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TO: HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPALS, COUNSELORS &
SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE MEMBERS

FROM: ANTHONY G. POLOTZOLA
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RE: SCHOOL BOARD SCHOLARSHIP

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Please be advised that we will be receiving applications for the St. Martin Parish School Board Scholarship. Enclosed for your information are copies of the application forms along with pertinent information regarding this School Board Member – sponsored activity. Please make this information available to your graduating seniors and encourage all those eligible to complete the application.

The following schedule will be as follows:

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| Friday, May 1, 2020 | Deadline for submitting applications to Central Office |
| Monday, May 4, 2020 | Review of applications by Scholarship Committee at School Board Office |
| Friday, May 15, 2020 | Awarding of scholarships at Commencement Exercises |

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. Should you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact me.

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Members: Anthony Polotzola
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**SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM SPONSORED BY MEMBERS OF THE
ST. MARTIN PARISH SCHOOL BOARD**

I. PURPOSE AND FUNDING:

1. The purpose of this scholarship program shall be to encourage students of high academic standing and achievement to enter the education profession.
2. The scholarship program will be financed from monthly contributions on a **VOLUNTARY BASIS** made by each Board member in the amount of \$25 monthly. (This contribution is tax-deductible and participation will be confidential).
3. Three scholarships will be awarded annually, one to an outstanding student at each of the three parish high schools. The value of the scholarship will be \$600 per academic year. Total value of the scholarship is \$2400 payable at the rate of \$300 at the beginning of the Fall Semester and \$300 at the beginning of the Spring Semester.

NOTE:

Number of scholarships shall not exceed twelve (12) per year.

4. The recipient must be enrolled and remain in the College of Education with a major in Education and have the intent of pursuing a teaching career in the Public School System. It is the hope of the St. Martin Parish School Board that the scholarship recipient will ultimately teach in the St. Martin Parish School System.
5. The scholarship will remain in effect for four years provided the student recipient maintains a minimum grade point average of 2.5 during each semester and an overall 3.0 point average in his/her teaching field. A report from the College of Education on the academic process of the recipient will be made to the Board each semester.
6. As funds are accumulated, they will be deposited in a St. Martin Parish financial institution. The scholarship checks will then be issued to the recipients from this fund as soon as their enrollment has been documented by monies donated to this fund in excess of the annual scholarship payments for that year will remain in the fund and continue to draw interest. Any portion of this Scholarship Fund not used from the fund during the given year shall be re-invested with the principal. It is anticipated that eventually the amount of the principal in the fund will become sufficient to finance the scholarship program from the interest.

II. SELECTION PROCESS:

1. In order to be eligible to receive the scholarship, a student must be a graduate of a public high school in St. Martin Parish and be enrolled in an accredited University majoring in Education.
2. The committee charged with the responsibility of selecting the recipient will be chaired by the Superintendent or his designee and:
 - a. Four (4) members from the Central Office Staff (e.g., Directors, Supervisors, etc.)
 - b. An elementary school principal
 - c. The chairman of the School Board's Education committee or his designee
3. The committee will initially meet in the Fall to review the scholarship process for the current school year. Scholarship information and applications will be distributed by the Guidance Counselors of each High School and will be available at the St. Martin Parish Central Office. All completed applications will be returned to the scholarship committee.
4. The recipient of the scholarship will be announced before graduation. The scholarship will officially be awarded when enrollment in the University is documented.
5. Qualifications:
 - a. Academic Achievement...a minimum cumulative average of 3.0
 - b. Positive plan to pursue a curriculum in Education and become a public school teacher
 - c. Significant contributions to the school
 - d. Participation in extra-curricular activities
 - e. Service to the community
 - f. Respect and consideration for faculty and fellow students
6. The School Board will expect a full report from the Superintendent of all the facts and pertinent information in the committee's selection process.

**EDUCATION MAJOR SCHOLARSHIP FORM
ST. MARTIN PARISH SCHOOL BOARD**

NAME: _____
(Last) (First) (Middle)

HOME ADDRESS: _____
(Street or Box #) (City) (State & Zip)

HOME TELEPHONE: _____ HIGH SCHOOL _____

FATHER'S NAME: _____

MOTHER'S NAME: _____

GENERAL INFORMATION:

ACT SCORES:

English _____ Math _____ Reading _____
Science _____ Composite _____

HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:

HONORS AND AWARDS:

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

HOBBIES AND SPECIAL TALENTS:

EMPLOYEMENT EXPERIENCES:

ADDITIONAL REMARKS:

NOTE: PLEASE ATTACH AN UP-TO-DATE TRANSCRIPT AND TWO LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION TO THIS APPLICATION FORM.

Signature

Date