



# FRANK R. WILLIAMS SCHOLARSHIP FUND

*A future within reach*

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The late Frank Rudolph Williams was a devoted teacher, coach and father who instilled in his students the importance of receiving an education, working hard and being a leader in the community. Throughout his childhood, these ideals were fostered in Frank by his parents and teachers in the District of Columbia Public Schools. Eventually, they would become the focus of his work with young people and lead him to a life dedicated to serving others.

Throughout his life, “the pigeon toed ball handler and flashy playmaker” was known as a hard worker and excellent teacher of the game of basketball. During his tenure as the head basketball coach at Calvin Coolidge High School, 95% of his students attended college and went on to serve the community in a variety of capacities. For Frank, this was more important than any of the other honors bestowed upon him. In May of 1987 at the age of 43, Frank lost his life to brain cancer.

His wife, Helen Williams, and daughters, Ryann and Randi, started the Frank R. Williams Scholarship Fund, Inc. (FRW Scholarship Fund, Inc.) to share his ideals with future generations of student athletes. The mission of the Fund is to provide financial support to Coolidge High School senior student athletes who are seeking higher education. Awardees must display success on the field, exhibit strong leadership qualities and a commitment to education as well as servicing their community. At the conclusion of this academic year, the Fund will award its annual scholarship of \$4,000 (\$1,000 per year for four years) to assist a deserving student as they pursue higher education. This year, the Fund will also award a scholarship funded by the William and Sheila Konar Foundation in the amount of \$4,000 (\$1,000 per year for four years). One student will be selected for the annual scholarship and one student will be selected to receive the Konar supported scholarship.

As a nominee, you are being asked to accurately complete the following:

- Frank R. Williams Scholarship Fund application (optional essay if applicable)
- One official transcript from Calvin Coolidge High School
- Two recommendation forms from a faculty/staff member of Calvin Coolidge High School
- One letter of acceptance from a 2-year or 4-year college level institution
- Submit all documents to the main office by **Tuesday, April 26, 2022.**

Once we receive these documents, your application will be reviewed and you may be contacted for an interview. At that time, you will also be provided a list of questions to help you prepare for the interview process. In the meantime, please feel free to contact us via e-mail at [frwsf@frwfund.com](mailto:frwsf@frwfund.com) or by phone at 240-476-0293 if you have additional questions or concerns.

All the best, Frank R. Williams Scholarship Committee



**Frank R. Williams Scholarship Fund, Inc.**  
**2022 Application**

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Do you have any relatives that attended Coolidge High School?  
If so, please specify their relationship to you (mother, father, uncle, etc.) and the year they graduated.

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Name (First, Last) Relationship to you Graduating Class

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**Required Essay:** Please provide a response to the essay listed below. Your response to the essay may be submitted in a written or video format. Written essays should be typed (double spaced) and between 250-300 words. Video-based essays should be no longer than 3 minutes and should include a statement of the student's first and last name, and must be created by an individual student. Applicants should submit their responses in YouTube format in an email to [frwsf@frwfund.com](mailto:frwsf@frwfund.com) by **April 26, 2022**.

Coach Williams believed there were lessons to be learned both on and off the court. What have you learned from your involvement in sports that will help you in attaining your future goals?

**Optional:** For students who wish to be considered for a special Frank R. Williams scholarship (\$4,000) funded by the William and Sheila Konar Foundation. Please provide a response to the essay above and the essay prompt below. Your response to the essay may be submitted in a written format. Written essays should be typed (double spaced) and between 250-300 words.

The William and Sheila Konar Foundation is a private grant-making entity founded in 1982. The Foundation is committed to opportunity and the desire to help others in their community grow and prosper. In what way(s) have you helped others in your community to thrive and to improve their overall quality of life? Consider selecting one meaningful community-service experience you have had during high school and describe.