

MELISSA BROWN BROWNING MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

The Melissa Brown Browning Memorial Scholarship was established at Houston County High School on July 21, 2021. It will be awarded annually to the Houston County High School senior whose high school career best exemplifies the spirit in which Melissa served others through participation in a variety of school activities. Melissa graduated from HCHS in 1995. She continued her education having earned her B.A. at Gardner Webb University in 1999, her Masters (Magna Cum Laude) from Baylor in 2002, and her Ph.D. from Loyola in 2011. Melissa left us way too early, having passed on April 8, 2021, at the very young age of 43.

As a member of the Class of 1995, Melissa was part of the first graduating class to have attended all four years at HCHS. From her freshman to her senior year, she was extremely active in her school, having served in key leadership positions in Partners Club, Prayer Club, Student Council, and FCA. During her high school career, her participation in a variety of extracurricular activities also included Anchor Club, Varsity Softball, Science Club, Class Council, Yearbook Staff, Drama Club, Basketball Manager, and Student Athlete Trainer. Melissa's commitment to her school and service to her classmates was strategic to the very solid foundation upon which Houston County High School began its never-ending quest for Excellence. She embodied ***Bear Pride*** at its best!

Any former classmates, teachers, colleagues, friends, or family who would like to contribute this year or in future years to this annual Scholarship may do so by sending a donation made payable to **Houston County High School** (*please designate in the Memo line that it is intended for the Melissa Brown Browning Scholarship Fund*). Donations can be mailed to the attention of **Dr. Jay Jones, Principal, HCHS, 920 Highway 96, Warner Robins, GA 31088**. Donors will receive a yearly update with information regarding the administration of this scholarship as the school year unfolds.

Deadline: March 27, 2026
NO EXCEPTIONS

Received in Office: _____
Initials: _____

APPLICATION FOR MELISSA BROWN BROWNING SCHOLARSHIP

HCHS

Name: _____

Telephone #

Address: _____

Street

City

State

Zip Code

Parent's Name: _____

Telephone#

Extracurricular Activities: *(Include any Leadership positions; attach separate sheet if needed)*

9th: _____

10th: _____

11th: _____

12th: _____

Honors, Awards, Recognitions: (School Related)

Honors, Awards, Recognitions: (Civic Organizations/Non-School Related)

Share what your HOCO experience has meant to you and what has been the most significant part:

Define *Bear Pride*:

Future Plans: _____

Have you been accepted to a College or University for Fall term? Yes _____ No _____

Which college or university? _____

Please add any additional comments that you would like to add to your application:

Student Signature _____ **Date** _____

Return the following to your Senior Counselor before the application deadline on front page:

- Completed application
- Two teacher recommendations (please use attached forms)
- A copy of your latest transcript

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—TEACHER RECOMMENDATION FORM—

Name of Scholarship Applicant: _____

Teacher: _____ **Telephone#** _____

In what capacity have you known the applicant? (Give dates)

How has this student distinguished himself or herself from other students with whom you have interacted? _____

Give an example(s) of a specific way have you observed this student exhibiting

Bear Pride and school spirit through a commitment to and involvement in HCHS school life.

Name two of this student's greatest character strengths: _____

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