

Call for Entries for the 2021 SHERRY SHEPHERD SARGENT SCHOLARSHIP

The Sherry Shepherd Sargent Scholarship fund is pleased to offer four \$2,000 scholarships to deserving CCSD seniors this spring. Please help us spread the word to any seniors who meet the criteria outlined below.

Scholarship recipients will exemplify the following:

- Has noteworthy achievements in education and leadership within their school
- community
- Is involved in the community and depicts honesty, fairness and caring for others
- Emulates a “Service Above Self” and a positive and joyful spirit which encourages better friendships and improves their communities
- Demonstrates an active passion for enabling others to see new possibilities and achieve new dreams

Please have any students that you feel meet these criteria download the application at <https://ccsdfoundation.org/what-we-do/scholarships.html>. We will notify you if any students that you refer apply. Applications are due no later than March 1, 2021.

Background about the Scholarship

Sherry Sargent lived with her husband, Frank, in the Cherry Creek School District since 1970, and all of their four children and four of their grandchildren attended K-12 in the Cherry Creek school system. Sherry volunteered in the schools and for causes that benefit students. She always supported teachers; she was a PTO President; she implemented many local, state and national drug and alcohol education and prevention programs; and she was a part of the initial movement of what is now Red Ribbon Week.

Sherry, along with other moms, started the Parent Information Network (PIN) in 1978, when she and other parents began talking about issues their students were facing and that families dealt with regularly. What started out as a very informal “sharing of information” is now an organization that is acknowledged by the Cherry Creek School District, its Superintendent and staff, and parent representatives from all of the schools in the district along with many private schools and neighboring school districts.

Once her children were grown, Sherry continued to attend PTCO meetings at the elementary, middle, and high schools as well as district Parent Council and PIN meetings. Her last initiative, along with Frank, was to introduce and implement the Rotary International “Four Way Test” into middle-school curriculums. The “Four Way Test” challenges students to incorporate into all that they “think, say, or do” a system of positive values and ethics centered around truth, fairness, good-will and better friendships.