# **Attn: Diamond Path Elementary Alumni**

## Scholarships honoring: Bonnie Parker Eileen Wyant Barbara Browder

The Diamond Path PTO established two \$800 scholarships to support high school graduates in their post-secondary educational endeavors. The scholarships were created in memory of three much-loved teachers from Diamond Path: Bonnie Parker, Eileen Wyant, and Barbara Browder.

Applications are available in the guidance offices at all District 196 High Schools, on-line at <u>www.district196.org/dp</u>, as well as in the main office at Diamond Path Elementary School. Completed applications must be received at Diamond Path Elementary on or before Thursday, April 29, 2021.

Applicants who will be awarded a scholarship will be notified by May 11, 2021. Upon notification, we will also schedule a time to present the award and scholarship check. All other applicants who are not selected will receive a written response by May 18, 2021.

Please return applications to:

Diamond Path Elementary School of International Studies ATTN: Scholarship Committee 14455 Diamond Path Apple Valley, MN 55124

Thank you for your interest and response to this opportunity.

### DIAMOND PATH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL Scholarship Application Honoring: *Eileen Wyant Bonnie Parker Barbara Browder*

**Eileen Wyant** taught at Diamond Path for 15 years as a Title 1, Learning Disabilities and classroom teacher in 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grades (1986-2001). She loved people, especially children, and learning. She had a passion and expertise in mathematics education, in particular, and shared that expertise through training with educators throughout our district and the state. She was thoughtful, compassionate, wise and fun.

**Bonnie Parker** taught at Diamond Path for 10 years in kindergarten, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grades (1986-1996). She, too, enjoyed people, especially children, and learning. She loved reading, music, sign language and good jokes. She had a master's degree in counseling, which she pursued because of her compassion for children who were struggling. She had a wonderful sense of humor and unique ability to relate to others.

**Barbara Browder** taught at Diamond Path for 15 years in kindergarten, Reading Recovery and Basic Skills (1989-2004). She loved to instill the joy of books and reading in children. She had a special interest in working with children who were English Language Learners. The last several years she rode her scooter in school which allowed her to move easily through the halls. Even though her health was fragile, her strength inspired all of us.

### **Applicant must:**

- Be a graduating senior from a ISD #196 high school
- Have attended Diamond Path Elementary for two or more years
- Plan on entering a post high school educational program

#### **Application process:**

- Complete the attached questionnaire and submit it along with the following:
  - a. A letter introducing yourself and highlighting your goals. Please include answers to these questions: How was the time you spent at Diamond Path influential in your educational experience? How have you or do you plan to make a difference in your school or community? What are your educational and career goals? How do you plan to reach those goals?
  - b. A letter of recommendation from a teacher, clergy, employer, community service advisor, etc.
  - c. A current high school transcript
- The complete application must be received at the following address on or before Thursday, April 29, 2021:

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The recipients of the scholarships will be notified on or before May 11, 2021 and be presented with a certificate and scholarship check. All other applicants will receive written notification by May 18, 2021.

Applicant:	Name	
	Address	
	Phone	

1. List the years you were at Diamond Path Elementary School

2. Name the college or trade school you plan to attend for your post high school training:

3. List activities in which you participated (both in and out of school) and offices held. (Example: Student Council – Secretary, Drumline, Sports)

4. List any hobbies or interests (different from above).

5. Share any outstanding achievements you have earned or received.

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6. List your volunteer or employment record.

Location of Work/Volunteer	Nature of Work/Volunteer	Dates of Work/Volunteer	Approx. hours Per week

7. Describe an area that has been difficult for you (i.e. social, physical, academic, financial, emotional)? How did you overcome or compensate for the difficulties you faced?

8. Why are you applying for these scholarships?

9. How do you plan to pay for your education?

10. What other scholarships, grants or financial aid are you applying for or have you received?