



GCPS Foundation Scholarship Catalog Spring 2021

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Note to students: Please read the criteria for each scholarship carefully. Pay close attention to the unique requirements of each (such as essay topic) and whether the **GCPS Foundation Scholarship Application** can be used. Many of scholarships listed in this catalog can be submitted using the **GCPS Foundation Scholarship Application**.

The GCPS Foundation Scholarship Application can be found at <https://gcps-foundation.org/scholarships>

For scholarships using the GCPS Foundation Scholarship Application, the deadline is Monday, **December 7, 2020, 5:00 p.m.** for all students.

The deadline to submit all Recommendation Letters is Monday, **December 14, 2020, 5:00 p.m.**

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- **Alton C. Crews Educator Scholarship** (Open to applicants districtwide)

A **one-time** award of \$1,000 sponsored by the GCPS Foundation will be presented to a graduating senior from GCPS. One or more recipients may be named.

Requirements: Applicant must have a minimum 3.0 GPA on a 4 pt. scale, exhibit good character and leadership skills, provide a letter of reference from a faculty member, and submit a two-page essay describing a desire to enter the teaching profession. [Application](#)

- **Atlanta Gladiators Aim High Scholarship** (Open to applicants districtwide)

A **one-time** award of \$1,000 will be presented to one or more GCPS high school graduating senior(s) with a desire to pursue a profession in the sports medicine, sports management, event planning, or similar related career. Plans to enroll in an accredited college or university for fall 2021. Tentative scholarship recognition will be held before the final home Atlanta Gladiators game at Infinite Energy Arena.

Requirements: Applicant must have a minimum 3.0 GPA on a 4 pt. scale, provide a letter of reference from a faculty member. Submit a one-page essay describing interest to pursue a profession in sports medicine, sports management, event planning, or similar related career. [Application](#)

- **Beauty P. Baldwin Scholarship – Open January 2021**

Upsilon Alpha Omega, the Gwinnett Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., was chartered in Gwinnett County on January 29, 1994. One of the first challenges taken on by the chapter was to establish a scholarship for young women in Gwinnett County. The scholarship was named in honor of one of our chartering members, Mrs. Beauty P. Baldwin. Thus far, we have awarded a number of scholarships totaling thousands of dollars to college-bound high school seniors.

Upsilon Alpha Omega is offering a scholarship to African-American high school seniors to further their educational opportunities. It is the chapter's goal to promote post-secondary education endeavors. The scholarship will be awarded to students who meet the following scholarship qualifications:

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Must be a Gwinnett County Public School senior
- Of African-American descent (male or female)
- Must already be accepted to an accredited four-year college or university
- Must possess leadership potential and discernible good character
- Must demonstrate superior scholastic achievement (minimum 3.0 GPA)

[Click here](#) for scholarship application and directions to submit application.

- **Beth Rihm Global Language Scholarship**

A **one-time** award up to a maximum of \$1,000 will be awarded to one or more GCPS senior(s) who have demonstrated a proficiency in a spoken foreign language and expressed a desire to deepen fluency through cultural immersion or extracurricular study. **One student from Brookwood High School will be chosen as a recipient.**

Established in 2015 by Rachel B. Mehravari, a Brookwood HS alumna and a former Beth Rihm memorial scholarship recipient. Ms. Mehravari credits a Rihm scholarship with helping her achieve her goal of becoming a member of the Foreign Service in the Diplomatic Service of the United States of America.

Requirements: Applicant must have a minimum 3.0 GPA on a 4 pt. scale, a recommendation letter by a foreign language faculty member, and provide a one-page essay describing an interest in foreign languages. [Application](#)

- **Brenden M. Elbaz Scholarship** is a one-time award of **\$750** in Brenden's memory. The yearly scholarship will be awarded to a graduating senior at Lanier High School. Application can be requested through the counseling office at **Lanier High School**.
- **Brothers Making Moves LLC Scholarship** is a one-time award of **\$1000** to a senior at Lanier High School, who is a first in their family to attend college and has a 2.5 GPA, and has applied to a 2-year college, technical college, or 4-year college or university. This scholarship was formed to provide support to students who are first generation in their family to attend college. Application can be requested through the counseling office at **Lanier High School**. **Deadline: March 15, 2021**
- The **Collins Hill Education Foundation Scholarship** is a one-time award of **\$1,000** for a **CHHS Senior only** wanting to give back to the community by going to a post-secondary school in a service field (teacher, police, fire fighter, etc.).

Requirements: A written essay describing your career goals and documented volunteer hours must be attached. Criteria includes 3.0 GPA and 100 volunteer hours.

The completed application must be returned to the Collins Hill HS Counseling Office by email, mail, or interoffice, on or before the deadline of 2:00 pm, Friday, December 4, 2020. [Application](#)

- The **Courtney S. Blair Women in Business Scholarship** is a one-time award of **\$1000** to a senior at **Shiloh High School** who is in the top 10% of her class who is interested in pursuing a career in Business or Entrepreneurship. **Deadline: January 31, 2021**

Requirements:

- Proof of class rank (1st semester senior transcript)
- A two page double-spaced, typed essay expressing your desire to continue your education in pursuit of a career in Business or Entrepreneurship.
 - Describe experiences you have had which influence your decision regarding a future career in Business or Entrepreneurship.
- Complete the scholarship online: <http://bit.ly/CourtneyGCPS>

Applicants may be required to interview with the Selection Committee prior to scholarship award in April 2021. Students will be contacted by phone or email listed on their application for an interview day and time that best fits the student schedule.

- The **Courtney S. Blair Student Leadership Scholarship** is a one-time award of **\$1000** to a GCPS student leader who is in the top 5% of his or her class, who has overcome significant adversity and demonstrates financial need in attending the college of their choice. **Deadline: January 31, 2021**

Requirements:

- Proof of class rank (1st semester senior transcript)
- A two page double-spaced, typed essay expressing
 - Reflecting over your high school years, share an experience in which you exercised significant leadership in your school and describe the result of your efforts.
- Complete the scholarship online: <http://bit.ly/CourtneyGCPS>

Applicants may be required to interview with the Selection Committee prior to scholarship award in April 2021. Students will be contacted by phone or email listed on their application for an interview day and time that best fits the student schedule.

- The **Courtney S. Blair Outstanding Excellence in Athletics and Academics Scholarship** is a one-time award of **\$1000** to a senior who is in the top 1% of his or her class who letters in two or more varsity sports. **Deadline: January 31, 2021**

Requirements:

- Proof of class rank (1st semester senior transcript)
- Proof of each varsity letter, signed by the coach.
- Complete the scholarship online: <http://bit.ly/CourtneyGCPS>

Applicants may be required to interview with the Selection Committee prior to scholarship award in April 2021. Students will be contacted by phone or email listed on their application for an interview day and time that best fits the student schedule. No essay required

- **Dolciani Law Enforcement Explorer Scholarship** (Open to Explorer Program participants only- Open fall 2021). Sponsored by the **Mary P. Dolciani Halloran Foundation**, a one-time award of **\$2,500** will be presented to graduating seniors of GCPS who are also members of the Suwanee Police Department Explorers Program. Application can be picked up through your Explorer program.
- **Dr. Janice L. Calkins Speech Language Pathology Scholarship**
An award of **\$1,500** will be presented to **one or more** graduating seniors from GCPS seeking to pursue a bachelor's degree in speech language pathology. Upon completion of their bachelors and acceptance into a Master of Science program in speech language pathology, award recipients with an interest in public education may apply for an additional \$1,000 match. The Master of Science program must be at a college or university accredited by the Council on Academic Accreditation in Audiology and Speech Language Pathology (CAA) of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association.
- **Requirements:** High School applicants must have a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA out of 4.0; minimum 20 hours (or more) of observation of a practicing Speech Language Pathologist in any setting; provide a letter of recommendation from a faculty member (preferably a district SLP), and have plans to enroll in an accredited college or university for fall 2020. Mail completed application to Dr. Janice L. Calkins, HS Scholarship Committee Chair, 6920 Flagstone Way, Flowery Branch, GA 30542 **Deadline: March 6, 2021** [Click here](#)
- **Dr. Linda Williams Educational Scholarship** (Open to Grayson, Maxwell and Meadowcreek) A **one-time** award in the amount of **\$500**.
[Contact the Grayson High School counseling office for details.](#)
- **GCPS Foundation Mathematics Scholarship** (Open to applicants districtwide)
A **one-time** award of **\$1,500** will be presented to a GCPS high school graduating senior with plans to enroll full-time in an undergraduate course of study in science, technology, engineering, or math. One or more recipients may be named.

Requirements: Applicant must have a minimum 2.7 GPA on a 4 pt. scale, provide a letter of reference from faculty member, and submit a one-page essay describing interest in a STEM related career.

[Application](#)

- GCPS Foundation Multicultural Scholarship (Open to applicants districtwide)**
 Established in 2015 and sponsored by the Gwinnett Multicultural Advisory Committee, this Scholarship is a **one-time** award of **\$1,000** presented to a college bound GCPS senior of Hispanic, African-American, Asian/Pacific Islander or other minority origins. One or more Recipients may be named. Emphasis will be placed on participation in leadership roles, community service or volunteer work demonstrating a commitment to making a difference in the community.

Requirements: Applicant must have a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA out of 4.0; submit a two page, double-spaced, typed essay describing your community involvement and how it has affected you. Provide a letter of recommendation from a faculty member, and have plans to enroll in an accredited college or university for fall 2020. [Application](#)
- GCPS Foundation STEM Scholarship (Open to applicants districtwide)**
 A **one-time** award of **\$1,500** will be presented to one or more GCPS high school graduating senior(s) with plans to enroll full-time in an undergraduate course of study in science, technology, engineering, or math. One or more recipients may be named.

Requirements: Applicant must have a minimum 2.7 GPA on a 4 pt. scale, provide a letter of reference from a faculty member and submit a one-page essay describing an interest in a STEM-related career. [Application](#)
- GCPS Foundation Science, Engineering, and Innovation Scholarship and Grant**
 Begun in 1978, the **Gwinnett Regional Science, Engineering and Innovation Fair** is the gateway event for science, technology, engineering or mathematics projects (STEM) seeking to advance to state/national competition and the ultimate goal of competing against the world's best at the **International Science and Engineering Fair**.

The Gwinnett Regional Science, Engineering, and Innovation Fair hosts' students from middle and high schools representing all Gwinnett County Public School (GCPS) clusters, as well as GCPS special entity schools and participating non-GCPS private or public schools that operate in Gwinnett County. Among the special entity schools competing each year is the **Gwinnett School of Mathematics, Science and Technology**, a school consistently ranked as among the top ten best STEM high schools in the nation by U.S. News and World Report.
- GCPS Foundation Science, Engineering, and Innovation Grant (Open to fair participants' districtwide)** A one-time award of **\$500** may be presented to a GCPS junior (or team) demonstrating exceptional creativity and problem solving at the regional level. The grant is intended to reimburse for registration, travel, shipping, and/or STEM project creation expenses related to competition at any level. [No application necessary.](#)
- GCPS Foundation Science, Engineering, and Innovation Scholarship (Open to fair participants' districtwide)** A **\$1,000** will be presented in recognition of outstanding performance at the regional level to a one-time to a GCPS senior with plans to enroll full-time at the post-secondary level in a course of study in science, technology, engineering, or math. One or more recipients may be named. [No application necessary.](#)
- Georgia United Credit Union Young Leaders Scholarship (Open to female applicants districtwide)**
 A one-time award of **\$2,000** will be presented (up to five recipients may be named pending qualified applicants) to graduating females that have distinguished herself as a community volunteer, entrepreneur, or school leader with results that make the community a better place for all.

Requirements: Applicant should have a minimum 3.0 GPA on a 4 pt. scale, letter of reference from school administrator or community leader. The applicant must submit a short essay describing her work as a community volunteer, entrepreneur, or school leader. The scholarship is sponsored by Georgia United Credit Union and administered by the Gwinnett County Public Schools Foundation. A short reception will be held at Georgia United Credit Union in spring 2021. [Application](#)

- **GIVE Center Scholarship**

This scholarship is a one-time award of \$500 given to one current or former GIVE Center student who plans to attend a trade, technical, or collegiate institution. (Open to those who have attended the GIVE Center and are graduating seniors ONLY). Applications will be accepted from August 1, 2020 - March 1, 2021. The Application is located here: <https://forms.gle/qZXi7jpo2czLCVgY8> . Contact Mr. Alex Robson for details and instructions. **Deadline: March 1, 2021.**

- **GIVE Center West “I DARE YOU” Scholarship**

The I Dare You Scholarship will be given annually to one GIVE West High School Senior who plans to attend a trade, technical, or collegiate institution. A one-time award of \$500 made payable to the institution will be presented to a graduating senior who has a minimum 2.0 GPA on a 4-point scale and who has positively improved their school record while enrolled at GIVE West. The ideal candidate is one who has become a role model and leader at GIVE West. The I Dare You Scholarship also requires a written essay attached to the application. Contact the GIVE West counseling office for application. **Deadline: March 1, 2021**

- **GSMST Outstanding Senior STEM Scholarship** (Open to GSMST HS applicants only)

This scholarship is a one-time award up to \$1,500 that will be awarded to one or more GSMST graduating seniors. Please include essay topic along with completed online application. Essay: "How has your GSMST experience influenced your future college and/or career goals? What STEM activities, courses, and/or clubs had the greatest effect on your career development?"

- **Hope McKenzie Scholarship** (Open to Grayson HS applicants only)

A one-time award of \$1,000 will be presented to a student excelling in the arts at Grayson High School. The McKenzie family in memory of Hope McKenzie presents the award at Honors Night each year. Contact the Grayson High School counseling office for details.

- **J. Alvin Wilbanks Educator Scholarship** (Open to applicants districtwide)

A one-time \$5,000 scholarship, sponsored by Peach State Federal Credit Union, will be awarded to a graduating senior from GCPS with plans to enter the teaching profession.

Requirements: Applicant must have a minimum 3.0 GPA on a 4 pt. scale, exhibit good character and leadership skills, provide a letter of reference from a school administrator, and submit a two-page essay describing a desire to enter the teaching profession. [Application](#)

- **J. Floyd and Eunice Brannan Scholarships** (Open to applicants districtwide in 2021-2022)

A \$1,000 award payable for four consecutive years (subject to satisfactory performance and progress) will be presented to a graduating senior from GCPS. A minimum of four recipients will be named. One award is specifically for a recipient of Central Gwinnett High School per donors wishes. Additional recipients will be selected from applicants districtwide.

Requirements: Applicant must have a minimum 3.0 GPA on a 4 pt. scale, have a concern for others as demonstrated by significant community service activities, have plans to attend a four-year college or university, indicate financial need, provide a letter of reference from a school administrator, and agree

to submit transcript verifying minimum 3.0 GPA maintained each college year to receive future disbursements. The next granting period will be the school year **2021-2022**.

- **Janice Lawson Aspiring Teacher Scholarship**

A one-time award of **\$1,000** to two students that has a desire to enter the teaching profession.

Requirements: Applicant must have a minimum 3.0 GPA on a 4 pt. scale, exhibit good character and leadership skills, provide a letter of reference from a faculty member, and submit a two-page essay describing a desire to enter the teaching profession. [Online Application](#)

- **Jim Maran STEM Scholarship** (Open to applicants districtwide)

A **one-time** award of **\$1,000** will be presented to a GCPS high school graduating senior in honor of James J. Maran, Gwinnett County Chamber of Commerce past president. One or more recipients may be named. [Application](#)

Requirements: Applicant must have a minimum 2.7 GPA on a 4 pt. scale, plans to enroll full-time in an undergraduate course of study in science, technology, engineering, or math, provide a letter of reference from a faculty member, and submit a one-page essay describing interest in a STEM related career.

- **Jody Reeves Career & Technology Education Scholarship**

The Career and Technical Education Student of the Year is a competition held every year. Each GCPS high school has their own requirements for choosing its respective school's CTE Student of the Year. [See the CTE Department Chair at your school for more information on how to apply.](#)

- **Judy Patterson Legacy Memorial Scholarship** (Open to Archer HS applicants only)

A **one-time** award of **\$1,000** in honor of community volunteer **Judy Barrow Patterson** will be presented to an Archer High School senior who has demonstrated service to others, leadership ability, good character, and has met the requirements for spring 2021 graduation. Attendance at the Archer High School Awards Night in spring 2021 is required to receive this scholarship.

Direct link to the application: <https://www.gcpsk12.org/Page/19744>

- **Louise Radloff Scholarship** (Open to applicants districtwide)

A **one-time** **\$5,000** scholarship, sponsored by Peach State Federal Credit Union, will be awarded to a graduating senior from GCPS who has overcome a significant challenge to become a high school graduate. There is no minimum GPA requirement for this scholarship, and funds can be applied to any form of postsecondary training or study that leads to future employment.

Requirements: Applicants should demonstrate good character and involvement in community or school activities, provide a letter of reference from a school administrator or teacher, and submit a two-page essay describing their path to graduation success.

- **Mark A. Herndon Mathematics, Science, Technology Scholarship**

(Open to applicants districtwide)

A **one-time** award of **\$1,500** will be presented to a GCPS high school graduating senior with plans to enroll full-time in an undergraduate course of study in mathematics, science, or technology preferably at (but not limited to) the University of Georgia.

Mr. Herndon, a graduate of South Gwinnett High School and the University of Georgia, had an innate aptitude for mathematics and technology which served him well in his career. His happy and

engaging nature was an inspiration to many and served as a unique bridge in the world of technology for his ability to communicate effectively with the highly technical and the technically challenged.

Requirements: Applicants must have a minimum 3.0 GPA on a 4 pt. scale, provide a letter of reference from a faculty member or community leader and submit a one-page essay describing an interest in a career in mathematics, science, or technology. [Application](#)

- **Maxxis Awards - Valedictorian & Salutatorian Scholarships**

Begun in 2003, corporate partner Maxxis continues its longstanding practice of awarding scholarships to outstanding local students from Gwinnett, with \$500 prizes going to the valedictorian and salutatorian of each of the Gwinnett County School System's 23 high schools. **No application necessary.**

<http://www.maxxis.com/news/corporate/maxxis-awards-scholarships-to-local-students>

- **Peach State Federal Credit Union Dr. Frances Davis Scholarship**

This scholarship is in honor of Dr. Frances Davis, Associate Superintendent of District Performance and Community Engagement at Gwinnett County Public Schools, for more than two decades of service on Peach State FCU's Board of Directors. It will be awarded to a Gwinnett County Public School graduating senior pursuing a degree in education. All scholarship winners will be chosen by the end of **April 2021** and notified shortly thereafter.

Please note: *students should not submit multiple applications for our scholarships. Applications to more than one of our scholarships will not increase eligibility or chances of being selected.*

Requirements:

- A copy of your SAT or ACT scores.
- A copy of your transcript indicating your high school grade point average.
- A two page, double-spaced, typed essay expressing your desire to be a teacher and why. Indicate the field in which you wish to teach in the public schools. Describe any experiences you have had which have helped shape your decision to pursue a career in the field of education.
- Two letters of reference; one from a teacher and one from an administrator or counselor in your current high school who can attest to your potential as a prospective education major.

Scholarship application will be forthcoming.

<https://www.peachstatefcu.org/Forms-and-Resources/Scholarships>

- **Peach State Federal Credit Union Legacy Student Scholarship**

This scholarship is to honor the legacy of past and present board members and employees who have served Peach State Federal Credit Union for 20 years or more. It is awarded to graduating high school seniors who will be attending college to pursue a degree in education. All scholarship winners will be chosen by the end of **April 2021** and notified shortly thereafter.

Please note: *students should not submit multiple applications for our scholarships. Applications to more than one of our scholarships will not increase eligibility or chances of being selected.*

Requirements:

- A copy of your SAT or ACT scores.
- A copy of your transcript indicating your high school grade point average.
- A two page, double-spaced, typed essay expressing your desire to be a teacher and why. Indicate the field in which you wish to teach in the public schools. Describe any experiences you have had which have helped shape your decision to pursue a career in the field of education.

- Two letters of reference; one from a teacher and one from an administrator or counselor in your current high school who can attest to your potential as a prospective education major.

Scholarship application will be forthcoming.

<https://www.peachstatefcu.org/Forms-and-Resources/Scholarships>

- **Peach State Federal Credit Union Rick Cost Student Scholarship**

This scholarship is in honor of Rick Cost, retired Chief Financial Officer at Gwinnett County Public Schools, for his contributions to the Gwinnett County school system. It will be awarded to a Gwinnett County Public School graduating senior pursuing a degree in education. All scholarship winners will be chosen by the end of **April 2021** and notified shortly thereafter.

***Please note:** students should not submit multiple applications for our scholarships. Applications to more than one of our scholarships will not increase eligibility or chances of being selected.*

Requirements:

- A copy of your SAT or ACT scores.
- A copy of your transcript indicating your high school grade point average.
- A two page, double-spaced, typed essay expressing your desire to be a teacher and why. Indicate the field in which you wish to teach in the public schools. Describe any experiences you have had which have helped shape your decision to pursue a career in the field of education.
- Two letters of reference; one from a teacher and one from an administrator or counselor in your current high school who can attest to your potential as a prospective education major.

Scholarship application will be forthcoming.

<https://www.peachstatefcu.org/Forms-and-Resources/Scholarships>

- **Reid Mullins Scholarship** (Open to students who attended Snellville Middle School & South Gwinnett only)

This is a **one-time** award of **\$1000**. This scholarship will be awarded to one or more deserving graduating senior(s) of **South Gwinnett High School** in memory of Mr. Reid Mullins for his many years of service to Snellville Middle School and Gwinnett's first middle school principal. **Current South Gwinnett High teachers make nominations in March of each year.**

- **The Deloris and Reid Mullins Scholarship** (Open to Archer applicants only)

This is a one-time award of **\$1000** awarded to one or more deserving graduating senior(s) in honor of Deloris and Reid Mullins, former GCPS educators and long-time residents of the Archer cluster. This scholarship is open to students graduating from **Archer High School only**. **Current Archer High teachers make nominations in March of each year.**

- **Rev. In Soo Jung Scholarship** (Open to applicants districtwide)

A **one-time** award of **\$1,000** will be presented to one or more GCPS high school graduating senior(s) (priority to be given to Asian Christian Males) with plans to enroll full-time in an undergraduate course of study at an accredited college or university.

Requirements: Applicant must have a minimum 3.0 GPA on a 4 pt. scale, exhibit good character and leadership skills, a recommendation letter by a faculty member, and a one-page essay describing how your faith plays a part in your goals.

- **Rick Case Automotive Group Scholarship** (Open to applicants district-wide, **student must be employed at any of our five Atlanta based Rick Case Automotive Dealerships** to be considered).

Established in 2015 and sponsored by Automotive Group Rick Case, this scholarship is a **One-time** award of **\$2,000** to be presented to a GCPS high school graduating senior advancing to post-secondary study in one of the fifteen Automotive Service Technology and Automotive Technology certificate or diploma programs offered through **Gwinnett Technical College**. Upon graduation from GTC, student will actively be employed at a Rick Case Dealership. One or more recipients may be named, pending qualified candidates.

Requirements: Submit an essay to an instructor, Max Chavez, with the Maxwell Automotive Program, of your interest and/or experience in the automotive technology field. You must be accepted at GTC with plans to enroll in a program accredited by the National Automotive Technicians Education Foundation, Inc./Automotive Service Excellence (ASE-NATEF) for fall 2020 and an active employee at any of our five Atlanta based Rick Case dealerships. **Deadline: February 26, 2021**

- **Robert L. Campbell Memorial Scholarship** (Open to Phoenix HS applicants only)

This is a **one-time** award of **\$1,000** in honor of Robert L. Campbell. The faculty of Phoenix High School will select the winner. One or more recipients may be named. [Contact the Phoenix High School counseling office for details.](#) Application and information are posted on the Phoenix HS website. **Deadline: April 30, 2021**

- **Susan D. Headley Scholarship** (Open to Archer HS applicants only)

A **one-time** award of **\$500** to a student who exhibits good character, a love of learning, a desire to further his or her education, and is eligible for postsecondary education. Direct link to the application: <https://www.gcpsk12.org/Page/19744>

- **Sweetwater Scholarship** (Open to Berkmar HS applicants only)

The purpose of the Sweetwater Middle School Scholarship is to raise college awareness at Sweetwater MS, to affect the graduation rate at Berkmar High School, to increase the vertical work between our schools, to rally community support, and to assist financially some very deserving students. This **\$500** scholarship is given to four or more seniors who matriculated from Sweetwater Middle School, and will graduate from Berkmar High School, and attend college in the fall. [Contact the Berkmar High School counseling office or the Sweetwater Middle School office for details.](#) **Deadline: April 5, 2021**

- **Teaching as a Profession Scholarship**

This **\$500** scholarship is awarded to seniors enrolled in the Early Childhood Education and Teaching as a Profession programs who are planning to pursue education degrees in college. Sponsored by the Foundation, application is online <https://forms.gle/Bu3PYdMMm2v5NPtR8> **Deadline December 15, 2021**

- **United Ebony Society of Gwinnett Robbie Susan Moore** (Open to applicants districtwide)

A **one-time** award of **\$1,000** for one or more college-bound GCPS seniors who are planning to attend a 2-year or 4-year college/university. Selection is based on participation in a leadership role in community service activities or volunteer work, as well as a commitment to making a difference in their community.

Requirements: A GPA minimum 2.7, with plans to enroll in the fall 2021 as a full-time student in either an accredited 2-year or 4-year institution. Submission of 300-word essay on a designated topic. Provide letter of recommendation from volunteer experience and school/faculty member. [Click here](#) for the application. **Deadline: March 5, 2021.**

Scholarship award recognition is presented during the April School Board Monthly Meeting.

TEACHER SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

- **Dr. Robert (Bob) Clarke Memorial Scholarship**

Established in 1985, this scholarship was established in honor of Dr. Bob Clarke, a school psychologist in Gwinnett County Public Schools from 1979-1984.

A one-time stipend of **\$1,500** will be awarded to a GCPS educator seeking to increase their knowledge and skills in the field of school psychology. One or more recipients may be named per year.

Requirements: Applicant must be a GCPS full-time employee with a minimum of one year of experience, in good standing per evaluation process, with letter of endorsement from a supervisor or district administrator, and a willingness to continue employment in the district in a special education capacity.

Applicants may apply or be nominated by a supervisor. **Submit letter of interest and endorsement to Tom Owen, Director of Psychological Services, Department of Special Education and Psychological Services for review by the selection committee – **Deadline: November 1, grant can be used for spring semester tuition****

- **Infinite Energy STEAM Grants**

Natural gas supplier, Infinite Energy, donates \$5 on behalf of each their customers in Gwinnett County, funding the Infinite Energy STEAM grant. A minimum of \$40,000 is available to be disbursed to projects in the area of science, technology, engineering, the arts, or mathematics. Grants will be awarded to one or more applicant based on merit. Grants may be requested for any amount up to \$10,000. Collaborative STEM/STEAM projects benefitting a large number of students with results that can be replicated across grade level, school and/or cluster are strongly encouraged.

The 2021 application will be available online beginning **October 1, 2020** at <https://gcps-foundation.org/scholarships/apply-grant-1076/infinite-energy-innovative-steam-grant/>

Deadline to apply is January 29, 2021. Winners will be announced May 2021. Photo check awards will take place at the beginning of the 2021-2022 school year.

- **Dr. Janice L. Calkins SLP Continuing Tuition Assistance for Employees**

GCPS employees accepted into a Master of Science program at a college or university accredited by the Council on Academic Accreditation in Audiology and Speech Language Pathology (CAA) of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association may be nominated or self-nominate for tuition assistance up to \$1,000. Contact Dr. Jan Calkins at jcalk52@gmail.com for the application.

- **Peach State \$2,000 Career Advancement Scholarship**

These scholarships honor the founders of Peach State Federal Credit Union. Realizing the importance of education as a lifelong experience, this scholarship is for credit union members who have started a career and have decided to enroll in classes to further their education for career

advancement. All scholarship winners will be chosen by the end of April 2021 and notified shortly thereafter.

Requirements:

- Applicants must be currently employed
- Applicants must be a Peach State member in good standing, with an active account that has been open for a minimum of one year, to apply for this scholarship.
- Applicants must currently be enrolled in an accredited program of study at a college, university or technical institute with the goal of career advancement. Please attach proof of paid registration documents for current term or class schedule from your accredited institution in order to be considered for this scholarship. All scholarship recipients will be paid upon presentation of paid registration documents from accredited institutions.

The deadline to apply is **March 2021**. [Scholarship information and application](#).

SCHOOL EMPOWERMENT GRANTS

- Walton EMC offers educational grants to schools and classroom teachers for a myriad of uses that further instructional programs. Any public school located within Walton EMC's service territory is eligible to apply. Private schools can apply as well if they are served by Walton EMC electric service. Applications are generally accepted during August and September with grants being awarded in December. Watch for a mailing to your school with details.

Schools throughout Walton EMC's 10-county service area have received more than \$1 million through the grant program. The money comes from unclaimed capital credit refunds.

View our School EmPOWERment Grant video for [Brookwood High School](#) and [Five Forks Middle School](#).