

## **THE MERRITT AWARD**

**PURPOSE** - The Merritt Award was established in memory of the late Mr. Murray Merritt and the late Mrs. Marion Merritt, of Chatham, and their dedication to the students they taught and to young people through their involvement in community organizations.

**AWARD** - A scholarship in an amount to be determined from the income of the fund, of not less than \$250 and not more than \$350, will be given annually to recognize, encourage and assist a student graduating from Chatham-Kent Secondary School or John McGregor Secondary School, who aspires to a career in education as a teacher at the elementary or secondary school level.

### **CONDITIONS OF AWARD**

- The recipient should aspire to become a member of the teaching profession, after the appropriate post-secondary training.
- Candidates for this award will have contributed to the betterment of their school's environment, through both personal traits and their involvement in extra-curricular activities.
- Candidates will have exhibited characteristics typical of a strong and sensitive teacher.
- The candidate will have earned above average results in a minimum of six 4U (University) and/or 4M (University/College) destination courses, and will have demonstrated particular proficiency in English 4U. Applicants will be graduates of Chatham-Kent Secondary School or John McGregor Secondary School.
- The award should be balanced between male and female recipients, in recognition of it being established in honour of a married couple.
- The candidate must provide proof of the enrollment in a Canadian University to the Administrator – Chatham-Kent Public Education Student Assistance Foundation prior to receiving the award.
- It is recognized that it may be impractical in practice for a recipient to meet all of the criteria defined herein; however, adherence to the spirit of these criteria by those responsible for selection will be acceptable.

### **APPLICATION PROCEDURE**

- Applications must be submitted to the Principal of the public Secondary School from which the student will graduate by May 31<sup>st</sup> of the year of graduation from secondary school.
- Application forms can also be obtained from the respective Student Services Offices.
- The Administrator – Chatham-Kent Public Education Student Assistance Foundation will co-ordinate selection of the successful applicant.
- All applicants will be informed by June 30 whether or not they have been successful.

### **Students must attach their most recent transcript of marks.**

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Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City/Town \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_

Graduate of \_\_\_\_\_ Secondary School \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

Post-Secondary School Attending \_\_\_\_\_ Course \_\_\_\_\_

**N.B. On the reverse of this form, the applicant must provide a brief outline of the importance of receiving this award, addressing the 'Conditions' listed above.**

Principal's Recommendation: (Please include student's average)

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Principal's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_