

Grays Harbor College Foundation Announces \$450,000 in Scholarships

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ABERDEEN, Wash. - The Grays Harbor College Foundation will award approximately 240 scholarships for the coming school year, totaling more than \$450,000 donated by generous individuals and businesses connected to the Twin Harbors. Both the deserving students and their donors will be recognized at the College's annual awards event on Tuesday, May 21, at the Bishop Center. The total amount includes about \$80,000 allocated for 55 qualifying high school students graduating as World Class Scholars who plan on attending GHC. As middle-schoolers, students commit to graduating with a minimum 3.0 grade-point average from high school, plus compiling a portfolio documenting their activities and community service hours. Those meeting the requirements will be honored by the College Foundation with medallions presented at graduation time. Then those World Class Scholars enrolling at GHC will receive a partial tuition scholarship of \$1,500 for their first year at the College.

Also being honored at the May 21 event will be Workforce Education students who received the Hughes Tool Scholarships during the year just ending. These scholarships are generously funded by GHC alum Lawrence "Pat" Hughes and earmarked for vocational students to purchase necessary tools that they will use in their training programs and later on the job. Hughes plans on attending the ceremony and personally congratulating the recipients. He also donates very generously to the World Class Scholars program as well. "We really appreciate the overwhelming generosity of Mr. Hughes and our other donors who help GHC students realize their education dreams," comments College Foundation President Shelli Hopsecger. "Thank you to all who realize the value of education and how important education after high school has become." Registration for Fall Quarter 2013-14 is underway; for more information about programs at Grays Harbor College go to www.ghc.edu or call 360.532.9020. A few scholarships, unclaimed after the Spring awarding, are available in the Fall. To be included among the generous donors of the Grays Harbor College Foundation, click on jjorgens@ghc.edu, or call.360.538.4243.