

Nichols Academy Marilyn T. and Gerald Fels Scholarship Greater Worcester Community Foundation

In 2001, Marilyn and Gerald Fels created this scholarship to help students from Webster and Dudley pursue higher education. Preference is given to those who will enroll at an academic institution in Worcester County.

Gerald Fels graduated from Nichols College in 1966 and earned an MBA from Babson College. In 1975, he became

Chief Financial Officer at The Commerce Group in Webster and went on to become the company's Chairman. Commerce was one of the largest insurance companies in Massachusetts and is now known as Mapfre USA.

Gerald has led Nichols College as Interim President, Chair of the Board of Trustees, and Treasurer of Nichols Academy. Gerald and Marilyn are strong community supporters, giving generously to numerous organizations, including the Webster Police Headquarters, the Chester C. Corwin Public Library, Community Cat Connection and the Webster-Dudley Boys & Girls Club. This scholarship is a further example of their deep commitment to the people of Webster and Dudley and their belief in the value of higher education.