



Dear Friend,

In memory and honor of the talented vocalist and MCPS graduate Charles "Charlie" Anthony Eichler who passed too soon at the age of 22, his parents, Sandy and Tony Eichler, have created a scholarship to award students demonstrating vocal talent. However, before we can award deserving students, we need your help endowing the fund!

If you have an interest in the performing or vocal arts or have any connection to Charlie and his family, please consider helping his legacy live on to help the future of another student! In the spirit of Charlie, he would have loved to sponsor other students with a passion for the arts. The attached donation form is available [here](#).

We hope to raise at least \$25,000 to sustain the fund. Sandy and Tony have hopes to create a juried vocal competition for MCPS seniors, with the award being at least \$1000 for college expenses.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact Yolanda Pruitt at [yolanda\\_j\\_pruitt@mcpsmd.org](mailto:yolanda_j_pruitt@mcpsmd.org).

**About Charlie:**

Better known as Charlie to his family, friends and teachers, Charlie started performing at the age of 7, evolving into a gifted vocal artist. He came from a musical family: his father a recording/mastering engineer, and his mother, a music teacher. His first solos with the Maryland Boy Choir spring boarded performances with the Williamsburg Symphonia, University of Maryland Opera Studio, The Kennedy Center, Olney Theatre, Timonium Dinner Theatre, Toby's Dinner Theatre, The Orioles Camden Yards, and New York City venues.



Charlie Eichler



Sandy and Tony Eichler

He was also a valued member of the Columbia Center for Theatrical Arts (CCTA), which acts as an outlet for children and young adults to take part in theatrical experiences that inspire thought, creativity and change. Many of Charlie's recording studio experiences included singing for Disney and movies. His smooth tenor voice was expressive with impeccable diction.

Charlie's compassion for others was exemplary as he received an MCPS Superintendent's Volunteer Award for assisting special needs children. A very involved student, he was also an active member of the Maryland Camaro Club and Impact Society. Charlie attended Blake High School, The Duke Ellington School for the Arts, and Springbrook High School. His love for musicals and opera continued throughout the rest of his life until his death at age 22.

This fund is established to honor Charlie's talent and humanitarian spirit. We thank you in advance for your contribution to the [Charles Anthony Eichler Memorial Fund](#).

**With Warm Regards**

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