

Linda H. Sell Memorial Scholarship

Linda Dianne Hill Sell aspired very early in life to be an English teacher. After graduating from Chase High School where she was senior class president, she pursued a degree in education at Appalachian State University. Because her parents were unable to give her financial assistance, Mrs. Sell worked to help pay her own college expenses, graduating with a degree in English in 1967.

After completing her student teaching at Ashley High School, she was offered a teaching position the following year and moved to Ashbrook High School when its doors opened in 1970 and remained there as a senior English teacher until her death on December 15, 1997. She married Frank N. Sell in 1973 and had two children, Franklin Sell in 1975 and Kathryn Sell in 1978. Both children are Ashbrook High School graduates.

Linda H. Sell was goal-oriented and pursued excellence in every avenue of her life. She challenged everyone to do his best and never expected more from others than she gave herself.

The love and support that Linda Sell gave to her students in nearly 30 years of teaching are reflected in the generosity of the community in establishing this annual scholarship. Her life-long passion for learning has become a legacy and a goal for Ashbrook students.

Eligibility Requirements

In order to be eligible for the Linda H. Sell Scholarship, an applicant must:

1. Be a graduating senior at Ashbrook
2. Have a cumulative 4.0 average for his/her four years in school
3. Have been an exemplary school citizen while in high school, exhibiting Mrs. Sell's qualities
4. Be nominated by an Ashbrook faculty member
5. Have been involved in student and community activities
6. Plan to attend college with the purpose of building a productive future

Applying for this Scholarship

In order to apply for this scholarship, students must be nominated by an Ashbrook faculty members. The application must include:

1. A high school transcript showing grades through the first semester of 12th grade and SAT scores
2. A 150-word essay describing his/her education and career plans and reason for the decision
3. A 150-word essay about a personal experience that reveals his/her character
4. An outline of high school co-curricular and extra curricular activities complete with all honors, awards, and community service activities

This scholarship will be awarded annual at the Ashbrook High School graduation ceremonies.

Nathan Hess was the 1998 winner of the Linda H. Sell Scholarship.