

SELECTION GUIDELINES

CAROLYN ECK SCHOLARSHIP

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE:

Carolyn Eck established the Carolyn Eck Scholarship award in 2015 for the purpose of providing support for an outstanding aspiring secondary mathematics teacher. It was established in recognition of both the importance of having excellent teachers to sustain strong secondary school mathematics programs and the university's commitment to training those teachers.

BACKGROUND:

A lifelong resident of Lauderdale County, Alabama, Carolyn Eckl Eck received three degrees from this university. In 1965, she received a Bachelors' degree with a double major in mathematics and chemistry from Florence State College; in 1974, she received a Masters' degree in mathematics education from Florence State University; in 1978, she received an EDS degree in educational leadership from the University of North Alabama. She began a forty-two year career in public education in 1965 at Russellville High School where she taught for one year. In August, 1966, she began teaching mathematics at the newly opened Bradshaw High where she remained until 2004 when Coffee High and Bradshaw High consolidated to become Florence High School. She taught at Florence High School until 2007 when she retired. Mrs. Eck was also an adjunct professor at Northwest Shoals Community College and at the University of North Alabama. Awards and honors she received include Alabama Secondary Teacher of the Year, Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics Teaching, and Tandy Technology Scholar. Since retirement, she taught part-time for one year at Shoals Christian School. Her husband passed away in 2009 and she continues to live on the farm on which she grew up. She presently tutors students in mathematics and is involved in the lives of her five grandchildren.

OBJECTIVES:

- To recognize aspiring secondary math teacher(s) for excellence
- To provide support for textbooks, tuition, or conference travel
- To provide financial support during internship

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Full-time student with sophomore standing or higher
- Mathematics and Secondary Education Major
- 3.0 GPA

APPLICATION GUIDELINES:

1. Students who wish to apply must submit the application and supporting documents by **February 15**.
2. Scholarship winners will be determined by **March 1**.
3. Recipients will receive funds at the start of the following Fall semester.

APPLICATION
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PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name: _____

Address: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Current GPA: _____

Anticipated Semester for Internship: _____

Attach the Following Documents

PROFESSIONAL GOALS

In no more than one typed, double-spaced page, describe why you wish to teach mathematics and what you hope your contribution to the profession will be.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

In no more than one typed, double-spaced page describe why you would like to receive the Carolyn Eck Scholarship. You may include but you are not limited to:

- Conferences
- Support during Internship
- Tuition
- Books

Return this application and supporting documents no later than February 15.