



John W. Austin Memorial Scholarship Fund

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Dear Guidance Counselor,

Like many professions in the state of Maine, the trucking industry continues to be blessed with talented and energetic leaders that shape the future of our essential industry. One such leader, John Austin, passed away unexpectedly in January of 2011 but not before he left his mark on countless individuals and businesses.

In the time since, there has been an outpouring of support to recognize John's huge impact on the trucking industry and the Maine Motor Transport Association. His generosity with his time and resources set him apart and, in keeping with John's compassion and kindness towards others, the MMTA is pleased to announce that we have re-named our scholarship fund in his honor to be known as the **John W. Austin Memorial Scholarship Fund**.

For now, the qualifications for a candidate to be considered for a scholarship include:

- They must be a graduating high school senior;
- They must be seeking higher education or technical training in areas relevant to the motor transportation industry;
- They must submit a completed application, with transcript, prior to May 1st.

A committee will meet after the May application submission deadline to determine how many scholarships will be awarded based upon criteria which include prior academic performance, recommendations from instructors, financial need and/or demonstrated ability with respect to skills relevant to the motor transportation industry. Prior scholarship amounts averaged \$1,000 per recipient. All efforts will be made to notify applicants prior to their graduation ceremonies.

For more information and to fill out an online application, visit us at www.mmta.com/jwa.

We thank you for your interest in the John W. Austin Memorial Scholarship Fund. We can't think of a better way to honor the memory of our good friend John Austin than being able to deliver educational opportunities to kids who might not otherwise be able to afford it.

Sincerely,

Brian Parke
MMTA President and CEO