GUIDELINES FOR CREATING A NEW NAMED SCHOLARSHIP

SCHOLARSHIP FUND POLICIES
- **Fund Minimum**: A minimum gift of $30,000 is needed to endow a new named scholarship.
- **Award Minimum**: Scholarship awards must be $1,000 or more.
- **GWCF Application**: All applicants submit the GWCF scholarship application.
- **GWCF Selection**: A GWCF Selection Committee chooses the scholarship recipient.
  We are unable to include applicant interviews as part of the selection process.
- **Award Distribution**: Scholarships are sent in one payment to the student’s college or university, earmarked for the student. Checks are payable to the school.
- **Awarding**: No scholarships are awarded until the fund reaches the minimum balance.
- **Presentations**: We do not provide Award Certificates for high school presentations.

FIXED CRITERIA
All scholarship funds must adhere to these criteria:
- **Eligible Students**: Graduating high school seniors attending college in the upcoming fall Residence
  Home address within Worcester County

DONOR’S CHOICE CRITERIA
- **College Major**: Intended field of study
- **High School**: Specific high school attended
- **City or Town**: Specific place of residence within Worcester County
- **Academic Achievement**: ranking, standardized test scores, etc.
- **Involvement**: Sports, employment, school activities, community service, etc.
- **Affiliation**: Connection to a specific club or organization, church, etc.
- **Personal Background**: May include national heritage, ethnicity, survivor of illness, etc.
- **Financial Need**: Family’s ability to pay for college
- **College Limitation**: College choice cannot be a selection criterion. When students apply in March, most do not yet know where they will enroll. We confirm each student’s final college choice before we mail scholarship checks in July.

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