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Gwinnett Federal Credit Union establishes first scholarship for Georgia Gwinnett College education majors

Lawrenceville, GA – Gwinnett Federal Credit Union has established an annual \$5,000 scholarship fund for Georgia Gwinnett College (GGC) students majoring in early childhood education, special education or another major leading to teacher certification.

“This is the first scholarship established at GGC that specifically benefits students within the School of Education,” said Cathy Moore, dean. “We are deeply appreciative of the Gwinnett Federal Credit Union’s generosity. An investment in education majors is unique in that it ensures an ongoing impact on the youth of our community, as our students will spend their careers teaching others.”

This also is the first scholarship established at GGC by a business in the financial services sector.

Representatives of Gwinnett Federal Credit Union, the college and the Gwinnett County community celebrated this gift at a Jan. 21 ceremony featuring the signing of the scholarship agreement.



Left to right: Dr. Frances E. Davis, Gwinnett County Public Schools Chief Human Resources Officer and Gwinnett Federal Board Member; Mrs. Kay Yetter, Chairperson, Gwinnett Federal Board of Directors and retired teacher; Marshall Boutwell, President & CEO of Gwinnett Federal Credit Union; Dr. Cathy Moore, GGC Dean of the School of Education; Dr. Daniel J. Kaufman, GGC President; & Dr. Gordon Harrison, GGC VP for Advancement/President of the GGC Foundation.

“Gwinnett Federal has a long standing commitment to supporting education. We currently fund \$58,500 in student and adult career scholarships in support of local school systems,” stated Marshall Boutwell, President & CEO of Gwinnett Federal Credit Union. “With the addition of Georgia Gwinnett College to the local landscape it was the logical and right thing for us to do.”

Students receiving the Gwinnett Federal Credit Union Scholarship must maintain full-time status and a specified minimum grade point average. The scholarship will cover full tuition and fees, and will be renewable for up to four years. Preference will be given to students who demonstrate financial need.

“As a young institution, we have a critical need for scholarships and other funds that support students, programs and other needs not funded through state budget, tuition or other forms of income,” said Gordon Harrison, president of the Georgia Gwinnett Foundation. “We applaud Gwinnett Federal Credit Union for being one of the first to pledge their support. It is through gifts such as this that Georgia Gwinnett College will become the model institution this community expects and deserves.”

More about Gwinnett Federal Credit Union

Gwinnett Federal Credit Union, with \$149 million in assets, serves 28,000 members in a five-county area. Operating as a not-for-profit financial cooperative owned by its members, it is operated with the purpose of promoting thrift through convenient, competitive savings opportunities and providing low cost loans to our members. For more information about Gwinnett Federal Credit Union, visit gwinnettfcu.org.

More about Georgia Gwinnett College

GGC is a four-year, accredited liberal arts college providing access to targeted baccalaureate degrees that meet economic development needs of the growing and diverse population of Gwinnett County and the northeast Atlanta metropolitan region. GGC opened its doors in August 2006 as the nation’s first four-year public college founded in the 21st century, and the first in Georgia in more than 100 years. Georgia Gwinnett produces contributing citizens and future leaders for Georgia and the nation. Its graduates are inspired to contribute to their local, state, nation and international communities and are prepared to anticipate and respond effectively to an uncertain and changing world. Visit Georgia Gwinnett College’s Web site at www.ggc.edu.