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**DR. DANIELLE MAATOUK  
LEGACY SCHOLARSHIP  
APPLICATION**

The Dr. Danielle Maatouk Legacy Scholarship will be awarded at the annual Conservatory Banquet to a freshman, sophomore, junior, or senior student in the Tarpon Springs High School Leadership Conservatory for the Arts.

Danielle, Yvonne, and Jeanette Maatouk were members and leaders in the band program from 1993-1998. This scholarship is to honor the legacy of Danielle Maatouk, who passed away in 2016.

Danielle excelled musically and academically. During her time at Tarpon Springs High School, Danielle played percussion in the marching and symphonic bands, piano in the jazz band, and participated in the winter guard. She also furthered her musicianship during a season with the Carolina Crown Drum and Bugle Corps and as a member of the the University of Florida marching band. Danielle always spoke fondly of her years spent as a member of Tarpon's band program. She carried the valuable lessons learned here with her for the rest of her life.

After graduation, Danielle attended the University of Florida, earning a bachelor's degree in Microbiology and Cell Science with a minor in Music Performance and a PhD in Molecular Genetics and Microbiology. She then went on to complete Post Docs at the University of Florida and Duke University in Developmental Biology and Genetics/Genomics. In 2013, Danielle accepted the position of Assistant Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology - Reproductive Biology Research at Northwestern University.

Danielle displayed a "commitment to excellence" in all of her endeavors. She was fiercely driven - constantly pushing herself to succeed. But most importantly she valued community and teamwork. Danielle always wanted those around her to be equally successful. She was a positive role model, mentor, and friend to the countless lives she touched. Danielle is survived by her husband Chris, and two children - Abigail and Leo.

**QUALIFICATIONS:**

**PARTICIPATION:** Scholarship is open to a freshman, sophomore, junior, or senior student.

**ESSAY:** Please write a one page essay responding to the following:

**Leadership is the ability to inspire, communicate, motivate, encourage, and support everyone's quest for excellence in all aspects of life.**

- What does this mean to you?
- How do you apply these principles in your own life?
- How do you inspire a sense of community with your classmates or at home?
- Please explain your need for this scholarship and how it will help you achieve your goals.

