

## **Darrell Parks Student Scholarship & Workforce Award**

Annually, Ohio ACTE bestows up to two Darrell Parks Student Scholarship and Workforce Awards, offering \$1,000 each to support the educational or employment pursuits of career-technical graduates. In accordance with the wishes of Dr. Darrell Parks and his family, a committee comprising Ohio ACTE members will select the recipients for the 2025 scholarships.

**Eligibility extends to any student currently enrolled in a career-technical program set to graduate in 2026 and intending to further their education or embark on a career path.**

Dr. Darrell Parks, former Executive Director of the Ohio Association for Career and Technical Education (Ohio ACTE) and Career-Technical Education Director at the Ohio Department of Education, was a trailblazer in advancing vocational education and workforce development across Ohio. Throughout his distinguished career, Dr. Parks championed initiatives to connect education with industry needs, ensuring students gained practical, relevant training for successful careers. His visionary leadership and steadfast advocacy helped expand career and technical education opportunities statewide, empowering countless students to achieve fulfilling careers. Dr. Parks' legacy of innovation and commitment continues to inspire and shape Ohio's educational landscape, encouraging future generations to pursue their passions and contribute meaningfully to society.

Application Link: <https://form.jotform.com/260606122223039>