



ALEXIS KATE SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHERS SCHOLARSHIP

APPLICATION FORM

Please return completed form by May 1, 2024 to: development@edenautism.org

The Alexis Kate Special Education Teacher's Scholarship is a two-fold \$1,000 scholarship awarded annually to two worthy Morris County School of Technology students in their senior year. The first \$500 scholarship will be awarded to a student in the Education and Learning Academy who has expressed a dedication to focus on special education in their teaching career. The second \$500 scholarship will be awarded to a senior who is classified as eligible, and has taken advantage of, special education and support services at MCST based on the Individual with Disabilities Education Act.

Applicants must be a student at Morris County School of Technology with a set plan to attend college after graduation.

This award was made possible through the fund-raising efforts of Steve Nelson whose niece, Alexis Kate, was diagnosed with autism at 17 months of age and subsequently received early intervention services through Eden's infant and toddler program. Mr. Nelson rode his bike 1,800 miles from New Jersey to Florida in order to raise money to create an endowed scholarship fund for students planning special education careers.

I. Applicant Information

Name: _____ Date: _____

Home Address:

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Colleges/Universities Applied To:

Major: _____

- II. **Academic Qualifications:** Please provide your overall G.P.A and indicate any Honors or awards you received (attach copy of transcript):

G.P.A. Honors/Awards:

- III. **Courses:** What coursework have you taken during your high school career that you feel demonstrates your focus in special education? For special education students, what coursework has been the most rewarding and why?

- IV. **Civic/Volunteer Work:** In what clubs, civic and/or volunteer activities have you been involved during your high school years?

- V. **What career objective do you plan to pursue?**

- VI. **Essay:** Please tell us why you feel that you are a qualified applicant for an Alexis Kate Special Education Teacher's Scholarship. (Attached separately if necessary.)

- VII. **Please attach two letters of recommendation** (these can be from a teacher, employer or other non-family member).