## Bruce E. Hepke Memorial Junior Golf Scholarship Award

The Bruce E. Hepke Memorial Scholarship has been established to commemorate the life of a dedicated husband, father, and friend. A college scholarship of $1,500 will be awarded annually to a deserving young golfer who has demonstrated the characteristics that made Bruce such a remarkable individual – Good Sportsmanship, Leadership, Perseverance, Teamwork and Integrity.

In 1998, Bruce and Sue joined the West Chester Golf and Country Club, where they found a group of people with whom to play golf and socialize. Bruce had a wide range of interests but “playing golf” and “being an active member of the West Chester Golf and Country Club” were at the very top of his list. An avid golfer his entire life, Bruce loved the mental and physical challenges of the sport, the camaraderie, the competition, and the pure fun in traveling and playing on different courses.

Bruce was first diagnosed with bladder cancer in 2015. He fought this terrible disease stoically until it tragically took his life on February 18, 2021. Most people that were not aware of his diagnosis would never have guessed what he was dealing with on a daily basis. The support that Bruce received from his wife, Sue, and his sons, Darren and Connor, as well as his own personal courage and perseverance were and continue to be a true inspiration.

This year, the WCG&CC Junior Golf Program selection committee will choose the scholarship recipient from an applicant pool that will be comprised of high school **juniors and seniors** from WCG&CC Junior and Ambassador program as well as applicants from both the Boys and Girls Golf Teams from 6 local High Schools. The recipient will be recognized in a presentation and have their name engraved on the Bruce E. Hepke Memorial Scholarship plaque which will be prominently displayed at West Chester Golf & Country Club.

A core group of Bruce’s closest friends have ensured that a minimum of $1,000 scholarship will be awarded annually for 20 years. We have partnered with the **Chester County Community Foundation** which has managed many scholarship programs to ensure that our funds and the distribution of the scholarship are professionally managed. The Bruce E. Hepke Memorial Scholarship page can be found on the Chester County Community Foundation website. Partnering with this non-profit group also ensures that all contributions are tax deductible and can be made on-line as well as by check. If contributions exceed the minimum amount the amount of the annual scholarship will be increased.

Please go to the following website, [https://chescocf.org/fund/bruce-e-hepke-memorial-scholarship-fund/](about:blank) to view the details of the scholarship program and **the application process.**

*The Bruce E. Hepke Memorial Scholarship Fund is a fund of the Chester County Community Foundation. A copy of the Chester County Community Foundation's official registration and financial information may be obtained by calling the PA Dept. of State at 1-800-732-0999 (toll free in PA). Registration does not imply endorsement. EIN 23-2773822.*

### Bruce E. Hepke Memorial Junior Golf Scholarship Award

Selection Criteria & Application Process

The Bruce E Hepke Memorial Scholarship was established in 2021 and will be given to the high school junior or senior golfer who reflects some of Bruce Hepke’s most outstanding characteristics: **Good Sportsmanship,** **Leadership, Perseverance, Teamwork** and **Integrity**. We feel very strongly that a student who displays these fundamental values along with a love for the game of golf, deserves this scholarship in Bruce’s honor.

### Who’s Eligible

* Junior or Senior, male or female high school golfer from the following
  + Junior Ambassador from West Chester Golf & Country Club
  + West Chester East
  + West Chester Henderson
  + West Chester Rustin
  + Great Valley (Bruce’s wife Sue’s Alma Mater)
  + Malvern Prep (Bruce’s son’s Alma Mater)
  + Marple Newtown (Bruce’s Alma Mater)
* Attending College/University

### Selection Criteria

The selection committee will determine which applicant best embodies Bruce’s characteristics: Perseverance, Integrity, Leadership, Teamwork and Good Sportsmanship.

* GPA / Class Rank
* Extracurricular Activities
* Golf Achievements
* Other Involvement and/or Contributions to the Game of Golf
* Short 250 Response to the Question: What influence has golf had on your life?

**All completed applications must be received by November 17th to be considered for the scholarship.**

# Bruce E. Hepke Memorial Junior Golf Scholarship

2023 Scholarship Application

## Basic Applicant Information

Name (First, Middle, Last) Date of Birth

Street Address

City State Zip Code

Telephone E-Mail

## High School Information

Name of High School Graduation Year

High School Address City State

Counselor’s Name Phone

Counselor’s E-Mail

Cumulative GPA Class Rank

**College Information** (Name and address where you are planning to attend)

**(Not applicable for Juniors)**

College Name

Address

City State Zip

Have you been officially accepted to this institution?

**(Not applicable for Juniors)**

(Please provide the following information if available)

College Student ID# Anticipated College Major

(If available)

Registrar/Financial Aid Contact Name Title

## Extracurricular Activities

All applicants must complete this section. Indicate the activities in which you participated and the number of years in which you participated.

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Honor Society | Service Clubs |  | SADD |
| Class Officer | Who’s Who |  | Band |
| Newspaper | Yearbook |  | Drama |
| Golf | Football |  | Baseball/Softball |
| Basketball | Track |  | Soccer |
| Tennis | Swimming |  | Lacrosse |
| Cheerleading/Dance | Volleyball |  | Hockey |

Other Activities or Clubs

## Community and Volunteer Service

Agency/Organization Type of Work Date(s) Total Hours

**What influence has golf had on your life?** (Answer in 250 words or less)

(**Feel free to add an attachment if necessary**)

**Golf Achievements** (list notable high school and/or amateur golf achievements)

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## Other involvement and/or contributions to the game of golf

List any contributions that you’ve made in the area of golf and/or jobs you have held in the field of golf.

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# Certification

Please have the following people sign this certification. Signatures verify application for accuracy.

High School Counselor

High School Golf Coach / Golf Professional

Parent/Guardian

I certify that the information in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. Any false information given will automatically void this application.

Applicant Date

Only complete applications received on or before November 17, 2023 will be accepted and considered for the scholarship. Please make sure if you are mailing hard copy applications vs. emailing that you allow for enough time for delivery.

Email to: [emccurley@westchestercc.net](about:blank) Mail to: West Chester Golf & Country Club Attn: Bruce E. Hepke Scholarship

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