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## **Sara Ann Herrell Memorial Dance Fund Dance Scholarship Application**

Sara Ann Herrell, was born July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2005 to Chris and Lori Herrell of Macy, Indiana. Sara was a 5<sup>th</sup> grade student at North Miami Elementary school, enjoyed playing soccer, basketball, and volleyball. But one thing that Sara really loved was to dance. She studied at the Ballet Arts of Peru for 7 years.

A free spirit, Sara loved animals, art, climbing trees and being free.

This fund was created as a tribute to Sara and her love of life, family and friends.

The purpose of this application is to provide support for dance scholarships. Those attending Ballet Arts of Peru will have priority in the selection process.

**To apply for funding, all interested students and parents must complete the application, attach an essay completed and handwritten by the student, and letter of recommendation from a dance teacher or instructor.**

Mail application and attachments to the address below:

Corinne Becknell Lucas, Associate Director  
Northern Indiana Community Foundation  
227 E. 9<sup>th</sup> Street, P.O. Box 807  
Rochester, IN 46975

Or email the application and attachments to: Corinne Becknell Lucas at [corinne@nicf.org](mailto:corinne@nicf.org).

### **The application deadline is May 1, 2023**

#### **Selection and Payment of Scholarships:**

The office of the Northern Indiana Community Foundation, along with Chris and Lori Herrell, serving as ex-officio, will make up the selection committee. There will be two scholarships awarded each year and announced in June.

- One scholarship for a dancer entering their last year of pointe in the fall. More specifically the scholarship will be awarded to a student who is currently in their junior year of high school entering their senior year in the fall.
- One scholarship will be awarded to a dancer entering pointe in the fall (ballet 4 entering ballet 5/pointe, minimum age of 10 by Sept 1.)

Although the Community Foundation would love to award a scholarship to all applicants, funds are limited and not all requests can be filled.

Scholarships will be paid directly to the school of dance that the student will be attending.

**If you have any questions, please call Corinne toll-free at 877-432-6423, 574-223-2227, or by email to [corinne@nicf.org](mailto:corinne@nicf.org).**

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Application for Funds | Deadline May 1, 2023



Name of Student: \_\_\_\_\_

Full Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Student date of birth mm/dd/yy: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Student must be 10 years of age by Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>.*

Home Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Mother or Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Full Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Day Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Father or Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Full Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Day Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of elementary, or high school you attend: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of school of dance you plan to attend: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of dance instructor: \_\_\_\_\_

Full Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Monthly cost of attending classes: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Required Attachments:**

- A short essay on why you are interested in studying dance, and what style of dance inspires you. Also explain why you are in need of this scholarship. **Students must write their own essay and it must be handwritten. Parents must NOT write the essay for their child.**
- Letter of recommendation from a teacher or instructor explaining why you would be a good candidate for this scholarship and any special needs you may have.

**Student and Parent Commitment:**

"I commit to regular class attendance as a dance student. I understand that if I withdraw from dance classes, or have consecutive absences I may forfeit my scholarship, and the Community Foundation may seek another student to receive the scholarship."

Student Signature of Commitment: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent or Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature should be from a parent or guardian with primary custody of the student)