

## Caroline A. Yale Memorial Scholarship Guidelines

**Objective:** To provide financial assistance to any deaf and hard of hearing applicants who attended one of Clarke's five campuses as a full-time student for a minimum of one year. This scholarship is intended to assist students as they continue their full or part time undergraduate or graduate education beyond high school. (Priority will be given to fulltime undergraduate applicants.) However, all other permutations, including full and part time attendance to graduate or undergraduate school or to a community college, will be considered. The committee's decisions are final.

### 1. History of the Caroline A. Yale Memorial

In the fall of 1937, the former Clarke School Alumni Association created the Caroline A. Yale Memorial Scholarship in memory of Miss Caroline A. Yale for her distinguished contributions to Clarke School for the Deaf from 1870 until her death in 1933. She was an early pioneer who supported oral education for students, firmly believing that they should be given every opportunity to develop the skills they need to succeed in the speaking world. Miss Yale spent 60 years at Clarke School, and was the Principal for 36 years.

### 2. The Content of the Scholarship Fund

It is a restricted endowment whose investment is managed by the Treasurer's Office at Clarke. Between 80 to 90 percent of the annual income of the fund (interest and dividends) can be used for scholarships after expenses. The Yale Committee reviews applications and makes recommendations from the applicants on who will receive scholarship aid with a minimum scholarship award of \$1,500.

### 3. Application Process

To apply for the Yale Memorial Scholarship, the applicant form must include name, contact information, date of birth, the entry year attended at one of the Clarke's five campuses, and the year graduated/left. The applicant indicates what college or program he or she is attending or planning to attend. The applicant will also submit the following documents:

- ◆ An official embossed sealed transcript from all current high schools and/or colleges/universities.

- ◆ Two dated letters of recommendation: one from a counselor and/or employer and one from a high school/college teacher only.

- ◆ A signed, dated and typed 500 word minimum essay. The essay should describe ways the applicants helped their school, community or other individuals for the past year, or the applicant's future plans including personal goals and career choices. The application package should be sent to:

The Caroline A. Yale Memorial Fund Committee  
c/o President's Office  
Clarke Schools for Hearing and Speech  
47 Round Hill Rd  
Northampton, MA 01060-2199

The application must be postmarked on or before June 1 (of each year). The School will forward each applicant's package to the current chairperson of the Yale Scholarship Fund Committee whereupon all applications will be carefully reviewed.

### 4. Eligibility of the Applicants

Any former student, who has attended one of the five campuses of Clarke for at least one year, regardless of whether the applicant graduated or mainstreamed early, may apply for a scholarship. Previous applicants may reapply for an award once per calendar year.

### 5. Committee Decision Making Process

The Chairperson of the Clarke School Alumni Council (CSAC) chooses a chairperson, four additional members from the alumni and two faculty members from Clarke to form the Caroline A. Yale Memorial Fund Committee. Each year, the committee reviews application packages and determines the recipients and the amount of each scholarship to be awarded. After applicants are chosen to receive a scholarship, the Yale Committee sends a letter of approval to the Clarke Board of Trustees prior to their June meeting. Action is then taken on releasing the necessary funds to the educational facilities of the scholarship winners. Final notification of the winners is by a letter from the President of Clarke.

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## APPLICATION FORM

I wish to apply for a scholarship from the Caroline A. Yale Alumni Memorial Fund to be used for my education beyond high school.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Year entered Clarke \_\_\_\_\_ Clarke campus location \_\_\_\_\_ Year graduated /left \_\_\_\_\_

School now attending \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Name of college/university you plan to attend \_\_\_\_\_

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