

The Mary Savage Memorial Scholarship – 2018

Mary Savage was a longtime member of the TBAISD family and a valuable colleague in our Technology Services Department. As a young woman with three small children, Mary realized the only way to make a better life for her family was to go back to school. She struggled for years balancing home and school, but she succeeded and graduated with a degree in Technology from Northwestern Michigan College. For the last 20 years, she worked in the male-dominated field of technology support. She was always proud to show other women that technology didn't just have to be something men understood. She empowered many young women and colleagues throughout the years to embrace the often frustrating world of technology. Mary lost her battle to cancer on September 16, 2017.

Before her passing, Mary and her three daughters decided to create a scholarship fund to encourage young women to pursue non-traditional careers. Special consideration will be granted to those women pursuing the fields of technology or computer sciences. The ***Mary Savage Memorial Scholarship*** will be granted in the amount of \$750 to a young lady who is a graduating senior and attends the CTC. To apply, please submit a copy of your resume and typed responses to the questions listed below. Each of your answers should be well developed, articulate, and thorough. All submissions must be turned in to Student Services and must be received by Friday, April 27, 2018 at 3 p.m. The recipient is also eligible for regular CTC Academic or Tools of the Trade Scholarships. The recipient must attend the CTC Award Ceremony on May 29, 2018, where she will be awarded the scholarship by Mary's daughters.

Answer in 250 (or fewer) words per question.

1. Describe why you chose the nontraditional program in which you enrolled. Include supporting factors or ideas that contributed to your decision. Provide any additional information that influenced your decision.
2. Describe the obstacles you have had to overcome as you have pursued your interest in training for a nontraditional career. Describe how you dealt with and prevailed over these obstacles.
3. Please write a personal statement to convey your feelings about the benefits of developing skills in a nontraditional career field. This also is your opportunity to provide information you would like the judges to know, but was not covered in one of the questions above.