



Charles and Lillie Tomlinson Educational Scholarship

Charles “Andrew” Tomlinson established this scholarship in the memory of his parents Charles and Lillie Tomlinson. Andrew stated “Both of my parents were educators and truly believed in the opportunity for higher education for all. With their memory in mind and their shared beliefs, I have established this scholarship fund. It is my intention this scholarship will assist students with financial need and provide an opportunity to continue their education.”

Charles was a Clarinda native and graduated from the Clarinda High School in 1933 and Iowa Western Community College in 1935. He graduated from Simpson College with a BA in 1938, Northern Iowa University with a BA in 1951, and Drake University with an MS in 1955. He was an educator and school administrator all of his years in the teaching profession.

Lillie grew up in Kentucky and graduated from Cadiz High School in 1943. She graduated from Northern Iowa University with a BA in 1951, Iowa State University with a BS in 1957, and Texas Women’s University with a PhD in 1971. She taught at the university level after receiving her Masters. Upon retiring Charles and Lillie lived on a farm northeast of Clarinda.

The following guidelines will be used in making the scholarship selection:

1. The purpose of the scholarship is to provide tuition aid for the post-secondary education for a graduating senior from any school district within Page or Taylor Counties that has a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher, with special consideration based on need, scholarly achievement, character and reputation.
2. The Clarinda Foundation shall disburse the scholarship grant to the educational institution indicated by the recipient in one payment prior to the beginning of the fall semester of year in which the scholarship is awarded.

3. The selection committee shall consist of a minimum of four representatives: 1) one named by the Clarinda Foundation (who shall serve as the chair of the Committee); 2) the High School Principal(s) representing the districts from which the applications are received; 3) Guidance Counselor(s) representing the districts from which the applications are received; and 4) one representative of the fund.
4. The selection committee reserves the right to not award the scholarship should they determine that no applicant is worthy.
5. The application must be typed or computer generated and shall include an essay addressing the following:
 - a. College the graduate plans to attend or those that they are considering.
 - b. The intended major of the graduate and why they have chosen this as their major.
 - c. The graduate's contributions to their high school and the community.
 - d. Any work history the graduate may have.
 - e. The graduate's extracurricular activities.
6. The scholarship shall be awarded without regard to race, color, creed, gender, nationality, origin or physical handicap.