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# Partnerships and Community Scholarships

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# Scholarship Award Process: Who is involved?

More than 25 individuals are engaged in the process of announcing, accepting, selecting and awarding Ann Arbor Public Schools Community Scholarships, including;

- Scholarship Donors
- High School Counselors
- High School Teachers
- District Curriculum Coordinators
- SISS Staff Members
- AAPS Administrative Staff
- District Leadership Team
- District Scholarship Team



# 2019 Scholarship Awards

<u>Scholarship Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Scholarship Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
ABM Services Scholarship	\$20,000	Kacee Cronk Scholarship	\$1,200
Alex Tons Scholarship	\$1,000	Kent Overbey Scholarship	\$1,000
Chartwells Scholarship	\$5,000	Lisa Ann Gallagher Scholarship	\$1,000
Dorothy Russell Scholarship	\$1,150	Rick Burgess Music Scholarship	\$1,250
Durham Transportation Services Scholarship	\$15,000	Robert J. Lewis Jr Scholarship	\$1,000
Emilie Pfisterer Scholarship	\$800	Taylor Calhoun Sunshine Award	\$1,000
Evy Eugene Mavrellis Scholarship	\$1,000	The Jill Award	\$1,000
Iris Scholarship	\$1,500	Yolanda Bell Memorial Scholarship	\$1,000
Joseph J. Keeley Scholarship	\$1,000	<b>Total Amount Awarded</b>	<b>\$54,900</b>



“[Logan’s] personal traits of intelligence, motivation, discipline, and congeniality have earned the respect from myself, other teachers, and his peers. Logan is an excellent student, athlete, community member, and person worthy of this award.”

*~Jeremy Kucera  
Social Studies & Football Coach  
Pioneer High School*



## **ABM Services Scholarship**

**Logan Jacobs**  
Pioneer High School

“Ricardo is a bright, philosophical, creative, and compassionate student. Ricardo enjoys engaging in intellectual pursuits and the discussions that stem from them.”

*~Christopher Erickson, NBCT  
English & History Teacher  
DP Literature, CAS Coordinator*



# ABM Services Scholarship

**Ricardo Mojica**  
Huron High School



“Makayla is a model student and she makes really good choices. She possesses entrepreneur skills. Makayla has a lot of initiative.”

*~Marissa Bailey-Johnson, MA  
Counselor  
Pathways to Success*



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## **ABM Services Scholarship**

**Makayla Scott**  
Pathways to Success



“India is the reason that I coach. Working with young people can be very challenging, but not so with India. She is hardworking, dedicated, and team oriented. India is very cooperative with teammates, always striving for team success. Knowing India has made me a better coach and most of all a better person.”

*~Coach*

“India is a highly creative student with a head full of ideas. She's deeply passionate when she finds her niche.”

*~Teacher*



# **ABM Services Scholarship**

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**India Thomas**  
Community High School

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“[Jacob] has been an outstanding student in the Business/Management Marketing, Technology magnet that he is a part of. Jacob has also been an excellent DECA student and has qualified to compete at the State Career Development Conferences”

*~Robert Shannon  
Business Teacher  
Skyline High School*

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## **ABM Services Scholarship**

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**Jacob Wilkie**  
Skyline High School

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“At all times I have found Wylandra to be reliable, honest, and loyal; but it’s her work ethic and goal setting that sets her apart from the other young woman students in the class. She always does the work it takes for her to be successful with her goals and does it with dignity.”

~*Samantha Dye*  
*Culinary Arts Instructor*  
*Huron High School*



## Chartwells Scholarship

**Wylandra Taylor**  
Huron High School



“I am extremely proud that Michael used the knowledge he learned in our government class during a real-life political situation in which he was involved. He participated in a walk-out at our high school to protest gun violence after the Parkland shooting.”

*~Rebecca Ball  
AP Government Teacher  
Pioneer High School*



## Durham Scholarship

**Michael Hwang**  
Pioneer High School

“Quincy is a remarkable young man. He is one of the most engaged and open-minded students I’ve ever met. He is a fabulous listener, has grown into a strong writer and critical thinker, and he is also someone who always gives those around him the benefit of the doubt.”

*~Teacher*

“[Quincy] was always the first one to volunteer to help, and always did so with a smile and good humor.”

*~Former Principal*



## Durham Scholarship

**Quincy D.  
Jenkins**  
Community High School



“During high school I have been active in clubs/organizations DECA; manager of school store and Rising Scholars; reading to elementary students and organizing Saturday School for students. I also have 145 volunteer hours as a camp counselor at Ann Arbor Rec and Ed. I enjoy being active by participating in bowling, cheerleading and track & field.”

*~JuJua McCrary*



## **Durham Scholarship**

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**JuJua McCrary**  
Huron High School

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**Thank You  
Scholarship Fund  
Partners!**





“Andrew has a great sense of humor and is genuinely kind to those around him. It has become evident in my interactions with Andrew that he has a caring heart for others and has the ability to see beyond himself.”

*~Martin J. Moreno  
Engineering Teacher  
Pioneer High School*



## Alex Tons Scholarship

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**Andrew Robert  
Barnes**  
Pioneer High School

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“[Juliana] wrote often about her belief in the importance of education, her concerns about the disparity in access to education around the world, and her desire to positively impact the lives of others. Juliana was able to demonstrate these beliefs through her interactions with her peers. She never held back in her support of other students, whether it was leading a formal group to accomplish a task, encouraging others to join a discussion so they could be heard, or offering to quiz and study with others she knew were struggling.”

*~Bret Trocchio  
English Department  
Pioneer High School*



## **Dorothy M. Russell Scholarship**

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**Juliana Fried**  
Pioneer High School

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“Madeleine is a young woman one can’t help but tell others about - she is wise beyond her years, a leader in the truest sense, and a valuable member of the Youth Council.”

*~Maryellen Ferro*

*Community Investment Officer*

*Ann Arbor Area Community Foundation*



## **Emilie Pfisterer Scholarship**

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**Madeleine Lee**  
Pioneer High School

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“What stands out to me about Clara is her ability to see a problem in our world and be brave enough to take action to solve the problem. This is a courageous, well-spoken young woman who readily uses her voice, her service and her time to help others. Her involvement in the Washtenaw Youth Initiative as an advocate and activist for gun control in our community was inspiring.”

~*Christine Woods*  
Counselor  
Pioneer High School



## **Evy Eugene Mavrellis Scholarship**

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**Clara Paz  
Nunez-Regueiro**  
Pioneer High School

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“How many Asian/British American breakdancing graphic poet/novelists do you know? I know one: Emma Pinnell. E., as I have come to know her, is a student that defies categorization and consistently exceeds expectations.”

*~Sean E. Sabo  
English Department  
Pioneer High School*



## **Iris Scholarship**

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**Emma Pinnell**  
Pioneer High School

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“If we needed to define "Positive and Enthusiastic Manner" just with a photo of a CHS student, I would certainly just show you a photo of Betoul.

Betoul wears a smile on her face virtually all of the time, and brings a smile to everyone she passes in the hall. She is always the first to lift her friends and peers up when they are down.”

~*Brian Williams*  
Counselor  
Community High School



## The Jill Award

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**Betoul Ajan**  
Community High School

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“The self-motivation, discipline, and maturity she displays every day in working with me are truly impressive. Every assignment is done cheerfully, thoroughly, and well. Aside from her academic achievements, Olivia is also one of the most mature and delightful students I have this year.”

~*William Finch*  
Teacher  
Huron High School



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## Joseph J. Keeley Scholarship

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**Olivia Figueroa**  
Huron High School

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“[Sam] does not grandstand, self promote or play coy. Of all her skills, talents and knowledge, she focuses only on what she wants to learn, what she does not yet know or has not yet read but eagerly wants to. She has the unfeigned humility and curiosity of a true scholar.”

*~Sean E. Sabo  
English Department  
Pioneer High School*



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## Kacee Cronk Scholarship

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**Sam Kass**  
Pioneer High School

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“The Kent Overbey philosophy for me, can be best described as one of his quotes, “Get the lead out”. The significance comes from his great attitude towards mental toughness that he has instilled in runners such as myself.”

*~James Cardwell*

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# Kent Overbey Scholarship

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**James  
Cardwell**  
Huron High School

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“Savannah is an intelligent, resourceful, and energetic student, who has impressed all of her teachers at Huron High School and earned great respect, admiration, and popularity among her student peers. Savannah is diligent, hard-working, and oozing with grit. [She has] outstanding skills as a writer, speaker, designer, and leader. . .”

*~Michael Sumerton  
Class Principal  
Huron High School*



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## **Lisa Ann Gallagher Scholarship**

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**Savannah Fort**  
Huron High School

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“[Aris] has an excellent ear and possesses a natural sensibility for jazz, and he displays melodic strength when improvising. He is also a good student of jazz theory, repertoire, and history. Aris is intrinsically motivated. He is insightful and inquisitive, asking intelligent questions and making sophisticated artistic discoveries. He is always ready to jam and shows no fear when it comes to sitting in with our professional guest artists.”

*~ Jack Wagner  
Jazz Program Director  
Community High School*



# **Rick Burgess Music Scholarship**

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**Aris Benjamin  
Chalin**

Community High School

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“What emerged was a portrait of a young woman unafraid to be herself, to stand before her peers and reveal her struggles and setbacks, to express her true feelings openly and eloquently. Passionate, relentlessly driven, funny and friendly, Vanessa made a lasting impression on all of us.”

*~Sean E. Sabo  
English Department  
Pioneer High School*



## **Robert E. Lewis Jr. Scholarship**

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**Vanessa Woolley**  
Pioneer High School

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“Jujua is hard working, determined, reliable, and an overall joy to be around.... She is an exemplary student, teammate, and friend.”

*~Niyah Battles  
Head Cheer Coach  
Huron High School*



## **Taylor Calhoun Sunshine Award**

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**JuJua McCrary**  
Huron High School

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“Sam has distinguished himself as one of the brightest young men in our learning community. He has an excellent work ethic and pushes himself to learn more with each task. Sam has demonstrated that he is intrinsically motivated to learn. And on a deeper level.”

*~Willamarie Scott, M. Ed.  
Teacher Consultant  
Skyline High School*




## **Yolanda Bell Scholarship**

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**Samuel Bailey**  
Skyline High School

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**Congratulations  
Scholarship Recipients!**