

## THE MICHAEL C. ROTHBERG SEPTEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup> MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP



The Michael C. Rothberg September 11<sup>th</sup> Memorial Scholarship honors the memory of Michael Rothberg, Sharon High School Class of 1980, whose extraordinary life was cut short on September 11, 2001, by the World Trade Center tragedy. This award, conceived and organized by Michael's high school classmates, family and friends, is dedicated to preserving and celebrating his heroic legacy, ethical commitment and service to community. In May 2019, the scholarship committee will award a \$5,000 merit-based scholarship to a member of Sharon High School's graduating class who exemplifies in his or her own way Michael's academic promise, integrity, and service to community.

Michael was born and raised in Sharon, where he attended East Elementary, Sharon Junior High and Sharon High School. He spent his college years at McGill University in Montreal, earning both undergraduate and master's degrees in math and computer science. His charismatic personality and innovative technical solutions to complex financial transactions won great respect on Wall Street. But Michael created much more than a successful professional life. He excelled in every way. Michael was a loving son, brother, grandson, cousin and nephew. He was a devoted friend, a skilled athlete and a dedicated philanthropist. He used his resources generously, contributing not only financial support but also giving his time and energy to causes in which he believed deeply, including the Dana Farber Cancer Institute's Jimmy Fund, the Multiple Sclerosis Foundation, and Mutual Funds against Cancer.

On the morning of September 11, 2001, Michael Rothberg was in his office on the 104<sup>th</sup> floor of the World Trade Center, where he worked for Cantor Fitzgerald as managing director of program trading. During his lifetime, Michael's kindness and gentle spirit touched so many lives, enriching all who knew him with his intelligence, humor, generosity and compassion. We are deeply grateful for donations offered in his memory and for the opportunity to inspire graduating members of Sharon High School to sustain Michael's spirit through their own aspirations and endeavors.

To be considered for this scholarship, please submit the required materials listed below to [mcrscholarship@aol.com](mailto:mcrscholarship@aol.com) no later than **April 22, 2019**. Signed materials can be scanned and attached to your email. If any portion of your submission must be sent in hard copy, please mail them prior to the April 22<sup>nd</sup>

deadline to the Scholarship Committee Post Office Box in Sharon [full address below].

THE MICHAEL C. ROTHBERG SEPTEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup> MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE  
POST OFFICE BOX 116  
SHARON, MA 02067

MATERIALS

TO SUBMIT BY APRIL 22, 2019 TO [mcrscholarship@aol.com](mailto:mcrscholarship@aol.com):

- The completed scholarship application form
- An essay addressing the topic described under “Required Essay” on this form
- Two signed letters of recommendation from non-family members
- Your complete Sharon High School transcript, GPA and SAT [or equivalent] scores

Forms are available online at [www.michaelrothbergscholarship.com](http://www.michaelrothbergscholarship.com) and through the Sharon High School Guidance Department. The 2019 award winner will be notified by phone following the scholarship committee’s decision.

Photos of past years’ scholarship award recipients and winning essays are posted on the scholarship website. The scholarship committee reserves the right to publish winning essays on [www.michaelrothbergscholarship.com](http://www.michaelrothbergscholarship.com) *unless expressly requested not to do so by individual winners or their parents.*

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2019 APPLICATION FORM FOLLOWS:



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2019 APPLICATION

Please include your full name, address and phone number on each attached document.

Adjust space to accommodate your information.

APPLICANT INFORMATION:

Student's Full

Name: Olivia Blackman

Date of Birth:

10/14/2000

Home

Address: 128 Mansfield street

Home Telephone or

Cell: 781-784-9523

[The scholarship winner will be notified by phone.]

Email Address:

Olivia.Blackman1202@gmail.com

Mother's Name: Deana Blackman Daytime

Tel: 781-929-8877

Father's Name: Mark Blackman Daytime

Tel: 781-953-1262

PLEASE LIST:

1. YOUR EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES I have danced for 16 years. I am currently on a competitive dance team.

2. COMMUNITY SERVICE ACTIVITIES I was a CIT at Camp Grossman. In addition, I traveled to Ghana, Africa with CIEE. On this trip I taught children English and math.
3. EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE I started working at the age of 13 as an assistant dance teacher. Then I was a server at a local cafe. Currently, I work at a Montessori school.
4. ANY OTHER INTERESTS I have a passion for working with children.
5. WHAT ARE YOU INTERESTED IN STUDYING IN COLLEGE? HAVE YOU CONSIDERED ANY SPECIFIC CAREER GOALS YET? I am currently undecided, but plan on majoring in biology. My ultimate goal is to become a pediatric specialist.
6. LIST THE COLLEGES YOU HAVE APPLIED TO AND THE STATUS OF YOUR APPLICATIONS.  
University of Maryland - accepted; UMass Amherst - accepted;  
Indiana University - accepted; Michigan State University - accepted
7. WHICH COLLEGE IS YOUR FIRST CHOICE? WHY?  
The University of Maryland is my top choice due to the academics, environment, and location. This school will lead to
8. REQUIRED ESSAY (approximately 250 words): My success.

Describe your personal goals, challenges or commitments and how you will draw on what you've learned about Michael Rothberg's legacy to inspire your own.

Please submit your essay with your name clearly marked as a separate file attached to your completed application form.