Bates. Margery Laker Bates taught school for 31 years-30 of those in the Springfield Public Schools. Her last years were spent teaching art. After retirement in 1990, Margery still showed her interest in the education of young people by teaching at Drury College for six years and as serving as president of the SEA Scholarship Corporation. SEA scholarship transferred to the FFSPS in 2008.
- 3. Amount:** The amount of the scholarship will vary each year according to interest earned on the corpus of the fund. The award amount should not exceed the available interest earned unless the difference would be supplemented from other sources.
- 4. Purpose:** To assist a Springfield High School senior in pursuing their education.
- 5. Criteria:**
  - A. This scholarship will be awarded annually to a graduating senior of a Springfield High School who plans to be an elementary school teacher. This scholarship will rotate between the R-12 High Schools on an annual basis.
  - B. Application must rank in the upper one-fourth of the graduating class, demonstrate good citizenship, leadership, dependability, initiative, perseverance and seriousness of purpose.
  - C. Applicant must have demonstrated financial need and limited resources to continue with their education.
- 6. Procedure:**
  - A. Scholarship will be awarded to a graduating senior.
  - B. The High School scholarship selection committee will make their recipient recommendation.
  - C. After receiving proof of enrollment, the Foundation shall send a check payable to that institution.
  - D. The scholarship will not be renewable. If there is no suitable applicant for a particular academic year, the scholarship will not be awarded that year only and will be awarded the following year based on the same protocol.