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Arthur Moog Middleton Writing Award For High School Juniors



Arthur Moog Middleton (1983-2000), a lifelong resident of Athens, was a 16-year-old 11th grade student at Cedar Shoals High School when he died in January 2000. At the time of his death he was an editor of the Cedar Shoals yearbook, *Mirari*. Art loved video games, challenging books, music and writing. At 16, Art was already a writer of achievement and promise. In 2003, Art's parents, Kent Middleton and Melissa Moog, and friends established a media center grant in Art's name at each traditional Clarke County public high schools to purchase challenging books.

In 2018 the book grants were converted into the Arthur Moog Middleton Writing Award to recognize two students each year who produce compelling fiction or nonfiction. Teachers from Clarke Central and Cedar Shoals select one junior from each school to receive a \$250 check for a body of writing that may include short stories, essays, news reports, explanatory writing, narrative nonfiction, criticism, video scripts, comedy sketches and multimedia documentaries. Preference will be given to writing that has been published in any medium.