

## Rachel Rushton Scholarship Fund

### Nomination Due Dates:

**June 12, 2011, by 6pm for U8-U19 players**

This scholarship fund was established in 2005 to honor Rachel Rushton, a devoted mother of three Concorde Fire boys: James, William and Jonathan Rushton. She was a friend to all club members who had the pleasure to know her.

**Two scholarships** per soccer year will be awarded to **two individual members** of the club who have proven in the prior years to have excelled in the following areas:

### *Qualifications:*

- **The Soccer Field** – The player will have demonstrated a tremendous commitment and shown a great attitude towards the sport of soccer, Concorde Fire, and their individual team. The scholarship will not be based upon an individual's skill, but more on their role within a team, whatever their individual ability. The type of player who will be considered for this scholarship will be in attendance for almost all practices and games, be attentive to the coach, and spend time enjoying and practicing soccer away from scheduled Concorde Fire events. The player will demonstrate a true "love for the game".
- **The Classroom** – The recipient may not necessarily excel in the classroom but should be able to demonstrate a continued progress at their school. They should be able to apply their lessons learned at soccer: discipline, hard work, and attitude, to their classroom environment.
- **Loyalty** – The player should have shown a degree of loyalty to Concorde Fire. A recipient of the award should have been a member of the club for at least two full seasons (Fall and Spring).

### *Award:*

The scholarship will cover the annual cost of registration and uniform (if awarded in a new uniform year). The scholarship will be awarded annually in the summer months immediately following tryouts and will cover the above-mentioned costs for the upcoming Fall and Spring seasons.

### *Selection Process:*

Concorde Fire coaches will nominate individuals that they see as worthy benefactors of the award. The nominees should also be financially unable to play soccer at Concorde Fire without such an award. After the coaches have submitted their nominations, the Scholarship Committee would select two recipients of the award for the upcoming soccer season. The recipients will be announced on the website.

An annual email asking for donations to the award will be sent out to the membership. Registration material will also contain a scholarship fee by-line so that members are able to make contributions along with their annual registration fee. Any financial shortcoming will be honored by Concorde Fire.