

## **Wilma Watkins Ulmer Scholarship Opportunity**

**Application Deadline (Online): May 21, 2022**

In 2006, Louis Ulmer bequeath 1/3 of his estate to establish the Wilma Watkins Ulmer Memorial Fund. Wilma Watkins was a graduate of Gaithersburg High School and later taught there for more than a decade. The fund supports a \$5000 annual scholarship for Gaithersburg High School graduates matriculating to four-year postsecondary educational institutions. The scholarship may be renewed for up to four years giving it a value of up to \$20,000 in total.

### **To be eligible for consideration, the students must meet the following criteria:**

- Must be a graduating senior at Gaithersburg HS;
- Must have a B- cumulative grade point average;
- Must be committed to enrolling as a full time student at a four-year college or university.

### **To apply for the scholarship, interested eligible students must take the following actions:**

- Students notified of their eligibility must complete an application through the MCPS Educational Foundation online scholarship portal;
- Include a statement about financial need;
- Provide a copy of the submitted Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)\*;
- Provide an unofficial high school transcript;
- Provide two letters of recommendation. At least one letter must be from a teacher or counselor;

### **If chosen for the scholarship, the recipient agrees to:**

- Provide the MCPS Educational Foundation with a letter of acceptance from a four-year college or university;
- Register as a full-time student the four-year college or university;
- Submit an official college transcript to the Foundation at the end of each academic semester at the four-year college or university.
- Maintain at least a B- average at the end of each academic year at the four-year college or university where the student is enrolled.

### **Selection Process**

#### **A committee of at least five persons that includes the following representatives will make the selection:**

- Foundation Director (2)
- Gaithersburg HS administrator
- Gaithersburg HS alumnus/alumna
- Gaithersburg community member

Students participating the Free and Reduced-priced Meals Systems (FARMS) DO NOT have to submit a FAFSA to apply.