



# Brian Macartney Memorial Scholarship Centennial High School Foundation

**Amount: \$500 non-renewable scholarship**

**Deadline: April 12, 2019**

*Brian Macartney served as the Principal of Centennial High School from 1960 to 1970. This scholarship was established in his honor, for his long commitment to the excellence of Centennial High School students, in academics, athletics, leadership, and community service.*

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Centennial Student ID Number \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Proposed field of Study: \_\_\_\_\_

## Requirements:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Student Resume (details below)
2. \_\_\_\_\_ 500 Word Essay (details below)
3. \_\_\_\_\_ Demonstrate financial need (details below)
4. \_\_\_\_\_ Fall Semester School Transcript (2018) **GPA 3.0 and above REQUIRED**
5. \_\_\_\_\_ Acceptance letter **REQUIRED** from College/University
6. \_\_\_\_\_ Submit completed application electronically to [sommer.kelley@pueblocitieschools.us](mailto:sommer.kelley@pueblocitieschools.us)  
**(applications after deadline will NOT be reviewed)**

## Please attach the following documents to this application:

**Resume:** Include an outline of student and community involvement activities along with any work experience.

**Essay Topic:** Review Mr. Macartney's profile (**attached**). Write a minimum 500-word essay describing how you, as a student, exemplify Mr. McCartney's continual drive and commitment for excellence. Include your personal goals and aspirations as aligned to Mr. McCartney's dedication, leadership and commitment. Critical thinking skills should be imbedded in the body of essay.

**Financial Need:** List family annual income, number of dependents and a brief summary of financial need.

## **Brian Macartney's Profile**

### **Principal of Centennial High School from 1960 to 1970**

**As principal, he inspired teachers and students to always do their best in their endeavors in student activities at Centennial.**

#### **He believed that:**

- Students should have a high moral character along with a deep sense of altruism.
- Strong family values were essential to the student's successes in life.
- The years of a students' high school years are formative and shape the character in their young life.
- Students should always strive to do right.
- A student's word is a commitment and should always be kept.
- All students can be successful academically.
- Students can overcome disadvantages by focusing and by displaying a strong determination and inner drive to succeed.
- Students should give of their talents and the time to academics, to school organizations, to sports, and to community services organizations.

Mr. Brain D. Macartney served as the 23<sup>rd</sup> principal of Centennial High School from 1960 to 1970. At the time District 60 was experiencing rapid growth and overcrowding with all the attendant problems that accompany such changes. Staffing, curricula, funding, and new construction, coupled with repair needs, placed a heavy load on both staff and administration. Mr. Macartney, having been a classroom teacher and working with youth in other areas, willingly accepted the top position at Centennial with a sincere desire to continually improve not only the school and its students, but also the community.

Mr. Macartney thrived on competition and strongly and solidly supported Centennial High School students in any form of competition. He could always be found urging Centennial High School students to do their best, whether it is in academics, athletics, speech and drama, music and band, or any other student activity. Throughout his career at Centennial and then afterwards as an administrator and finally as a retiree, Mr. Macartney epitomized the Bulldog spirit for all to see.

Background experiences provided challenges for Mr. Macartney which prepared him well for his career. Contracting polio in his teens, he refused to accept this as a handicap. He looked at it as a challenge to live a fuller life and to serve others. He always had a deep concern for his students and staff as well as others of all ages. Practicing what he preached, he cared for all people, whether rich or poor. Ethnicity never entered into his decisions.

The aftereffects of polio did not deter Mr. Macartney from participating wholeheartedly in a total range of endeavors, athletic and otherwise. Just as in his professional career, he accepted the challenges of physical activities and set examples for others. In addition, he took on the tasks of remodeling and renovating an older home rather than turning it over to others. He did most of it himself, in spite of some setbacks. He drove himself hard and helped others to do their best.

Concern for humanity was reflected in church and service club affiliations and membership in professional organizations. This altruism began in his early youth as member of the Boy Scouts and other groups.

Always willing to listen, always willing to work, always willing to serve, Mr. Macartney set an example of high moral character and altruism that few persons attain.