

The Virginia and Joe Farran Scholarship

The Virginia and Joe Farran scholarship was established by their family to honor their contributions to family, church, and community. This scholarship will be awarded on an annual basis to a freshman entering Routt Catholic High School in Jacksonville, Illinois. Priority in awarding this scholarship will be based on academic achievement, financial need, community involvement, Christian attitude and information provided in this application. This scholarship will be presented at the annual academic awards program.

Instructions to applicant:

- Answer all questions in this application.
- Attach a recommendation from two teachers or administrators.
- Include a copy of your last report card. Sign and date the application.
- Submit your application to the Routt Development Office, Routt Catholic High School, 500 East College, Jacksonville, IL 62650.
- A committee of three will review all applications and make the final selection.

Virginia is a lifetime resident of Jacksonville and Joe has been a resident since 1934. Virginia graduated from Routt Catholic High School and Joe graduated from Jacksonville High School. Joe served his country in the United States Army in World War II from 1942 to 1946. He was involved in action in Rhineland, Ardennes – Alsac and Central Europe. This division spearheaded for General George Patton.

Virginia graduated from Routt and attended Mac Murray College for one year. Joe was baptized into the Catholic Church in 1942, the year Joe and Virginia were married. They were then married in the Catholic Church in 1943. Virginia's two brothers and three sisters all graduated from Routt Catholic High School.

Virginia was secretary for Dr. Norris and Joe was in automobile and real estate sales, the City of Jacksonville Treasurer, and Treasurer for the Crime Prevention Commission for seven counties.

This scholarship is endowed in their honor by Gretchen and David Miller in hopes that it will encourage students to emulate their values and Catholicism in their lives.

The Virginia and Joe Farran Scholarship Application

I. Personal Information

Full Name _____ Nickname _____

Address _____ City _____

Telephone _____ Date of Birth _____

Father/Stepfather/Guardian (Circle one) Name _____

Address (if different from above) _____

Occupation _____ Employer _____

Mother/Stepmother/Guardian (Circle one) Name _____

Address (if different from above) _____

Occupation _____ Employer _____

II. List below the activities (in your school, church, or community) in which you have participated and to which you have made a positive contribution. Please be specific about your contributions, leadership, responsibilities, and or accomplishments. (Please tell us of the activity, position held, grade you were involved in at the time of the activity and any recognition you were given. You may attach a sheet if additional space is needed.)

III. List any honor or award you have received that is not listed above.

<u>Award/Honor</u>	<u>Reasons for Award/Honor</u>	<u>Year Awarded</u>
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IV. Please tell us about your long-term life goals

V. Is there anything else you would like to tell us about yourself that you feel important?

VI. Essay

This is your opportunity to explain why you are deserving of the Virginia and Joe Farran Scholarship. Please write an essay of **“Why Routt Catholic High School is your choice over another area high school and what opportunities does Routt offer to you that other schools do not offer.”**

Essay will be judged on:

- Overall quality
- Grammar
- Spelling

Essay should be:

- Typed
- Double-spaced
- 400-500 words
- Original essay by the student. Any plagiarized work will be disqualified. (Plagiarism is the submission of any portion of the essay that is not the student’s own work.)