

Men of Faith, Men of Scholarship, Men of Service

James C. Wheeler Scholarship

Since Central Catholic High School opened its doors in 1927 to young men from the Pittsburgh region, the inscription Pro Deo et Patria (For God and Country) has greeted students as they entered. Central Catholic has graduated young men that served in the United States Military during times of war and peace over its nearly 100-year existence. It is with profound gratitude that Central Catholic can provide the *James C. Wheeler Scholarship Fund* for Military Heroes.

Mr. Wheeler served the Central Catholic community for over 42 years. As a veteran of the United States Marines, his love for the Marines and those men who went on to serve our country in the military after graduating from Central Catholic was on full display in his office. Students who experienced time in Mr. Wheeler's office remember the Marine flag and photos of Central Catholic alumni in uniform on his walls.

Families who are interested in applying for the scholarship must fill out an application which will include information regarding their parent(s) current or previous military service. Students will need to include a list of extracurricular activities and awards or achievements that he has earned. In addition, students must submit an essay which describes what their parent's military service means to them. A letter of recommendation from a teacher, administrator, or community leader must also be provided. Parents must submit a copy of their DD214 or Active Duty ID for the application.

Applications are due no later than January 1, 2024