

CHARLOTTESVILLE Scholarship Program

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2020 Promise Scholars



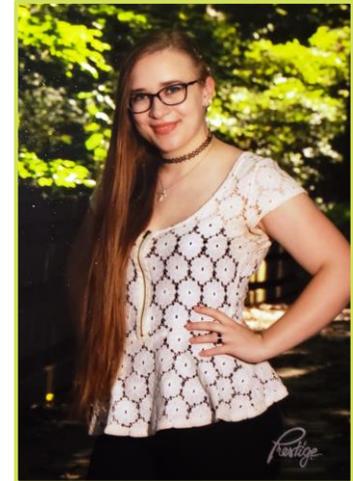
Tamyia Bruce

Tamyia graduated from Charlottesville High School in 2019 and is a freshman at ODU with a 3.06 GPA. Tamyia strives for independence and success, and looks forward to a career in business management after graduation.



Ceenan Gallihugh

Ceenan has a 3.1 GPA at Charlottesville High School. He works at ACAC Kids Zone, and has volunteered at both the Salvation Army and as a tutor. He enjoys learning about how things work and plans to study science or engineering in college.



Minuette Goin

Minuette has a 3.83 GPA at Charlottesville High School. She will attend Mary Baldwin University with a goal of becoming a teacher. She sings in the CHS choir, is a cheerleader, and is a volunteer for multiple school and community groups.

The Charlottesville Scholarship Program is now actively supporting 34 scholars as they pursue their dreams of post-secondary education. This spring, we awarded scholarships to 11 new recipients. In light of the current CDC advisory about public events, we did not hold our annual welcome reception for new scholars and their families. However, we remain steadfast in our commitment to all of our scholars, and invite you to make a contribution to celebrate their success. To donate, please send a check payable to the Charlottesville Scholarship Program and mail it to CSP at PO Box 1221, Charlottesville, VA 22902, or give online at cvillescholarship.com.

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Preston Coiner Scholar

Samira Samadi is our 2020 Preston Coiner Scholar. Samira has a 4.43 GPA and will attend U.Va. She speaks three languages, works 15-20 hours/week, volunteers in the community, plays field hockey, and holds leadership positions in several school clubs. Samira's excellent application essay honored Preston Coiner's abiding interest in local history.



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Cameron Jackson

Cameron plans to study nursing at Radford. He has worked hard both in school and in his jobs. He plans to continue to rise to the challenge of assisting his family and working toward a successful future in college and beyond.



Dejua Lewis

Dejua will be attending the Culinary Institute of America to pursue her passion for food entrepreneurship. She has her own successful business called Dejua's Creationz, which offers freshly prepared smoothies and customizable dessert treats.



Anayesica Lopez

Anayesica has a GPA at CHS of 4.02. She is interested in pursuing a career in digital marketing after college. Teachers describe Anayesica as highly competent, positive, encouraging of others, kind, honest, reliable, and intelligent.



Edwin Lopez-Sanchez

Edwin has a GPA of 3.3 and will be the first person in his family to attend college. His goal is to become a nurse. His teachers describe him as a determined and motivated student with a strong work ethic.



July Paw

July graduated from CHS in 2017. She is a junior at JMU with a 3.06 GPA, majoring in elementary education. She wants to be a teacher and has plans to obtain a Master's Degree after graduation.



Tiara Strait

Tiara has a GPA of 3.94. She will be attending JMU, and aspires to be a financial analyst or CFO. She wants to start a business that teaches lower income families how to budget and save.

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Abigail Tackett

Abigail has a GPA at CHS of 3.84. She will attend Longwood University, with a goal of becoming a psychologist. Her teachers describe her as goal-oriented, with a strong work ethic and a generous spirit.

Charlottesville Scholar Profile

My name is Jamar Pierre-Louis, a former recipient of the Charlottesville scholarship and graduate of Old Dominion University class of 2017. I can't express how much this scholarship and program has meant to me. 7 years ago, I was an 18-year-old kid ambitious to go on to college but lacked the funds to make that dream a feasible reality. This program not only helped me financially, but also emotionally and academically. The programs liaisons frequently kept in touch with me and advised me all the way through my undergraduate years.

After finishing my courses at Old Dominion I moved to Charlotte, NC where I've been for almost 4 years. I currently work as an account manager for an accounting software company known as AvidXchange. There I specialize in sales and account management for our vendors and clients.

Now as a successful 25-year-old man I look back with a strong sense of gratitude at the way this program has helped me become who I am today. Aside from my full time job I solely operate my own clothing company D.R.E.A.M Apparel LLC, which is an acronym that stands for dreams reinvented everything around me. A dreamer I am, and I thank the Charlottesville Scholarship Program for helping me make my dream of being a first-generation college graduate come true.



Thank you, Sponsors!



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**Fulfilling our community's promise by helping
scholars reach their educational goals**

About the Charlottesville Scholarship Program

Established in 2001 with a \$250,000 gift from Charlottesville City Council, the Charlottesville Scholarship Program provides college scholarships to low- and moderate-income graduates of Charlottesville City Schools, and to City employees. We support students through the completion of their course of study, and we support adults who are furthering their education. Scholarships increase each year, which encourages students to complete school and lessens overall student debt. To date, we have helped 157 students pursue higher education.

Did You Know?

The Charlottesville Scholarship Program pairs each scholar with a navigator. Navigators are mentors who offer students help, support, and guidance. Scholarship winners are often the first in their families to attend college, and their families aren't always able to provide help in understanding college expectations and ways to deal with the college experience. Navigators develop effective relationships with their scholars in order to ensure that they are successful in their chosen course of study. Thank you to all of our generous navigators.



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