

AURORA PUBLIC SCHOOLS EDUCATION FOUNDATION

15701 E. 1st Avenue, #100

Aurora, Colorado 80011



“I touch the future.
I teach.”
- Christa McAuliffe

The
Mary Jane Kohler
Scholarship
for Promising
Educators



teach • er (tē' chər) *n.*

- 1) guide
- 2) role model
- 3) coach
- 4) tutor
- 5) mentor
- 6) counselor
- 7) instructor
- 8) friend

Mary Jane Kohler was born November 27, 1943, in Cape Girardeau, Missouri. She died September 21, 2000, in Aurora, Colorado. The salutatorian of her high school and a member of the National Honor Society, Jane earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Secondary Education (Spanish and French) from Southeast Missouri State University and a Master's Degree (Curriculum Development) from the University of Colorado. From September 1984 to May 2000, Jane taught Spanish I and II at Gateway High School.

She is remembered as a warm, principled, and quick-witted educator who made learning a truly enjoyable experience for her students. Jane co-sponsored Gateway's Spanish Club and enjoyed coordinating and directing cultural education trips to Spain for local high school students.

The Mary Jane Kohler Scholarships for Promising Educators provide financial assistance to Aurora Public Schools, college bound seniors aspiring to a career in education. The scholarships consist of donations contributed by many of Jane's friends and endowments made by family members. The two \$500 scholarships will be awarded annually, in Jane's memory, to reward and encourage APS promising educators.

The Friends and Family of Mary Jane Kohler

Applicant must:

- Be a graduating senior from any APS High School
- Be a U.S. citizen or eligible non-citizen
- Be an education major
- Have a 3.2 grade point average

Please submit:

- The completed application form
- Two letters of recommendation from high school faculty members
- A one-page type-written essay regarding your interest in this scholarship
- An unofficial high school transcript

The award may be used for tuition, books, and fees at accredited institutions of higher learning within the United States.

Please submit one (1) complete original application and five (5) complete collated and stapled copies. APSEF must receive all six (6) packets by the deadline date and time for your application to be considered. Submit application materials to: Aurora Public Schools Education Foundation, 15701 E. 1st Avenue, #100, Aurora, Colorado 80011.

Phone: 303-326-2054



Mary Jane Kohler Scholarship for Promising Educators

APPLICATION FORM **Deadline – March 2, 2009 • 4:00 p.m.**

Name _____

Address _____

Home Telephone _____

School _____

Grade Point Average _____

Parent or Guardian _____

Address _____

Work Telephone _____

Number of Children in Your Family _____

Applicants may respond to these questions on a separate sheet of paper and attach it to this form.

Responses should be limited to one paragraph.

1) List the school(s) you have applied to or been selected to attend.

2) Briefly describe three things you would like us to know about you.

3) List your extracurricular activities.

4) Describe ways you have demonstrated yourself as a leader.

5) Who is your role model and why?

