

SCHEDULE B – Biographical Information



The
Crum Family Single Parent Scholarship
For students at the
University of Northern Colorado

A college education will change the trajectory of a family and create the potential of wealth and opportunity beyond a single generation. But when a family is led by a single parent, competing financial and personal obligations may prevent the parent from pursuing and completing a college education. Lyndsey Brooke (Russell) Crum '05 and John Joseph Crum were both raised by single mothers and bonded by this shared experience while Lyndsey was a student at UNC. Neither Lyndsey's nor John's father were a part of their childhood, so the parental and financial burdens of family life fell to their respective mothers Denise and Theresa. Lyndsey and John remember the sacrifices that their mothers made growing up and saw in these women inspiring strength and perseverance. Denise ensured that Lyndsey and her older sister Leilani were the first in their family to prepare for, attend and complete college. Denise showed Lyndsey how to pursue her dreams and stand with fierce independence. Theresa showed John how to keep it all in balance as she raised him while completing engineering school as a young mother. Lyndsey and John know that their lives are measurably better today due to their college education, but believe it was their mothers who set them on a successful path in life. By creating a scholarship, Lyndsey and John want to shine a light on the inspirational example that single parents set for their children when they pursue and complete a UNC education.