

## **The Nicole Brunke Scholarship**

Nicole Brunke, a graduate of Resurrection College Prep High School's class of 1989, dedicated her life to caring for other people. Nicole found her calling to become a nurse at a young age. She began volunteering at Resurrection Hospital as a candy stripper when she was only 12 years old, and advanced to a position as nursing assistant when she turned 16. She especially loved working on the pediatrics floor spending time cheering up the children. Aside from all her time spent at the hospital, Nicole was an active student at Res. She was a crew member for two Little Theatre productions, a member of both the Spanish and Science clubs, and waitressed at the Resurrection Retirement Community.

Nicole graduated with an Associate Degree in Nursing in 1992 and became a Registered Nurse. After working at Resurrection Hospital for 3 years, she decided she wanted to experience other parts of the United States, so she enrolled in a traveling nursing program and worked in hospitals in Florida, New York, and California. Nicole returned to Chicago to work in Northwestern Medical Center's Intensive Care Unit in 1997. In her time away from work, she volunteered at a medical clinic for the underprivileged. On a more personal note, Nicole loved spending time with friends and family. She enjoyed baking and cooking, offering friends and family samples of and copies of new recipes.

Nicole had a great love of life and was always seeking out new experiences. She had made her life's work helping others. Unfortunately, Nicole's life was cut short when she was involved in a fatal automobile accident on May 23, 1998. She will always be remembered for the big smile she offered to everyone she met. In honor of Nicole, the Brunke family has set up an endowed scholarship fund to award a partial tuition scholarship annually to one Res student.

### **Eligibility**

Applicants must:

1. Be a current freshmen, sophomore or junior student in good standing at Resurrection College Prep High School *and* enrolled for the following school year.
2. Demonstrate financial need.\*
3. Have current (or recent) volunteer experience in a health care facility or organization.
4. Must have interest in pursuing a health-related career.

\* Need will be assessed by the FACTS Student Financial Aid Application

- ✓ The Nicole Brunke Scholarship is a \$1,500 tuition scholarship.
- ✓ Scholarship will be forfeited if recipient does not complete the academic year for which it is awarded

### **APPLICATION ATTACHED**

**Applications must be returned no later than January 8, 2018.**  
**Award will be presented at the beginning of the 2018-19 school year.**



## Nicole Brunke Scholarship Application

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class of \_\_\_\_\_

Current GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ Guidance Counselor: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*\*IMPORTANT\*\*\***

*To be eligible for this scholarship, you must also complete and return the FACTS Student Financial Aid Application.*

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On a separate sheet of paper, answer each of the following questions with a brief essay (2-4 paragraphs). Please type or write clearly.

1. Describe your volunteer experience in a health care facility or organization. Please include where and when you volunteer, and what the experience has meant to you.
2. Explain what type of health-related career you might like to pursue in the future. Why does this field interest you?

**We declare the information reported in this application is true, correct and complete:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent/Guardian

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Date

**Completed applications are due by January 8, 2018.**

Please submit completed application (with attached essays) to:

Resurrection College Prep High School

Alisa Martorano

7500 West Talcott Avenue

Chicago, IL 60631

For more information, call 773-775-6616, Ext. 142.