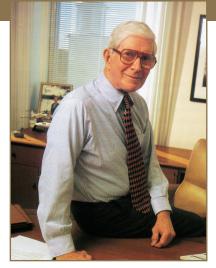
The Batten Scholars Program

A distinguished merit scholarship program at Culver Academies





Frank Batten '45

Frank and Jane Batten have given generously to Culver Academies. Beginning in 1999, they endowed the Batten Scholars Program which provides freshman and/or first-year sophomore students with a full-tuition, merit scholarship that

includes room and board, required fees, uniforms, and books. The scholarship is renewable annually.

A graduate of Culver Military Academy, Frank Batten CMA '45 was a communications entrepreneur who has made a mark in many ways. Under his leadership as a publisher, in 1960 The Virginian-Pilot newspaper received a Pulitzer Prize for articles championing desegregation. The Virginian-Pilot and The Ledger-Star in Norfolk, Virginia were the foundation of Landmark Communications, the privately-held media company that he grew by acquiring additional newspapers, radio stations, and television stations, as well as by founding a new cable station -- The Weather Channel -- the 24-

hour cable weather station launched in 1982. He also served as chairman of the Associated Press from 1982 to 1987.

Frank Batten also attended Culver Naval School in 1940. He served on the Culver Summer Schools & Camps staff in 1944. As a cadet at Culver Military Academy in the 1940s, Frank earned Gold and Silver A's, won varsity letters in track and cross-country, and was a member of the Honor Guard. He rose from private to captain and commanded Company C as a first-classman. Graduating in the final months of World War II, he joined the Merchant Marine and was commissioned in late 1945 as a Naval officer.

Batten was honored as Culver's 17th Man of the Year in 1984. He received his bachelor's degree from the University of Virginia in 1950 and his MBA from Harvard in 1952.

Frank Batten passed away September 10, 2009, in Norfolk, VA. He is survived by his wife, Jane, and their three children: Frank, Mary, and Dorothy.



An Opportunity of A Lifetime!

The Batten Scholarship Program is one of the most extraordinary programs in the country for high school students.

The total value is over \$200,000.

The Batten Scholarship Covers

- Full Tuition.
- Room and Board.
- Books and Laptop.
- Global Pathways Spring Program experience in US or abroad.
- Summer Enrichment Experience in US or abroad.

What makes a Batten Scholar?

- Previously demonstrated excellence in academics, citizenship, and character.
- A history of involvement in activities within their school and community.
- Demonstration of significant promise to contribute to the overall life at Culver Academies, both inside the classroom and out.

Who is eligible?

- Incoming 9th and 10th grade boys and girls.
- Those residing outside of the US will be considered, but will not be invited to campus for the Batten Scholarship Weekend. The Batten Scholarship Committee will conduct their Batten Scholarship Interview electronically.

How are Batten Scholars Selected?

- Semi-Finalists are selected from all candidates who have completed the Culver Academies Application Process and have submitted a Merit Scholarship Application by January 15.
- Finalists are selected by the Batten Scholarship Selection Committee, comprised of Culver faculty and staff.
- Finalists and a parent are invited to campus for a Batten Scholarship Weekend; which includes an interview with the Batten Scholarship Selection Committee and a celebration banquet dinner.
- Scholars are notified by the Batten Scholarship Committee.

Where do Batten Scholars go after Culver?

- Duke
- Emory
- Georgetown
- Harvard
- Lehigh
- MIT
- Notre Dame
- Princeton
- Tuffe
- UNC (Morehead Scholars Program)
- Washington
- Wellesley
- U.S. Military Academy
- Yale
- And other top colleges and universities across the country.

Go to culver.org/scholarship for more information.

