

## **TOM ANDERSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship will be made available each year to a student who is planning to pursue a career in Business. The Foundation may allocate funds to one or more qualifying applicants, but the sum of all financial allocations must not exceed five hundred dollars (\$500) in any one year.

The scholarship is available to a deserving student who is currently enrolled in Grade 12 at Monsignor McCoy High School.

### **Eligibility:**

1. Student must have completed the high school requirement for their choice of post-secondary study appropriate to the institution they plan to attend.
2. Student has been accepted to attend a post-secondary institution to pursue a Business related career. The scholarship will be awarded when the Foundation receives proof of registration.
3. The award will not be based on highest marks but on a desire to do one's best.
4. This is a diligence based award and will be offered to a student who has worked hard and shown improvement over the year with an excellent attitude and effort.
5. The award will be based on evidence of initiative, commitment and determination to complete their education, as well as such things as volunteer activity, general attitude, and school involvement.

### **Selection of Award Winner:**

1. Candidate(s) will be proposed by the Principal, or designate, to the Foundation. The student will apply for this scholarship by sending a written request. The application should include background information that would qualify him/her for this award, as well as what they are planning to do for their future career.
2. Documents must be submitted to the Foundation no later than September 1<sup>st</sup>. All applicants will be notified regarding decision by September 30<sup>th</sup>.

### **Background:**

*Tom Anderson was a Certified Management Accountant. He started off working in maintenance for the City of Edmonton after graduating from high school. He pursued his education and articulated to become an accountant. Tom began his accounting career working for post-secondary educational institutes in Alberta: he was at Red Deer College for many years and was a key senior manager in developing and implementing all administrative functions for the Alberta College of Art (now known as Alberta College of Art and Design) for several years. He and a former colleague then formed their own Accounting practice with offices in St. Albert and Wetaskiwin. Tom sold his practice because of his health at the time.*

*Tom Anderson served as the Assistant Secretary-Treasurer at Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education (MHCBE) for several years. Tom was always known as a very kind man, who loved being with people. He enjoyed his work at MHCBE so much that he commuted from Lethbridge and then from Red Deer. Tom had a great sense of humour; he was quick with a joke and made the board office staff smile. Tom was a very hard worker who did his job for the betterment of students. When Tom wasn't working he enjoyed golf, playing the game at every opportunity. Tom always participated in the Catholic Foundation annual golf tournament and it should be noted that he was very good at the sport. He was a tremendous family man and they were always at the forefront of his thoughts. Tom Anderson was a great example of what the Medicine Hat Catholic Schools' are all about!*

\*This scholarship will expire in 2019 or when the fund is depleted.

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