



**Mary Ellen Schurtz Scholarship • Assumption Regional Catholic School
Faith • Community • Education**

The Mary Ellen Schurtz Scholarship honors the memory of Assumption principal and woman of faith: Mary Ellen Schurtz. In her time with Assumption as both educator and principal, she sought to build a future filled with faith, community, and a sense of family in the next generation.

The young women who met Mary Ellen were embolden by her sense of purpose and the young men whom she taught understood that all interactions must be borne through compassion. Mary Ellen Schurtz sought to help young students believe in education, through peace and perseverance, and wished that each of them would mature in both a faith in God and a belief in the importance of a Catholic education.

It is within these principals of faith, community, and education that the Mary Ellen Schurtz Scholarship is proud to offer two grants in her memory to one Lower House student and one Upper House Student at Assumption Regional Catholic School.



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Guidelines for Eligibility

I affirm that I meet the following criterion for eligibility:

- I will be attending Assumption Regional Catholic School for the entirety of the 2020-2021 school year.
- I am in need of financial aid for tuition or else it would cause my family financial hardship for me to attend Assumption Regional Catholic School.

Checklist

I have provide the following required application materials:

- **A completed Scholarship Application.**
- **An essay answering the question on page 4 of the application**
- **A recommendation form from a current teacher at Assumption Regional Catholic School**
- **An official school record: most recent report card**
- **Submission of the application to:**
Assumption Regional Catholic School
Attn: Mary Ellen Schurtz Scholarship
146 S Pitney Rd, Galloway, NJ 08205

Application Due Date: Wednesday, May 20

Signature

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent or Guardian Name: _____

Parent or Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____



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Application for Scholarship

Applicant Information

Full Name:		
	Last	First

Address:		
	Street Address	Apt./Unit #
	City & State	Zip Code

Home Phone: (____) _____ - _____

Parent Cell Phone: (____) _____ - _____

Applicant E-mail: _____

Parent E-mail: _____

Current School Grade: _____

Upper House / Lower House

Circle one

Community Involvement

List all volunteer and community service activities during the past two years:

Type of Activity	Hours/week	Position	Date

Extracurricular Activities

List extracurricular activities in the order of their interest to you during the past two years:

Type of Activity	Position	Date

Awards and Honors

List all academic and community honors from last two years:

Honors	Date

Response – Lower House Student

STUDENT RESPONSE: The lower house students can either write a tradition essay, draw a picture and provide an explanation of the picture, submit a video essay (submit the video on a flash drive, it will be returned to the student), or complete an interview with a parent/guardian that the parent transcribes.

Churches are meant for praising God, as are Catholic Schools. But so are 2am car rides, showers, coffee shops, the gym, or conversations with friends...Don't let a building confine your faith because we cannot change the world by just going to church on Sunday, we need to be the church.

Please reflect on the above idea, in your time as a student; please discuss a situation where you brought the church into your daily life. How do you work to be bring this into your life the best you can?

Essay – Upper House Student

STUDENT ESSAY: In a 1-2 page HAND written response or a video (submit the video on a flash drive, it will be returned to the student), please answer the following prompt.

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At the core of this reflection remains the concept that the church and faith are part of every Catholic's daily life. Please explain how you can make the lessons of the church part of your daily life and how the teachings of a Catholic education shape you as a young person of faith.

Teacher Recommendation

Applicant's Instructions: Complete the relevant information. Then, please give a copy of this form to one current ARCS teacher who can assess your academic and other relevant skills and abilities.

Recommender's Instructions: Please complete form and sign and date at the bottom. Place this completed form in a sealed envelope, signed by you across the flap, and return the envelope to the student.

Section A — The applicant completes this section.

Applicant's Name (last, first: please print): _____

Applicant's Certification:

I certify that I am requesting a recommendation from an ARCS teacher of my choosing which will be included in my Mary Ellen Schurtz Scholarship application. My application, including the completed recommendation forms submitted by my recommenders, will be used by the Mary Ellen Schurtz Scholarship Committee to determine my eligibility for scholarship selection. I understand that by signing below, I will not have access to this recommendation, based on the promise of confidentiality provided to my recommender in Section B of this form.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent or Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

Section B — The recommender completes this section:

Name of Recommender (Please print): _____

How long have you known this applicant and in what capacity? _____

In the table below, please assess the applicant in the listed categories based on your relationship and familiarity with the applicant compared to other students in the same class year:

Category	Superior	Outstanding	Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average	No basis for Judgment
Ability to complete assignments accurately and timely							
Rapport with peers							
Rapport with faculty							
Observation skills							
Effort/Perseverance/Commitment							
Faith & Good Works							
OVERALL							

Give **THREE** words that **BEST** capture the applicant:

_____ & _____ & _____

Certification: I certify that the information provided is accurate to the best of my knowledge. I may be contacted by the Mary Ellen Scholarship Committee if more detailed elaboration is needed for the information I have provided.

Recommender Signature: _____

Date: _____