Dear Students and Parents of the LKMS Class of 2022,

The LKMS 8th grade team will be selecting one 8th grade student from the class of 2022 to nominate for the Ben Carson Scholarship, a \$1000 grant held for the winner in escrow towards college expenses. As you can imagine, this is a REALLY tough choice for us with all the great students and citizens in your class. The 8th grade teachers need more information in order to choose our nominee.

Carson Scholarships are awarded solely on the basis of academic achievement and humanitarian qualities, without regard to financial need or ethnicity. An interested student must be nominated by his or her school, and each school can only nominate one student per school year. I invite you to check them out further at their website www.carsonscholars.org/scholarships

To be considered for nomination, students must

	Be enrolled in grades 4-11 in the United States.
	Have a GPA of 3.75 or higher on a 4.0 scale in the following academic subjects: English Language Arts, Math, Science, Social Studies and Foreign Languages.
	Demonstrate humanitarian qualities in school and community, above and beyond what
	is required, and especially leadership in these activities. Examples: organizing volunteers to visit a soup kitchen, raising funds in support of a charity, etc.
	Be nominated by their school.
	Be a student that has not previously been a recipient of a Carson Scholar Award.

Note that the academic requirement is based entirely on the grading period that just ended, quarter one 2021. See the Carson website for qualifying specifics, especially for those enrolled in GT classes. The bullet bolded above is the one on which we need more information, since we may not be aware of these kinds of worthwhile activities that you do outside of school. Complete this form to provide the selection committee with your resume of service activities:

CARSON SCHOLARSHIP GOOGLE FORM It is due by Monday, December 6, 2021.

You just have to list any service activities you do with LKMS, but please give plenty of detailed information about community service you do outside of school, especially if it demonstrates leadership and initiative. It's OK if you don't complete all the spaces provided for service. The student we choose will have a more amplified application to complete and will have to write a 500-word essay. The nominee's final application packet will be due to the Carson Scholarship Fund in January.

Sincerely,

Cindy Clemens CSF Coordinator