

## 2017 Drew Walston Memorial Scholarship

The Drew Walston Scholarship is awarded annully to two Dierks High School seniors. The scholarships are awarded based on an essay written by each candidate and their personal desire to further their education. The scholarships are not based solely on academic or athletic abilities, but on the desire to better themselves and be a motivated individual who needs assistance reaching their goal of attaining a college degree. This scholarship is funded annually through a baseball and softball tournament hosted by Drew's friends and family.

This scholarship was founded in memory of Drew Walston. Drew's life was taken in an automoble accident in 2012. Drew left a lasting impression on many that knew him. This scholarship is an opportunity for his influence to touch even more in years to come. Drew was a natural athlete. He loved all sports, and he was blessed with God given talent. Drew just loved the game. Now the academic Drew was another story. By no means was Drew the outstanding scholar. Although he could have been, he just did enough to get by. Drew went to college on a baseball scholarship, and he began to understand the importance of making a diffence in the life of a child. After injury, decided to leave the game he loved and concentrate on his education. Drew wanted to be a coach. Drew loved working with kids and teaching them the game that he loved so much. Drew was coaching a little league team when his life was taken. This scholarship is to be given to a deserving individual who desires to go to college and make a diffence in the world we live in.

\*\*\*Applications and essays must be turned in to Mrs. Smith by March 16<sup>th</sup>. Recipients will be announced at the Academic Banquet\*\*\*

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Name:		
Addre	ss:	
———Phone		Email
Acade	mic Achievements:	
•	Grade Point AverageAcademic Awards	
<u>Athleti</u>	ic Participation (List all sports you	have participated in and achievements received):
Extrac	<u>curricular Achievements</u> (List all e	xtracurricular events you have participated in):

## **ESSAY REQUIREMENTS**

In 500 words or less, introduce yourself and let the reader know and understand your intentions for your future. Where do you see yourself in 10 years? Why do you feel you deserve this scholarship? What are your dreams for your future? Let the reader know and understand where you are in your life and what circumstances have led you to where you are today. Let us know what motivates you. Anyone can write an essay, but we, the family of Drew Walston, would really like a chance to get to know you through your essay. Be original! We are not basing this scholarship on your writing abilities. It is based on your personal life story and why you would like to have assistance to reach your goals. We appreciate your interest in applying for our scholarship and good luck with your future endeavors.