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Fund Provides Support for Local Students Entering College

BOILING SPRINGS, N.C. — The dream of leaving high school to enter college is about to become reality for nine local students thanks to the Joseph B. Freeman Jr. Educational Fund. Gardner-Webb University announced the names of this year's recipients, all Cleveland County high school seniors, during a presentation held in front of the Cleveland County Chamber in uptown Shelby, N.C., on May 21.

Established in 1991 by area business leaders, the Freeman Fund was named for the late Joseph B. Freeman, who was head of the Interstate Johnson Lane office in Shelby. Throughout his life, Freeman was a visible supporter of educational pursuits in Cleveland County. The fund provides scholarship assistance to Cleveland County high school students. The intent is to seek out students who qualify academically for college but whose unique situations might otherwise prevent them from attending.

Each recipient of the Freeman Fund was evaluated by his or her academic achievements, extracurricular activities, personal influences, and motivation, despite financial need. A committee of local business leaders and Gardner-Webb officials awards the scholarships after an evaluation process examines all candidates. The scholarship fund was established when several local business leaders recognized a need to assist students who excelled in these areas.



Watch Video At: <https://youtu.be/WDoNSlxU4KA>

Since the scholarship's inception, a Freeman recipient has enrolled each year at Gardner-Webb University. This year, at least three recipients plan to attend GWU.

2013 Freeman Scholarship Recipients:

Recipient/High School /University Attending/Anticipated Major

Chezney Baxter (SHS)–UNC-Greensboro; Pre-Med

Dustin Burgess (KMHS)–Western Carolina University; Forensic Science

Victoria Crance (BHS)–Lenior-Rhyne University; Occupational Therapy

Nicholas Hastings (CHS)–UNC-Chapel Hill; Psychology

Jordan Hollifield (KMHS); Wingate University; Biology/Pre-Veterinary

Marla Hoyle (CHS)–Gardner-Webb University; History

Cory Moses (CHS)–Gardner-Webb University; Spanish/Social Work

Janet Stewart (KMHS)–Gardner-Webb University; Nursing

Brittany Wilson (SHS)–Campbell University; Business Administration/Spanish

Located in Boiling Springs, N.C., Gardner-Webb University's purpose is to advance the Kingdom of God through Christian higher education by preparing graduates for professional and personal success, instilling in them a deep commitment to service and leadership, and equipping them for well-rounded lives of lasting impact, Pro Deo et Humanitate (For God and Humanity).