

**DONNA W. ADAMS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

*A Scholarship Program of the Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan*

**SUMMARY**

This fund provides scholarships funding higher education for graduates of the following Detroit Public Schools:

*Blackwell Institute  
Brewer Elementary-Middle School  
Ron Brown Academy  
Carleton Elementary School  
Carstens Elementary-Middle School at  
Remus Robinson  
J.E. Clark Preparatory Academy  
Chrysler Elementary School  
Davison Elementary-Middle School  
Dossin Elementary-Middle School  
Edward "Duke" Ellington Elementary-Middle  
School at Beckham*

*Fisher Magnet Lower Academy  
Garvey Academy  
Golightly Education Center  
A. L. Holmes Elementary-Middle School  
Hutchinson Elementary-Middle School  
Marquette Elementary-Middle School  
Nichols Elementary-Middle School  
Pulaski Elementary-Middle School  
Ralph J. Bunche Preparatory Academy  
Spain Elementary-Middle School  
Wayne Elementary School*

Up to four non-renewable scholarships for \$3,000 will be awarded annually to a graduating senior from Detroit Public Schools who are also graduated from east side Detroit public elementary schools.

The scholarship materials are available online on the Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan website at [cfsem.org/apply](http://cfsem.org/apply).

April 15 is the priority deadline for applying.

**BACKGROUND**

Donna W. Adams was a certified Master Gardener who lovingly restored historic homes. Mrs. Adams, and her husband William, were long time residents in Detroit's Indian Village neighborhood. In her estate, she provided instructions for a scholarship fund with the Community Foundation. The current selection of schools represents the area of the city that Mr. and Mrs. Adams lovingly called home.

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**WHO MAY APPLY?**

- Graduating seniors from any Detroit Public School
- Graduates of any of the elementary schools listed above
- Must demonstrate exemplary desire, ability and good grades
- Must demonstrate leadership and character through extracurricular activities, volunteer involvement and work experience in school and in the community
- Must demonstrate financial need

Dependents or employees of the Detroit Public Schools as well as dependents of employees or board members of the Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan are ineligible for scholarship consideration.

## WHAT ARE THE AWARD CONDITIONS?

- Application or acceptance as a full- or part-time student at an accredited educational public college or university in the United States
- Recipients must enroll full- or part-time at a public college in the United States
- If an award recipient withdraws from the educational institution, the award will be cancelled and the unspent portion will be returned to the Community Foundation
- If a recipient chooses to enroll at a different educational institution than originally indicated, he/she may use the scholarship at any of the other public colleges or universities in the United States
- All awards will be made without regard to race, creed, color, religion, national origin, sexual orientation or sexual identification
- All winners are required to submit an official academic transcript at the end of their year of award.

## HOW WILL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD PAYMENTS BE MADE?

- Award payments will be made to the Financial Aid Office, or its equivalent, of the educational institution in the name of the educational institution. Payments are limited to tuition and fees, books and supplies and room and board expense.
- Award payments will be made as soon as the (1) recipient has signed and returned the Terms of Grant Agreement to the Community Foundation, (2) the recipient has notified the Community Foundation of the eligible university in which he/she plans to enroll, (3) the university has verified enrollment and (4) the university has verified that it will not reduce previously awarded grant/scholarship aid as a result of this award, unless required by federal or state law.
- Awards are subject to state and federal income guidelines.

## HOW DO I APPLY?

- Go to [cfsem.org/apply](https://cfsem.org/apply) to draft and submit your application online.
- April 15 is the priority deadline for applying.

If you need additional information or materials, please contact the Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan at 313.961.6675 or [scholarships@cfsem.org](mailto:scholarships@cfsem.org).