E. Louise Coover Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship will be awarded to a student who has earned a degree but has returned to The University of South Dakota and is registered in the masters plus certification program to obtain a teaching certificate.

Constance L. Hoag established this endowment in 2005 in honor and memory of her friend Louise Coover. Mrs. Coover was born April 19, 1925 in Kingsley Iowa—the daughter of Harold and Ellen Bowers. She graduated from Kingsley High School, Kingsley, Iowa; Morningside College, Sioux City, Iowa in 1955; and received her master’s degree from the University of South Dakota in 1957. She married Ollie Coover on December 27, 1946 in Hornick, IA. Mr. Coover died November 24, 1980. In 1984 she married William Larson.

Mrs. Coover taught in Holly Springs, Hornick, and Mapleton, IA before teaching at Washington Elementary and East Middle Schools in Sioux City, IA. In the late 1960’s she and her husband Orlier moved to Pasadena, CA where she was elected from a large field of candidates to the principal of Pasadena High School (one of the top schools in southern California). She served as principal for almost 30 years before retiring in 1999. She belonged to many teacher organizations including The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International. She passed away April of 2003.

Mrs. Coover represented the finest of educators, and always made decisions on the basis of what was best for the learner. It is hoped that her inspiring career will challenge others to set high standards and accomplish remarkable deeds.

**Award Criteria is as follows:**

1. Recipient will be enrolled in or accepted by USD and meet all USD requirements to be a student in good standing.
2. Recipient shall be a Masters Plus Certification Student.