# ELAINE CRAY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

## administered by the Elizabeth Forward Alumni & Friends Association

## ABOUT THE ELAINE CRAY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship was established by the friends and family of the late Elaine Cray, a 1969 graduate of Elizabeth Forward High School. Elaine graduated from California University of Pennsylvania in 1973 with a degree in Elementary Education and taught in the Elizabeth Forward School district for 30 years, retiring in 2022 as a third-grade teacher at William Penn Elementary. Elaine was a beloved wife, mother, sister, grandmother, friend, classmate, and teacher. This scholarship remembers the dedication, service, and love Elaine gave to others throughout her life.

## **TERMS OF THE SCHOLARSHIP**

One scholarship of \$2,000 will be awarded to a graduating senior at Elizabeth Forward High School who maintains a 3.0 or above average and attended William Penn Elementary School and had been admitted to a 2- or 4-year institution.

### SELECTION PROCESS AND CRITERIA

The recipient will be selected by the EFAFA Selection Committee based upon their attendance at William Penn Elementary, a 3.0 or above grade point average, and a written response to the prompt on the next page. The applicant should have a sustained record of academic excellence, along with involvement in school activities, leadership, and/or community service. Special consideration will be given to a William Penn student majoring in education.

### NOTIFICATION AND RECEIPT OF SCHOLARSHIP

The recipient will be notified by early May via e-mail or text message and a confirmation letter. The letter will inform the recipient of what needs to be provided to EFAFA to receive the scholarship. Information relating to a required thank you letter will be included with the confirmation letter.

### THE APPLICATION

- 1. Using word processing, submit the following information. Include the number/letter of the item when providing your information.
  - a. Name of the scholarship for which you are applying:
  - b. Home Address:
  - c. Home Telephone Number:
  - d. Cell Telephone Number:
  - e. Texting Number:
  - f. E-mail Address:
  - g. Name of college/university you plan to attend:

- h. Name of intended major:
- i. Briefly explain why you believe you meet the criteria for this scholarship:
- j. Write a 300-500-word essay (double-spaced) on this prompt: Identify the teacher who has influenced you the most during your time at Elizabeth Forward. State why this teacher influenced you, and how you believe that person's influence will affect you in your future endeavors.
- 2. As a separate document, prepare an up-to-date personal resume that includes your academic achievements, senior-year courses, extracurricular activities, community service, etc.
- 3. Email the application, the essay, the letter of reference, and the resume as separate PDF attachments to <u>EFAFA.Board@gmail.com</u> as soon as possible but not later than February 28. The filename must indicate the specific scholarship and the component of the application, for example: elainecraymemorial\_application.pdf, elainecraymemorial\_essay.pdf, elainecraymemorial\_resume.pdf, and place the name of the scholarship in the Subject heading (ElaineCrayMemorialScholarship).