**Joanne and Jack Mulhern Memorial Scholarship**

Joanne and Jack Mulhern took great pride in their community. They loved living in Exeter, and their family home was visited by many driving by and stopping to say hello.

The Mulhern family has a long history at Wyoming Area School District. Joanne graduated from Exeter High School in the mid-1960s. Since then, Joanne and Jack’s four children, John Mulhern, Lisa Mulhern, Lori Edwards, and Ann Marie Mulhern carried on the tradition at Wyoming Area. Their grandchildren Zachary Mulhern, Carley Egerter, Morgan Egerter, Lydia Edwards, and Madison Mulhern are alumni of Wyoming Area as well.  Their grandson Jack Mulhern is completing his senior year at Wyoming Area.

Finally, their grandson Lucas Osticco, was a former student in the Wyoming Area District, and is currently a student at Wyoming Area Catholic. Joanne’s daily focus was her family. She always wanted to be sure everyone was getting everything they needed. Jack was a trained plumber throughout his life. He worked hard, many times in harsh conditions. However, providing for his family was always most important.   Sadly, they both passed at a young age.  It is important to our family that their memory is never forgotten.

This scholarship is being founded to give back to the Wyoming Area School District and assist students looking to further their education. Our family values education and holds it at a high standard. However, a four-year college degree is not the only avenue in continuing education.

This scholarship will be open to all students looking to expand their education post high school, however special consideration will be given to students pursuing their education at a trade school. Seniors planning to attend other educational institutions will also be considered. Most importantly, the Mulhern Family is seeking students with a good work ethic, strong in their convictions, and willing to take chances in their future

**CRITERIA:** This scholarship is for a 2024 Wyoming Area graduating senior who plans on attending a trade or technical school, however other schools (colleges) will be also considered.

**ESSAY:** in a solid essay of at least 500 words, select one of the following prompts. In the first sentence of your essay indicate which prompt you selected.

1. What do you hope to achieve after graduation either academically and personally?

**2.** Why do you feel it is important to give back to the community that helped you throughout your academic career?

**3.** Who is the person that had the most impact on your life? Why?

**4.** Why did you decide to continue your education, either in a trade school or collegiate setting?