

Burke Family Legacy Scholarship

Essay Cover page

The Burke Family Legacy Scholarship is dedicated in honor of the Martin and Patsy Burke Family. The scholarship will be awarded on an annual basis to a student who is returning to RCHS and carries an overall GPA of B or better (3.0 on 4.0 scale). Preference will be given to children or grandchildren of alumni.

Student Information:

Name: _____

Did either parent or any grandparent graduate from RCHS? (Yes or No): _____

If yes, what is/are their name(s) and graduation year(s)?:

This sheet should be the only page to contain student information, parent information, or family information.

Interested/qualified students will need to complete and submit this form with a 400-500 word essay entitled, **“The impact Routh Catholic High School and its community has had on me and my family.”** Essays must be typewritten, double-spaced, and work must be an original essay by the student. Any plagiarized work will be disqualified. (Plagiarism is the submission of any portion of the essay that is not the student’s own work).

Essays will be judged on the following, listed in order of importance:

1. Overall quality
2. Organization
3. Grammar and spelling

For judging purposes, each paper is assigned a number. No judge will know the name of the student who has written this essay. The Development Office will keep this information confidential. **If you include your name, parents’ names, or any family members’ names in any areas of the essay, your paper will be disqualified.**

**Submit essays to the Routh Development Office by April 15, 2026.
Please call the Development Office if you have questions at (217) 243-8563, ext. 6.**