



*The “Life’s A Stage” Drama  
Scholarship in Memory of  
Michelle Grabill Everidge*

The “Life’s A Stage” Drama Scholarship was established as a living memorial to Michelle Grabill Everidge by her friends and family. Michelle was a 1988 graduate of Prairie Heights High School, and later attended IPFW where she received her teaching degree. She married Rick Everidge and they had two children, Haylee and Cassten.

As a young girl and adult, Michelle was active in theatre. While employed at Prairie Heights she served as the drama assistant director, make-up trainer, production assistant, performer, etc.

Michelle lived life to its fullest, even through the toughest times during her battle with cancer. It is more than appropriate that the scholarship that honors her be called “Life is a Stage,” a quote from Shakespeare. Shakespeare believed each of us are performers. And like the intent of the quote, Michelle put on her best everyday on the stage of her life.

**The “Life’s A Stage” Drama Scholarship in Memory of Michelle Grabill Everidge**  
is held by the  
Steuben County Community Foundation.  
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### **Requirements:**

- Recipient must be attending or have attended Prairie Heights High School.
- Recipient may be a traditional student (high school graduating senior)
- Recipient may be a non-traditional student (adult wishing to return to school & continue their education)
- Recipient must have been active in drama or the theater arts. (They are *not* required to be planning to go to a drama/theater arts school of higher education)
- Recipient may attend any institution of higher education, pursuing a bachelor’s degree.
- Scholarship may be used for tuition, room & board, fees, supplies, or any other class-required expenses.

### **Guidelines:**

- Student must attach an essay and character reference to the application (see application).

### **Selection committee:**

- Prairie Heights Drama Director
- Prairie Heights Assistant Drama Director
- Family Member
- PHHS Treasurer
- Steuben County Community Foundation representative
- Prairie Heights student
- Friend of Michelle Grabill Everidge
- Civic Organization Representative

### **Award:**

- The amount of the award per student will be determined each year and will be paid out of distributable earnings per the Fund agreement.

### **Miscellaneous:**

- If the student fails to attend as planned, the college will be instructed to return the scholarship money to the Steuben County Community Foundation to be deposited in the “Life’s a Stage” Drama Scholarship fund, or an alternate could be awarded the scholarship.
- Modifications to the criteria above can be made at the request of and with the approval of the selection committee. If they so choose, the selection committee may determine to award multiple, smaller awards rather than one scholarship award.

**APPLICATION DEADLINE IS MARCH 15 OF THE CURRENT YEAR**

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**Scholarship Application**  
**Please print**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(First) (Middle) (Last)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ St: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Employed At: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Employed At: \_\_\_\_\_

How many brothers and sisters live in the home with you? \_\_\_\_\_

Of these, how many are in college/tech school? \_\_\_\_\_

List college/university where you have been accepted. Indicate your course of study.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Are you employed? \_\_\_\_\_ Where? \_\_\_\_\_ Hours/Weekly \_\_\_\_\_

How will you finance your education if you do not receive this scholarship?

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Have you applied for other scholarships/financial aid? Please explain.

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List honors, activities, and awards for high school, community, church or civic:

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**Attachments:**

- 1) Please attach an essay (200-400 words, typed preferred) that includes information on how “life’s been a stage;” how theater has played a role in your personal and/or professional life.**
- 2) A character reference from someone (outside of immediate family) who has known you at least three years. Please attach to the application.**

**Certification**

I certify that all the information on this form is true and complete to the best of my (our) knowledge. If asked by the Steuben County Community Foundation, I (we) agree to give documentation for information given on this form. Further, I certify that I meet the intent of the scholarship fund for which I have applied as stated in their guidelines

_____	_____	_____	_____
Applicant Signature	(Date)	Parent (or spouse) signature	(Date)

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